



## Prayer Diary June, 2023

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

*Philippians 4:6 [CEV]*

Thu 1 <sup>st</sup>	Pray for the newly constituted Horsham District Council since the recent election. Pray particularly for any new members to find their place quickly and be able to contribute in a positive way. Pray for decisions to be made for the good of the community and with openness and integrity.
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pray for any of our fellowship who are unwell at the moment, or who are awaiting surgery or treatment. Pray for those who would love to join in the Sunday services but who, through age and/or infirmity, are not able to leave their home. Give thanks that many are able to participate on Zoom.
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Let us continue to pray for Sudan. Since hostilities broke out between warring factions a month ago Sudan has become a warzone, with more than 1,000 killed (mostly civilians), and nearly 200,000 crossing into neighbouring countries. The refugees, many of whom are in South Sudan, are living in open ground and are in desperate need of food, water and shelter.
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for the all-age service that will take place this morning. Pray for those who will lead it and for all to feel part of it. Pray that a good number of families will come.
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the continuing good attendance at PMA and pray for God to reveal Himself to those who do not yet know what it is to have a personal relationship with Him through Christ. Pray for today's meeting, when they expect to hear about the Mission to Seafarers.
Tue 6 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for the Alpha course which begins this evening. Pray for Julie and the team leading it and that there will be a good group participating.
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the number of groups who use our building regularly for various activities. Pray that there will be ways of building relationships with some who come so that they can be encouraged to have closer links with the church.
Thu 8 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for all who will attend Lunch Club today, that God will bless each one through the welcome they receive and through the conversations that will take place around the tables. Praise God for the volunteers who give of their time each month to prepare the meal, transport people to and from church and help in other ways.
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks that plans are beginning to come together for the Holiday at Home that will take place in August. Pray for continuing guidance, especially through the planning meeting that will be held today.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for extra strength and energy for Claire Bedford as the very hot season has arrived in Chad. Give thanks for the new solar power system in the hospital that has much reduced the time the noisy generator needs to run. Pray for peace for Claire in the midst of all the personnel changes and changes in government requirements.
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the group of young folk who will be meeting this afternoon. Pray that they will enjoy their time together and that they will be able to encourage one another in their Christian walk.
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for those who have committed themselves to serving as Deacons this year and pray that God will guide them as they discuss various issues concerning the way forward for the church and help in many other ways. Pray specifically for their monthly meeting that will be held this evening.
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	With Tear Fund let us celebrate successes in Malawi, where climate change is causing declining harvests and increasing costs of fertilisers. Farmers are being encouraged to produce natural fertilisers from locally sourced ingredients; one farmer says they work even better than fertilisers from the shop. Thank God for all the small advances that make so much difference to the quality of life for families in Malawi and many other parts in Africa.
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the opportunities there are for praying with and for one another and pray that all will be able to take advantage of such opportunities. Pray that God will bless the church prayer meeting that will take place by Zoom this evening.
Thu 15 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the Turning Tides organisation that has taken over Roffey Place as a temporary residence for the homeless and as a centre for the homeless to be given all kinds of help and guidance. Pray that those who have recently moved in will find the help they need to eventually be able to live independently again.

Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	Leprosy is a neglected disease and the people affected are often neglected. Give thanks for the policy makers across the world that have made the issue of leprosy an important part of their work. May God bless this work and inspire more policy makers to do likewise.
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the families who have been coming regularly to take advantage of Saturday Kitchen and give thanks for the volunteers who have been giving of their time and energy to serve them. Pray for guidance as to future planning.
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Pray that all who attend the worship service this morning will be able to worship God sincerely from their hearts. Give thanks for all who contribute time and effort into organising and making our services possible. Pray for the gaps where volunteers are needed to be filled soon.
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	Let us pray today for Peter and Louise Lynch who are just beginning their short home assignment. Pray that they will be able to rest and relax and spend time with family and friends as well as engage in a busy schedule of sharing about their work in Bangladesh at various places around the country. (One of them is due to join us at BRBC on 16 <sup>th</sup> July.)
Tue 20 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks today for the work of the Eagle Project in the prisons of Sao Paolo. Pray that the boys who attend the various groups will be helped to find training opportunities and jobs when they are released. Pray particularly for A. and P. beginning specific training courses at the moment.
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	Pray for Sean in his role as Community Programmes Director for INF Nepal. He has said, "As Jesus called and treated a beggar with honour, so He calls me to follow Him and walk alongside vulnerable people as we focus on transformational frontiers that will bring sustainability, equity, justice, dignity and self worth among the poor."
Thu 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Give thanks for the group of ladies who meet every two weeks for the Women's Fellowship. Pray today for Lyn Woroniki as she will be telling the group about the work of the Oasis trust. Give thanks, also, for the trust and for all they do in relation to pregnancy issues.
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Pray for Playschool as they draw near to the end of their final term. Pray for the staff to find alternative employment opportunities and the children needing continuing day care to find alternative placements. Pray, too, for the children as they have visits to the primary schools they will attend in September.
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	Praise God that rains have come in Uganda to help the first crop sown this year to grow well. Give thanks for the 102 new households chosen from a new area to be given training with BMS worker, Genesis, that will enable them to improve their methods and yields. Pray that they will greatly benefit from the training and that there will be opportunities to spread the message of the Gospel as well.
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Praise God for the team giving time and energy to prepare for and lead BRBK most Sundays and for the families who regularly come. Pray that more families will be encouraged to join. Pray for God to bless the session that will be held this morning.
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for those who come each Monday morning to serve coffee and cake to people who come to find friendship and listening ears. Pray that God will guide the conversations and use them to make His love and care known.
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for our young people who will be completing courses of study at university or college soon, that God will guide them as to their next steps. Pray, too, for any who will be going away for university for the first time after the summer.
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	Give thanks for the various food banks and other projects existing in our area to help those struggling to feed their families in these days of continuing rising food prices. Pray that there will be enough donations of food etc. to meet the increasing need.
Thu 29 <sup>th</sup>	Let us pray today especially for those who used to be busy looking after others in various ways in our church but who are now living in care homes and need to be looked after by others. Pray that they may be conscious of God's continuing love for them and the love of family and friends. Pray, too, for those working in care homes.
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>	Let us pray today for teachers and teachers' assistants who are coming to the end of a challenging academic year. Pray for strength and energy for the remaining weeks of term and pray for guidance as they make plans for the summer break.