



## Prayer Diary August 2024

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

*Philippians 4:6 [CEV]*

Thu 1 <sup>st</sup>	Pray for all the new Members of Parliament getting used to their new roles and responsibilities. Pray that they will work together with integrity and justice and make decisions that will be for the good of the country. Pray for special wisdom and strength for the prime minister as he seeks to put his manifesto into practice.
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pray for the group of young people who will be at a Christian camp from today until 7 <sup>th</sup> August. Pray for safety in travel and that all the arrangements will go well. Pray that they will all enjoy the time away and learn many lessons that will influence the way they live their lives.
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nepal is having a very heavy monsoon season with landslides and floods causing buildings, vehicles and people to be destroyed, yet it is only the early part of the monsoon season. Pray for the Pokhara Christian Community's social action arm, who are working to deliver food and hygiene packages with tarpaulins and mattresses. Pray for plans to get relief to Western parts of Nepal.
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for those who will be leading the all-age interactive services that will be held each Sunday during this month. Pray too that all who attend, both young and not-so-young, will be inspired.
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks that King Charles has recovered enough to be able to take on Royal engagements again, including overseas tours. Pray for continued strength for him and the Queen and for the rest of the royal family.
Tue 6 <sup>th</sup>	Praise God for the families that have been contacted through the regular Toy Library meetings on Tuesday evenings and pray that good relationships can continue to be built. Pray especially today for the holiday event being put on by the Toy Library team at lunch time.
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Please pray for the family of Marshall, a young Christian father from Lahore, Pakistan, who was murdered by a group of gunmen, identified as local neighbours by his father. Marshall leaves a wife and four children, and was the sole family breadwinner. It seems that the attack was in response to a complaint Marshall made about the attackers' behaviour. Thank God that the police have arrested several of the gunmen. Pray that justice will be done and that the Lord will protect his people.
Thu 8 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks that the farmers in the training programme led by Genesis in northern Uganda are rejoicing in the hope of a good crop this year after good rains and as a result of putting into practice some of what they learned through the training. Thank God, too, for the increase in numbers of people attending church and pray that they will continue to learn from God's word.
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Today let us especially remember those in our fellowship who are frail or unwell and unable to come to church. Give thanks that at least some are able to join us on line and pray that they will receive a blessing through the services. Pray that any who feel isolated and lonely will be encouraged by visits and phone calls.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	Praise God for the work Tear Fund have been doing with the churches in Rwanda, helping thousands of people to realise their God-given potential to build a better future. They invite us to join in this prayer of thanks – Lord Jesus, we thank you that churches across Rwanda are hearing the Message and are committed to transforming their communities and the Nation. Amen.
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for those leading the service this morning and that all who attend will be blessed and challenged through the worship and through the Bible reading and preaching.
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for the young people who are awaiting exam results, that God will guide them as they consider their next steps. Pray for a good time of relaxation and restoration during the holiday period.
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	As the world struggles to re-set its IT systems after one fault entered it, with disastrous consequences, thank our loving Father that He provided His maker's re-set through Jesus to restore His perfect creation.
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks that the sessions run by the Eagle Project in the youth prisons in Brazil are going really well and that Cally's trip to UK for her brother's funeral also went well. Pray for Cally as she has to prepare lots of documents for the project's board meeting and in connection with the renewal of the partnership agreement for work in the prisons.

Thu 15 <sup>th</sup>	Pray that a good number of families will come to the playing outside event that the Toy Library team are organising in the car park this afternoon. Pray that it may lead to new families making contact and stronger relationships being built.
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the many who use our facilities regularly and for the relationships that have begun to be built with some of them. Pray that more friendships can develop and that some will seek closer involvement with the church.
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for any of our fellowship who are without regular work at the moment. Pray that those looking for work will be guided as to where to look for opportunities, and that they will soon find suitable positions.
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for all those who work behind the scenes to facilitate our Sunday services and other programmes held during the week. Pray that they will be encouraged and feel appreciated for what they do. Pray that God will make His presence felt through the service this morning.
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for those who will be setting up the rooms today for the Holiday at Home that will take place on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday this week. Pray for all those preparing to be involved as helpers and for all the guests as they look forward to three days of 'Holiday'.
Tue 20 <sup>th</sup>	Pray that the transport arrangements will work well this week so that all the Holiday at Home guests can arrive and return safely each day. Pray today for the kitchen team and for those who will give a short message after the meal each day.
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	Pray for John Milne, the new Lib Dem MP for Horsham, that he will be given the necessary strength and wisdom to fulfil his demanding role. Pray that he will be supported by the local community and that he will be able to make decisions that will be for their good.
Thu 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Pray for strength and wisdom for all those involved with the various activities that will be organised today and tomorrow and for the participants to be blessed and encouraged by the interactions they will have with each other.
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Pray that the Holiday at Home guests will feel God's love and care for them in a special way today and that their experience of enjoying time with others will have a continuing effect through the rest of the summer.
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for the ongoing planning of the Toddler group which is starting in September. Give thanks for the team planning to be involved and pray that it will attract a good number of new families.
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Thank God for the work of Turning Tides as they seek to help the homeless in our area to find suitable places to live and to help rebuild lives. Pray for those living in Roffey Place at the moment, that they will find the help they need.
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks that contacts have been kept up with some of the families who came regularly to Saturday Kitchen. Pray for those planning for the next sessions and also pray that a couple more people will volunteer to be part of a team once a month.
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the work of Horsham Matters as they run food banks and help struggling families in other ways. Pray that they will continue to receive sufficient donations to meet the growing need.
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for the leaders of the various house groups as they plan for their next series of studies. Pray that they will be guided as to what to study and how to encourage the members of their group. Pray that others will be willing to lead new groups so that more people can join a group.
Thu 29 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for any of our children who will be starting school for the first time very soon and for those who will be changing schools. Pray that they will settle down quickly and find good friends.
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for the last of the Toy Library holiday events planned for lunchtime today. Pray that the families who come will be led to seek closer involvement with church and want to find out more about the Christian message it proclaims.
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	Pray for the Horsham Churches together Worship and Prayer event to be held in Horsham Park at 5pm on September 8 <sup>th</sup> . Pray that a good number will gather, that it will be a time of blessing for all and that it will attract some who are not regular church goers.