



Prayer Diary April 2024

“With thankful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God”

Philippians 4:6 [CEV]

Mon 1 st	The Horsham Churches Together leadership asks us to pray for those who have heard the gospel message through the town centre open air Good Friday service and through our Easter church services. Pray for further opportunities to speak the good news into the lives of people in our town.
Tue 2 nd	Let us especially pray this week for unity in our church following the BU decision on ministers’ accreditation conditions. Pray that we will be able to continue to show love to each other and be accepting of one another, especially of those who may think differently from ourselves.
Wed 3 rd	Praise God for the Baptist Mission Training Centre that has just sent out the first set of 18 trainees as outreach workers across Bangladesh. Give thanks for the training they have received and pray for them going to areas where the culture may be somewhat different from what they are used to. Pray that the Lynches will enjoy the visits from their family this month.
Thu 4 th	Give thanks for the small group of ladies who meet twice a month for Women’s Fellowship and for the encouragement they receive through attending it. Pray for their meeting this afternoon. Pray, too, for the art group who will meet this morning, many of whom are not regular church goers.
Fri 5 th	Give thanks for the many in our congregation who show care to those who need various kinds of help and encouragement. Pray for God to give us all pastoral hearts and to guide us to those who need our support.
Sat 6 th	Let us pray especially today for those who are in hospital or who are unwell at home. Pray for healing and that they may know God’s presence and love and the care of friends and family. Pray that any awaiting surgery or treatment will not have to wait too much longer.
Sun 7 th	Pray for those who will be involved in leading the service this morning and for those involved with BRBK. Pray that a good number of families will come and that they will be encouraged to come regularly so that they can learn how to grow in Christian maturity as families.
Mon 8 th	Pray for Life Community Baptist Church, who thank the Lord for opening the door for their pastor, Pete Dibdin, to serve as the Horsham Churches Together Development Co-ordinator. Pray for Peter as he takes on this role. Pray for the deacons as they meet this evening.
Tue 9 th	Let us give thanks with Cally for the financial provision that will enable the Eagle Project to buy a new car, to employ a social worker and keep the sessions in the youth prisons going for the whole year. Pray for God to continue to work in the lives of those who regularly attend the sessions.
Wed 10 th	Pray for the Zoom Prayer Meeting that will go ahead this evening – that the technology will work well for everyone and that God will guide our prayers.
Thu 11 th	Give thanks for the team involved in organising and cooking for the Lunch Club today and pray that those who come will be encouraged and perhaps challenged by the conversations around the tables and the message given after the lunch. Pray, too, for those with sight loss problems who will attend Craft Club after the lunch.
Fri 12 th	Pray for the Toy Library Easter Event being planned for today. Pray that a good number of families will come and participate and that they will get a real sense of what the significance of Easter really is all about.
Sat 13 th	At the end of April Saturday Kitchen will be closing for the summer. We have built up good, positive relationships with our families. Please pray that over the coming months we will find creative ways to keep in contact with them.
Sun 14 th	Pray for the group of young people who get together on a Sunday afternoon – that they will relate well together so that they can encourage one another on their faith journey. Pray for wisdom and energy for those who host them and plan the programme each week.
Mon 15 th	Give thanks for what PMA has meant to many people over the years and for the way Celia has led it for the last 10 years. Pray that God would lead us to the right person to lead PMA into the future, and that God would continue to prosper and bless this valuable work amongst older people in our community.

Tue 16 th	Give thanks for Karry and Tash who give of their time and energy to work in our church office each day, and pray for daily strength and wisdom for them to cope with all the many and varied tasks they are expected to accomplish. May they know just how much they are appreciated by all of us.
Wed 17 th	Recent discoveries in Nepal and India have shown that the leprosy bacillus is present in water, soil and amoeba in areas where communities are affected by the disease. Pray that the research teams will be able to find the significance of this for transmission of the disease.
Thu 18 th	Give thanks for the group of men who regularly attend the Men's Coffee Morning and pray for the session this morning.
Fri 19 th	Let us pray that the Lord will bring an end to the relentless campaign of violence against Christians in northern and central Nigeria. Pray particularly for pastors and other church leaders who are often targeted and yet are the ones trying to support those around them. Also pray for the many displaced from their home areas and living in difficult conditions.
Sat 20 th	Pray for the churches in the Gulu area of Uganda to get more involved in teaching the communities living around them about the damage the widespread tree-cutting is doing to the environment. Pray for the farmers to be more eager to plant and care for new trees. Pray, too, that this season's rain will come when it is needed.
Sun 21 st	Pray that all who attend the service this morning will be able to worship God from the heart and be able to hear what God is saying to us through the readings, hymns, the message etc.
Mon 22 nd	Give thanks for a new greenhouse and land space at Green Pastures Hospital in Nepal where leprosy patients will be taught safe farming skills. Pray for provision for more wheelchairs to provide for the increase in patients with spinal cord and traumatic brain injuries.
Tue 23 rd	Let us continue to pray for the Royal Family at this rather challenging time. Give thanks for Kate's bravery in going public with her cancer diagnosis and pray that she will be able to continue her treatment and recovery in peace. Pray that she will eventually be restored to full health and strength.
Wed 24 th	Let us pray for the Church Members' Meeting this evening, for a clear sense of unity and faith as we consider the best ways of moving forward together and realising God's purposes for us as a church.
Thu 25 th	Give thanks for SAT-7's ministry to isolated and persecuted Christians in the Middle East and North Africa. Pray especially for those preparing for and presenting programmes aimed at children living in areas of conflict and for wisdom for those responding to questions and comments from such children.
Fri 26 th	Give thanks for all those who contribute financially to the ministry of our church and have done so over many years. Pray that God will continue to provide what is needed and that he will guide the deacons as they make decisions concerning finances.
Sat 27 th	Let us pray today for our ministers - that God will continue to give them the strength and wisdom that they need for preparing for services, writing weekly messages and Bible notes, caring for the church family and for planning for the future. Pray that they will also have time for relaxing with family and friends.
Sun 28 th	Give thanks for the opportunity that our international group have for meeting together once a month to share experiences and challenges and to pray for one another. Praise God for their openness in sharing and for the obvious appreciation they have for being able to meet with one another. Pray that the meeting today will be an encouragement to all who attend.
Mon 29 th	Pray that the military's campaign of violence towards Christian and other minorities in Myanmar will cease and that the Lord will protect the displaced and suffering, enabling vital supplies to reach those in desperate need.
Tue 30 th	Give thanks for those willing to stand for election to the Horsham District Council and pray for God to guide in the election that will take place in a few days time. Pray that those voted in will be able to work well together and make decisions that will benefit the whole community. Pray for them to act with justice and integrity.