



Prayer Diary January 2025

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

Philippians 4:6 [CEV]

Wed 1 st	As we praise God for his care and blessings during the past year, let us be confident that he will continue to care for us and bless us during this new year. Let us pray that we will keep faithful and continue to trust in him at all times especially as 2025 will be a year of challenge and change for our church. Let us each earnestly seek God's leading, collectively and individually, as we move into the new year and begin our search for a new minister.
Thu 2 nd	Pray for Tim and Sue as they will soon move to Durham, where Tim will start his new job at Cranmer Hall. Pray that God will give them the strength and wisdom they will need for coping with the transition and that God will give them new friends to help them settle into life in a new area.
Fri 3 rd	Let us pray for those in our fellowship who are unwell, in hospital or undergoing treatment that they will be conscious of God's love and care and of the support of family and friends. Pray too for those for whom Christmas was a difficult time.
Sat 4 th	Let us pray that peace may return to areas of the world where 2024 was a year of conflict. Pray for those involved in seeking ways of encouraging those involved in fighting to make peace.
Sun 5 th	Pray for all those who will be taking part in the service today. Give thanks for those who do so much behind the scenes to enhance our worship and pray that God will bless them in a special way this morning. Pray for God to guide our prayers for the future of our church at the meeting this evening.
Mon 6 th	Please pray for our church administrators as they return today after a much deserved Christmas break.
Tue 7 th	Pray for our young people returning to school, college or university after the Christmas break. Pray that God will help them with their studies and encourage them to keep trusting him for guidance in their lives.
Wed 8 th	Give thanks for the many opportunities there are for praying together with others and pray that any who do not have a group to pray with will soon find one. Pray that God will guide our prayers at the Zoom church prayer meeting this evening.
Thu 9 th	Please pray for Syria and its people. Assad has been ousted, but a power vacuum has been created and the future is very uncertain, albeit with some optimism that things may change for the better. Especially remember the Christian community in the days ahead, that they will be free to worship and that their witness will be a beacon of light and hope to those who have endured so much over the past decade or more.
Fri 10 th	Let us pray for Ken Carter as he takes on the challenging role of Church Secretary at this, perhaps rather unsettling, time of change. Pray that God will give him the wisdom and support he will need to do all that will need doing as well as keep up with family and work responsibilities.
Sat 11 th	Saturday Kitchen resumes today. Pray for the team running it and that those who come will find a welcome and a safe place to play and socialise. Pray that relationships can be formed that will lead to the gospel message being shared with them.
Sun 12 th	Pray for the BRBK team, especially as Michael will have extra responsibilities on a Sunday. Pray there will be enough helpers to enable it to keep going in a good way and pray that a good number of families will attend regularly.
Mon 13 th	Pray for the deacons meeting this evening. Andy Twilley, Regional Minister, will be present to advise as plans are made as we begin an interregnum. Pray, too, for the first session of PMA this year and for Michael as he will be speaking on the verse chosen for the year – Ps. 46:1.
Tue 14 th	Babies and Toddlers starts again today. Pray that a good number will come and that they will feel welcomed and encouraged to come regularly. Pray for relationships to be formed with families so that closer ties can be developed.
Wed 15 th	Pray for the Open Doors World Watch List 2025 launch in the UK Parliament. Pray that every MP receiving an invitation hears directly from the persecuted church and that the crisis of Christian persecution remains a priority for the UK government.

Thu 16 th	Give thanks for the group of young people who meet every Sunday afternoon. Pray that they will be encouraged by the friendships formed and teaching given. Pray that any who have been thinking about being baptised will be encouraged to take the step.
Fri 17 th	Pray for the pastoral team as they have their first meeting without Tim this morning. Pray that they will be able to share the load and continue to find ways of looking after those who need extra care and support.
Sat 18 th	Pray for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity being organised through Horsham Churches Together that begins today. The theme this year is "Do you believe this?" and the content is being prepared by the ecumenical community at Bose in Northern Italy. Pray that a good number will take part and that God will bless the gatherings.
Sun 19 th	Pray for the United Service being held at St. Mary's Church. Pray for guidance for those who will be leading and for a good number to attend.
Mon 20 th	Pray for the Bible translation teams working in the Guera area of Chad. Give thanks for the New Testaments that are now available and being used and pray for the teams who are beginning work on the Old Testament. Pray for the teams working in the areas where there are no known Christians.
Tue 21 st	Give thanks for supporters' gifts and prayers helping disadvantaged Nepalis break free from the poverty and suffering of the past year. Pray for INF Nepal as they help with food and hygiene kits after monsoon flooding, training women in better farming or business skills and providing hospital treatment for medical problems.
Wed 22 nd	Give thanks for the good relationships that have been built with many who use our building for various activities during the week. Pray that some of these relationships will lead to opportunities for sharing the gospel message.
Thu 23 rd	Pray for the Listen and Pray session that will be held tomorrow morning. Pray that a good number will gather and that those who meet may meet with God as they reflect on His Word and hear what he might have to say.
Fri 24 th	Pray for Peter and Louise Lynch now on home assignment after quite a stressful few months in Bangladesh. Pray that they will be able to enjoy time with friends and family as well as share news with their supporting churches. Pray for God to bless the meeting with them at BRBC this evening.
Sat 25 th	Pray for the deacons as they will meet for their Away Day. Pray that God will meet with them in a special way and guide them as they plan for the way ahead for our church.
Sun 26 th	Today is World Leprosy Day. Please pray for all leprosy sufferers but especially for those who live in leprosy colonies. Many have been abandoned by their families and rejected by society. Pray that the Lord will surround them with his love and peace. May they know they are not forgotten or alone.
Mon 27 th	Give thanks for those who host Coffee, Cake and Company each Monday morning and for the encouragement those who come get from the conversations that take place. Pray for those who will come this morning to experience something of God's love and care.
Tue 28 th	Pray for the Alpha course that starts today. Pray that the new group might feel welcome and together look forward to learning about Jesus. Pray for strength and wisdom for those leading it.
Wed 29 th	Give thanks for the House Groups that meet regularly to study God's word and to pray for each other. Pray for the leaders as they start new sessions of study and pray that all who attend will be blessed. Pray that other groups can be formed to enable more people to join.
Thu 30 th	Give thanks for the Horsham District Council members and for the service they give to the town and surrounding area. Pray that they will continue to be able to work well together and make decisions that will benefit the whole community.
Fri 31 st	Especially as decisions need to be made concerning finding a replacement for Tim, let us pray that we will be a church who will eagerly call on God and come and pray to him, earnestly seeking Him and His leading in all that we seek to do together and for his Kingdom.