

## Viewfield Baptist Church - Prayer Diary April 2017

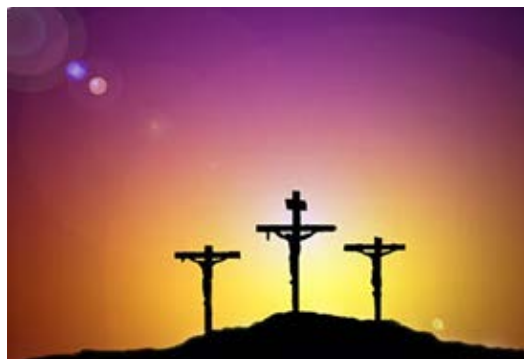
<b>Mondays</b>	<b>Cubs, Deacons (17<sup>th</sup>), Vacancy Group (24<sup>th</sup>)</b>
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Toddlers, Beavers</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>WF, Small Groups, Church Meeting (5<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm) Easter Reflection (12<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm)</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>Toddlers, Knit &amp; Natter, Scouts, Band Practice</b>
<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>Men's Breakfast (8am - 8<sup>th</sup>)</b>
<b>Sundays</b>	<b>11am Worship &amp; Communion - 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> 11am Worship – 30<sup>th</sup>; 6:30pm Communion – 30<sup>th</sup></b>



God made you and God made me,  
He made the world for us to see.  
God loves you and long ago,  
He sent his Son to tell us so.

Jesus showed us many things,  
To love and share and dance and sing.  
To learn and pray, to help and care,  
He promised he'd always be there.

He died but then came back to life,  
Let's celebrate for he's alive!



Lord God,  
You sent your Son into the world,  
And before his hour had come,  
He washed his disciples' feet.  
You had given all things into his hands.  
He had come from you, and was going  
to you,  
And what did he do?  
He knelt down on the floor,  
And washed his friends' feet.  
He was their teacher and their Lord,  
Yet he washed their feet.

Comment by David Kerrigan

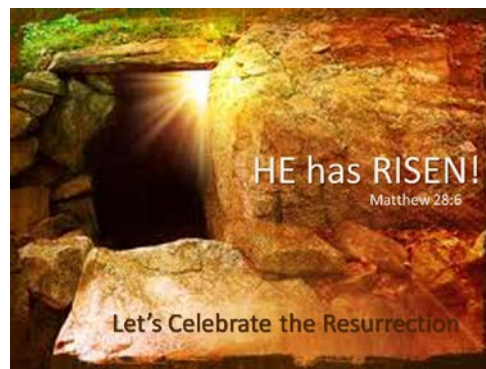
- General Director of BMS World Mission

*In this season of Lent, we have the opportunity to do three things.*

*Firstly, to walk with God's people.*

*Secondly, as we do around the world, so too in our own country we are called to be evangelists, to invite men and women to come to Jesus and receive the salvation he offers. It's a free gift, but one that has to be accepted.*

*Thirdly, pray that in the UK and in the countries where BMS World Mission works, abundant signs of transformation will be plain for all to see.*



Lord God, help us learn from his example;  
Help us to do as he has done for us.  
The world will know we are his disciples  
If we love one another.  
Strengthen our hands and our wills for love  
And for service.  
Keep before our eyes the image of your Son,  
Who, being God, became a Servant for our sake.  
All glory be to him who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.  
Amen

## **Prayer for God's World – BMS World Mission**

- Please pray for Dr Kang-San Tan who will take up the role of BMS General Director after David Kerrigan retires from the role in the summer.
- Pray for the Church in Peru and the BMS personnel involved in supporting the leadership and training of pastors in Lima and Iquitos.
- The Church in Tunisia is growing. Pray for the BMS partners helping emerging leadership to be bold and wise as they serve the Church and nation.
- Pray for the Church in France seeking to make the love of Christ known. Remember BMS families in France, the Hallidays, the Judkins and the Wilsons. Pray for Christine Kling, one of our BMS partners, who is sharing her time between the local church in Massy and the French Baptists' national office

## **Scotland/UK (using some material from Pray for Scotland)**

*Please pray for all the Easter Services, activities, SU Holidays and Missions and the Passion Play in Edinburgh. Also, pray that as people roll eggs and eat chocolate, the wonderful message of the empty tomb would become real.*

At this early stage in the BREXIT process, please pray:

- for Theresa May, the UK Government and officials – especially those directly involved in the negotiations – for their protection, health and energy, and for wisdom and integrity in all they do;
- for those negotiating on behalf of the European Union, in the same way;
- that, despite all the predictions of how complex and difficult the negotiations will be, that they will turn out to be surprisingly straightforward;
- that on both sides, the negotiations would be carried out in a civil, positive manner – without harsh words or disruptive behaviour;
- for Nicola Sturgeon and the Scottish Government – that they will contribute positively to the process for the benefit of all of Scotland, and through that for the UK as well.

## **Viewfield**

Give thanks for:

- the Church profile which is available to potential pastors to look at.
- Children's Church and Shapes
- Tuesday and Thursday Toddlers
- Knit and Natter

Please pray for:

- the Vacancy Group: Jenny Turvey, Anne Macmillan, Gillian Downey, Ronnie Campbell, Alistair McKinlay, Pete Hutchison, Catriona Sinclair, Evelyn Stewart, Hamish Dick, Jo Albrock, Joe Fisher and Joyce Cooper
- wisdom as they meet with potential pastors
- that we would wait patiently for the Lord's timing
- for Joe Fisher as he organises pulpit supply and for those involved in planning services.
- Pray for the services: 2<sup>nd</sup> – Judy White, 9<sup>th</sup> – Brian McCarthy, 16<sup>th</sup> – Pete Hutchison, 23<sup>rd</sup> – Ken Naquin, 30<sup>th</sup> – Georgette Short / Ruth Box