



Prayer Diary December 2024

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

Philippians 4:6 [CEV]

Sun 1 st	Pray for Anaia Hogg as she is baptised this morning. Thank God for the way he has been working in her life and pray that he will give her strength and courage to face future challenges. Give thanks that a number of our young people are considering baptism, and pray for them in the weeks ahead that this may be a step in faith they are able to make.
Mon 2 nd	Pray for the PMA carol singing afternoon to go well and that the various readings will be a good reminder of the true message of Christmas. Give thanks for the committee and for the way they are able to work together so well, and pray that this can continue.
Tue 3 rd	Pray for Claire Bedford now back in Chad after her home assignment. Pray for daily strength to cope with all the many challenges she faces each day and that she will have opportunities for relaxing with friends. Pray for the hospital chaplains to be able to make use of the Christmas season to share the Gospel story with patients and those who accompany them.
Wed 4 th	Pray for the group who plan to go carol singing in the streets around the church this evening – for the singers and for those who will talk to people and invite them to come to our Christmas events. Pray for a good number to listen and be reminded of the true message of Christmas.
Thu 5 th	Give thanks for the group of ladies who meet regularly for Women’s Fellowship and pray for the meeting this afternoon when Tim will be speaking to them.
Fri 6 th	Give thanks for those of our fellowship , whether they are part of the recognised pastoral team or not, who take time to visit those in hospital, those not well, those in care homes and others who need support in various ways. Pray that ways may be found for this ministry to continue in a good way during the time we will be without a senior pastor.
Sat 7 th	Praise God for the positive response so far to Saturday Kitchen, and pray that it will continue to go well. Give thanks that connection has been made again with some families from last year and that new ones have been welcomed. Pray too that a good number will come for the Film afternoon today and will receive a welcome that will encourage them to come to other Christmas events.
Sun 8 th	Please pray for the BRBK club on Sunday mornings - for the children and their families to experience the love and grace of God, and the team members to receive wisdom, strength and joy as they serve.
Mon 9 th	Pray for newly appointed deacons as they take up their positions at the beginning of the year. And for all the deacons - for discernment, wisdom and strength in Christ as they plan for a new year without Tim. Pray for God to guide them in their discussions and decision making as they meet this evening.
Tue 10 th	The BRBC Soundwaves Christmas broadcast is in the hands of the radio stations. Pray that nothing will stop them broadcasting it and that the listeners will be drawn closer to God through it.
Wed 11 th	Give thanks for the many opportunities there are for groups to pray together and pray that we will all be prepared to give time for praying for the future ministry of the church. Pray for God to guide our prayers at the Zoom church prayer meeting this evening.
Thu 12 th	Pray for the Christmas lunch club to go well today. It will be preceded by a 30 minute carol service so pray that the true message of Christmas will be clear to all through it. Pray that the conversations around the tables will continue to emphasise the true reason for the season.
Fri 13 th	Pray that The Leprosy Mission’s vocational education programme will be able to reach out to young people affected by leprosy to provide skills training and employment. Pray also that companies and institutions will come forward to support this life changing initiative.
Sat 14 th	Pray for the joint event – a Nativity Lunch - which Saturday Kitchen and the Toy Library have planned for lunch time today. Pray also for the Carols in the Carfax programme organised by Horsham Churches Together. Pray that a good number will join and that some will respond to the Christmas message that will be given.
Sun 15 th	Pray for the Christingle service this morning, to which the cubs and scouts have been invited. Give thanks for the work of the Children's Society, which we will be supporting with our gifts this morning, and pray for them to be able to help more children.

Mon 16 th	Pray for Tim and Sue as they will soon leave Horsham to begin a new ministry in Durham. Pray for God to bless their last weeks with us to and guide them as they prepare for their big move.
Tue 17 th	Pray for the Baby & Toddlers group as it breaks for the Christmas period and starts up again in the new year. Pray that the numbers attending will increase and that good relationships with families will be formed.
Wed 18 th	Pray for Michael Hogg as he copes with the changes that Tim's leaving will have on his ministry, at least in the short term. Pray that he will be able to continue the ministry to which he feels God has called him without being too over-burdened with expectations due to the absence of a senior minister.
Thu 19 th	Please pray for the " <i>Arise Africa</i> " campaign being organised by Open Doors which is aiming to raise global awareness of the extreme and targeted violence facing millions of Christians in sub-Saharan Africa. Pray that governments, the media and churches worldwide will be receptive and responsive to this urgent issue, and recognise the crucial role that they can and need to play in bringing about real and lasting change.
Fri 20 th	Pray for God to guide all those involved in the process of finding someone to replace Tim and in planning for our services, pastoral care and other activities until a replacement is found.
Sat 21 st	Pray for the Alpha course that is planned for Tuesday mornings in January and pray that those we come into contact with over Christmas might take up the invitation to come.
Sun 22 nd	Pray for all who will be involved in the Christmas services today and pray that some who would not normally come to church will decide to come and that they will be encouraged to come again. Pray that the Carols by Candlelight service will go well and be a blessing to many.
Mon 23 rd	Let us pray especially for any who are not well at this Christmas time, those in hospital and any who will be lonely and spending Christmas on their own.
Tue 24 th	Pray that a good number will be able to join the Midnight communion this evening and that they will experience a special Christmas blessing. Pray for our office staff to have a good Christmas celebration and a good time of rest and relaxation during the holiday.
Wed 25 th	Give thanks for the opportunities Christmas provides to share the news that God sent Jesus into the world to open a way for us to have eternal life. Pray that the special service this morning will be a real time of joy and celebration.
Thu 26 th	Pray for our families with young children as they continue to celebrate the Christmas season together. Pray that they will be guided as they make arrangements for the rest of the school Christmas break.
Fri 27 th	Pray for Genesis as the 2 year programme of training farmers comes to an end and as he begins the training with another group of 100 households in a different area of Northern Uganda. Pray that those who have completed the training will continue to put into practice what they learned and that those beginning will benefit greatly from the training.
Sat 28 th	Pray for the individual members of the BRBC Youth Group and their leaders as they meet on Sundays at 4pm - for ongoing prayerful encouragement and support and effective discipleship of young lives to cope with a changing world.
Sun 29 th	Pray especially for Tim & Sue as they say farewell on the final Sunday of 2024 and pray for them as they move up to Durham and begin a new season of service.
Mon 30 th	Pray for the diaconate and church as a whole as we enter 2025 in an interregnum. Pray for God's special guidance during our times of prayer and fasting, discussion and discernment.
Tue 31 st	Give thanks for the many answers to prayer we have experienced during the past year and pray for God's continued blessing as we begin the new year and the many challenges it will bring.