

Weekly Prayer Diary

9th October 2020



And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father.

Colossians 3:17

- Our Leaders will next meet on Monday 19th October in the evening.
 - Please pray for the deacons as they discuss and make decisions about the way forward.
 - As there is a change in who is on the diaconate, please pray that they may work well together.
- The Office Bearers and staff meet most **Tuesday** mornings for prayer. The admin team meet to primarily discuss the day to day functioning of the Church. Please pray for them in this important task.
- As we continue to see a rise in coronavirus cases:
 - Please pray that the new restrictions put in place would help stem the rise in cases.
 - for our country's leaders and advisors in Westminster and Holyrood that they would seek God's wisdom as they make decisions
 - (from Gavin Calver – eauk.org) We need to pray for ourselves, for our own rest and wellbeing, coming to God in our times of tiredness and challenge. Let us pray for our leaders, that they may have wisdom and courage as they help us navigate these circumstances. Let us also pray for those around us, those in our neighbourhoods, workplaces, hospital waiting rooms and shopping line.
- Alpha on-line (alpha.org). We are proposing to have alpha online January 2021, please prayer for our community, neighbours, friends and family that we might consider who to invite this.
- Scripture Union Scotland (suscotland.org.uk) have been able to organise Day Camps over the October break.
 - Give thanks that the latest restrictions have not stopped these going ahead
 - Pray for the 120+ young people booked to come on the 10th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th and 19th October that they will be kept safe, have lots of fun and learn more about God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- Baptist World Alliance (baptistworld.org). Please pray for churches ministering to Nicaraguan refugees who have fled to Costa Rica in search of economic stability.
- Please pray that there will be leaders in the Lebanon who can bring the country through the issues of currency collapse, the Beirut explosion and the Coronavirus. Give thanks for the Christian agencies bringing relief.

A Prayer for Justice

Hear, O God, the cries of your oppressed people.

It is a fight between good and evil,
between justice and injustice.

Lord, make your light shine upon us,
and guide us by your Spirit,

for we are cast down, but not defeated,
afflicted, but not in despair.

This is not a fight against flesh and blood,
but against principalities,
against powers,

against the hosts of evil in heavenly places.

Come, Lord, free us from the yoke of oppression
that has been laid upon us!

It is as if we were in a dark tunnel,
but we know that in your light we shall see light.

Do not leave us in the hands of our enemies,
who have joined against us,
all those who selfishly seek their own good
and act violently, trampling over their neighbours,
so as to reach their goals.
They thus hate justice,
they wish to devour us, destroy us,
day and night they are plotting evil.

Why do you tarry, Lord, in making your power felt?

They put their trust in money,
in influence, in bribery...

But we, Lord, put our trust in you,
our salvation comes from you.

May those who desire evil for us
be confounded and put to shame.

Amen.

(Mendelson Dávila Amaya, Nicaragua)

If you have any suggestions for what we could be praying for then please email: - or phone David Stewart on 01383 860476.