



Prayer Diary April, 2023

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

Philippians 4:6 [CEV]

Sat 1 st	Let us continue to pray for those affected by the earthquake that devastated parts of Turkey and Syria recently. Pray for those left homeless and without means of livelihood, and for those seeking to bring them relief. Pray, too, for the producers and presenters of SAT 7 TURK as they prepare programmes that speak into the situation, and for those responding to questions and comments sent in.
Sun 2 nd	Pray for those who will be leading the all-age Palm Sunday service this morning and also pray that all will be able to worship with joy as did those who waved palm branches to welcome Jesus as he entered Jerusalem.
Mon 3 rd	Please pray for good health for Playschool staff, children and all their families through the Easter holidays and into next term.
Tue 4 th	Pray that our teachers will be able to have a good and restful break during the Easter holidays and that they will be able to return to work feeling refreshed and strengthened for the new term.
Wed 5 th	Pray for Noor, a member of a Bible Translation team located in Ethiopia, who is off work because of a mental breakdown, probably caused by the trauma he experienced in his home country some years ago because of his becoming a Christian. His house was burnt down and his wife and children taken away from him. Pray for healing for him and for the rest of the team now working without him.
Thu 6 th	Pray that the church Easter Broadcast will make an impact and remind listeners what the celebration is all about, wherever in the world they may be and that those picking up a copy at the church will share them with their friends. Pray for the Maundy Thursday service to be held at BRBC this evening.
Fri 7 th	Good Friday. Let us take time today to remember what Christ did for us by giving His life on the cross so that we might be forgiven. Let us also pray for the special services that will be held at BRBC and at other churches in the town today and also for the special Good Friday service to be held in the Carfax this morning.
Sat 8 th	Pray for our families during the time the children are on Easter break – that they will be able to make wise decisions about how to spend their time and energy. Pray that they will be able to find ways of celebrating the reason for the season.
Sun 9 th	Let us praise God today for what happened on the first Easter Sunday when Jesus was raised from death to bring us new life. Pray that the Big Breakfast will be a good time of reconnecting with one another and enjoying fellowship. Pray that the special Easter service will bring glory to God and be an encouragement and challenge to all who attend.
Mon 10 th	Give thanks for the households that Genesis was able to help to improve their farming practices during this past year in Uganda and pray for guidance as 100 additional households are to be invited to join the project during this next session. Pray that rain may come at the appropriate time for the crops to yield a good harvest.
Tue 11 th	Pray especially today for those of our fellowship who are unwell in hospital, those who are recovering from surgery and for those who are awaiting surgery or treatment. Pray that they and their families will experience God’s comfort and love in a special way. Pray, too, that those caring for loved ones in difficult circumstances will get the support they need.
Wed 12 th	Let us pray again today for Ukrainian refugees both here in UK and scattered in many other places in Europe and beyond. Pray for wisdom and courage for those seeking to bring peace. Pray that we will be guided in our praying at the on-line prayer meeting this evening.
Thu 13 th	Pray for the Women’s Fellowship meeting this afternoon and for Carol Mansfield bringing them Easter reflections. Pray, too, for those who will be attending lunch club and craft club today. As more people are wanting to join, pray that sufficient drivers will be available to bring them to the church.
Fri 14 th	Give thanks that, by God’s enabling, the various National Leprosy missions have been able to hold the hands of those affected during their ailing and uncertain times. This not just for treatment, but with interventions that make them financially independent, socially integrated and with restored self worth.

Sat 15 th	Give thanks for the families taking advantage of Saturday Kitchen each week and for the volunteers who make the programme possible. Pray that any other families who would benefit from it will hear about it and come. Pray for continuing good relationships.
Sun 16 th	Pray for God's guidance for the team who plan for, prepare for and take part in our regular Sunday morning services. Give thanks for those who serve in various ways to make our gathering for worship possible – the AV team, the worship team, those who arrange the chairs etc. etc.
Mon 17 th	Pray for PMA this afternoon as it restarts after the Easter break. Give thanks for the committee who work so hard to make people feel welcome and show Christ's love in action. Give thanks for several new people coming regularly and pray for those who have yet to respond to the gospel message will soon do so. Pray, too, for the Deacons meeting this evening.
Tue 18 th	Over 30,000 Eritreans are currently imprisoned without charge or trial in makeshift detention centres where torture is rife and access to food, drinkable water and medical treatment is minimal. Many are prisoners of conscience. Pray for the release of all captives (Psalm 107: 16).
Wed 19 th	Cally asks us to pray for the boys who have participated in past sessions in the Sao Paulo prisons and have been released. It is such a battle for them to leave crime and get jobs that pay hardly anything - the temptation to continue in crime and particularly drug trafficking is great. Pray for the 2 boys the team were helping to resettle but for whom plans have not worked out as hoped.
Thu 20 th	In Eastern Africa four years of drought have caused poverty and hunger to around 18 million people in rural areas throughout Somalia, Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda. Let us pray today for Tear Fund's work enabling local churches and their partners, including Anglican Development Services, as they seek to bring relief to people in greatest need.
Fri 21 st	Give thanks that a team is coming together to make plans for a Holiday at Home in August. Pray for guidance as plans are made and pray that the right people will be available to take on the various necessary roles. Pray specifically for the team meeting this afternoon to further plans.
Sat 22 nd	Give thanks for Horsham Matters and other organisations seeking to help those struggling to cope with the rising cost of living. Pray that they will receive enough donations to help those who need to access food banks to feed their families.
Sun 23 rd	Praise God for the team leading BRBK most Sunday mornings and for the families who regularly participate. Pray that the session this morning will go well and that a good number of families will come.
Mon 24 th	Give thanks for those who give of their time on a Monday morning to provide coffee, cake and company to those who come seeking a warm welcome and a chance to share with others. Pray that those who come this morning will be blessed by the conversations that will take place.
Tue 25 th	Pray for the INF staff providing a patient support programme in Nepal. They are now seeking a house in which patients can be cared for.
Wed 26 th	Pray for Prabakhar Salvi and those working with him in remote areas of rural India to bring the Gospel message to places where it is not known and to improve living conditions. Give thanks for the new churches that have been planted and pray for the success of further outreach programmes.
Thu 27 th	Pray for our young people away at college or university. Especially pray for those facing important exams this term and for guidance for those who need to make important decisions about future plans. Pray, too, for those who will be taking important school exams during this coming term.
Fri 28 th	Give thanks for those responsible for leading the various house groups/life groups linked to our church and pray for guidance for them as they decide on future plans. Pray that any who are not yet involved in a group will be able to join one soon.
Sat 29 th	Pray for the King and the Queen Consort as they prepare for the Coronation on May 6 th . Pray that they will be able to enter into it prepared to keep to the vows of service to God and country that they will be making.
Sun 30 th	Pray for the group of young folk who meet each Sunday afternoon to enjoy fellowship, share experiences and challenges and learn from God's word. Pray that they will be encouraged to grow in Christian maturity.