

PRAYER DIARY – MAY 2017

Prayer points for 1-6 May taken from BMS 24:7 Partners prayer card

Mon 1 May	Pray for pioneering BMS church planters in countries like Thailand and France. Pray that BMS will be able to share the gospel with 500,000 people by 2020. Pray for those known to you who have lost someone they love.
Tues 2 May	Enabling people to access a good education is key to the development of communities and nations. Pray for BMS' work enhancing access to education for thousands. Give thanks for our education system and pray for teachers.
Wed 3 May	Pray for BMS-supported legal professionals in Mozambique and Uganda, as they advocate for the voiceless and vulnerable. Pray for Bethany Christian Trust and their work with vulnerable people.
Thurs 4 May	Pray for the 100,000 people BMS wants to help develop sustainable livelihoods. Pray that this work will have life-changing impacts for impoverished communities. Pray for the local government elections taking place today.
Fri 5 May	Pray for BMS workers training people in palliative care in Tunisia and in maternal healthcare in Afghanistan. Pray that BMS will reach its goal of enabling 100,000 people to access critical healthcare. Give thanks for our NHS and pray for all NHS employees.
Sat 6 May	BMS are training Christian leaders in countries such as Lebanon, the Netherlands and Peru. Pray that BMS will empower strong and effective indigenous leaders. Pray for the Deacons and others involved in leadership roles.
Sun 7 May	11.00am Worship and Communion. Speaker – Anthony Luxton. Pray that we will meet with the Lord as we meet with one another. Pray for the French Presidential election taking place today.
Mon 8 May	Pray for the Coffee Shop volunteers as they meet and make friends with the customers every week. Give thanks for the children and young people who are involved in Beavers, Cubs and Scouts.
Tue 9 May	Give thanks for all those who come along to the Toddler Groups on Tuesday and Thursday each week. Pray for those known to us who may experience loneliness.
Wed 10 May	Pray for those who attend Small Groups, and for those who might like to be in a group but have not yet been able to join. Pray for those affected by the political turmoil in Venezuela.
Thurs 11 May	Pray for the musicians and singers as they meet to worship and practice together through practice.
Fri 12 May	Give thanks that the world's first vaccine against Malaria will be introduced in Ghana, Kenya and Malawi in 2018.
Sat 13 May	Men's Breakfast: Pray for those meeting for breakfast, study and prayer. Pray for the vast number of refugees scattered throughout Europe, particularly those fleeing war in Syria.
Sun 14 May	11.00am Worship and Communion. Speaker – Judy White. Give thanks for our refurbished building, and for the improved accessibility and flexibility this has given us in the past year. PRAISE THE LORD!

	“Remove the heavy yoke of oppression... Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon.” Isaiah 58:9-10 (NLT)
Mon 15 May	Pray for the Deacons as they meet for prayer, discussion and planning. Pray for the people and government of North Korea.
Tues 16 May	As we seek to discover the Lord's vision for our future together, pray that he will open our eyes and unstop our ears to see and hear him.
Wed 17 May	Pray for the WF members as they enjoy their Spring/Summer break and for the WF Committee as they plan for the next session in the Autumn.
Thurs 18 May	Pray for the leaders of Tuesday and Thursday Toddlers as they offer friendship to those who attend. Pray for the young people who attend Scouts.
Fri 19 May	Pray for the witness of the volunteers who staff the Sanctuary Café every Wednesday and Friday, as they welcome and befriend those who visit. Pray for the people and government of Turkey following the recent referendum.
Sat 20 May	Pray for those caught up in the continuing violence in Afghanistan and Iraq and for those suffering because of the drought and conflict in Africa.
Sun 21 May	11.00am Worship and Communion. Speaker – Brian Stanley. Give thanks for those who have been willing to preach - opening God's Word to us - each week.
Mon 22 May	Pray for the Cub and Scout leaders and for the children and young people. Pray for the Vacancy Group as they work on our behalf.
Tues 23 May	Pray for the candidates standing in the forthcoming General Election, and for the political parties involved.
Wed 24 May	Pray for small group leaders, and for the development of more groups so that more people will be enabled to be involved. Pray for our children and young people as they complete the Summer Term.
Thurs 25 May	Give thanks for all those who come along to Knit and Natter, and for all the fun and caring that takes place.
Fri 26 May	Pray for the media as they report on the forthcoming General Election. Pray that news reports will be honest and unbiased.
Sat 27 May	Alison and Jon's Wedding: Pray for Alison and Jon as they celebrate this special day. Pray also for family and friends, that the day will be a time of joy and rich blessing for all.
Sun 28 May	11.00am Worship. Speaker – Alex Brown: 6.30pm Communion Pray for Children's Church and SHAPES – those who lead and those who attend. PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW.
Mon 29 May	Give thanks for the organisations which make use of our premises throughout the week, and for all those who have made use of the refurbished Sanctuary during the past year.
Tues 30 May	Pray for the children who attend Beavers, and for the families represented. Pray for the many refugee unaccompanied children throughout Europe who are at risk of exploitation.
Wed 31 May	Pray for WF members as they keep in touch with one another over the Summer. Continue in prayer for the Vacancy Group as they seek the Lord's leading.