



Weekly Prayer Diary – 21st May 2021

The poor will eat and be satisfied. All who seek the LORD will praise him. Their hearts will rejoice with everlasting joy – Psalm 22:26



- Please pray for the first year students at **Tilsley College**, including Jenny, who are currently on placement.
- Give thanks for the way that all the students have coped with all the changes this academic year.
- The college will not be taking on new students next academic year whilst they look at how best to equip people. As well as the pandemic bringing a different way of working, Brexit has meant that EU students cannot come for as long as previously. Pray for Georgette and the other staff as they seek guidance for the future and as they then implement changes which may mean a lot of work for the staff rewriting and/or adapting courses.



Praying for our World

Please continue to pray for India and for its neighbours China, Pakistan, Bhutan, Myanmar, Afghanistan, Nepal and Bangladesh. Some have seen an increase in Covid cases and deaths, other haven't as yet. For instance in Nepal a variant of COVID-19 is spreading at a rapid pace, leaving Nepal with a higher per capita mortality rate than India. Please pray for protection from further spread and for healing for those battling the virus.

Please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East.

There are many situations around the world which have disappeared from our news but still desperately require our prayers. A few are highlighted below.

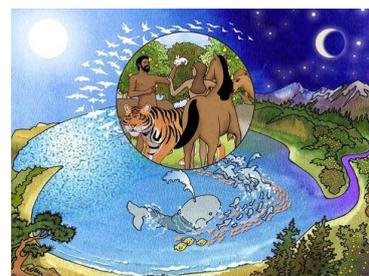
Monday 15th March 2021 marked the tenth anniversary of the conflict in Syria.

Sadly like many other places, the people of Syria have been used as pawns in

someone else's game. The violence continues and the country faces the added challenge of Coronavirus. Pray for peace and for those suffering and displaced. Since the outbreak of war in Syria, the number of Christians living there has plummeted. Our brothers and sisters have been slaughtered, slain and forced to flee from danger and abject poverty. Please pray that Syrian Christians in their homeland as well as those who were forced to flee will be buoyed by God's love. Pray that peace and political stability will prevail in Syria. Please pray for conditions of security and economic conditions, allowing those who were displaced to return, and for existing Christian communities to thrive. Please pray that the Christian community in Syria will strengthen and flourish immensely (Middle East Concern - MEC - meconcern.org)



In Nigeria the Indian coronavirus variant has turned up but a much greater issue in Nigeria is security incidents and concern around the country. Please pray for peace and security in Nigeria, for wisdom and proactivity for its leaders, and for God's people to keep trusting in him. Praise God for a good start to the rainy season, and pray that farmers will be able to tend their land in safety. Please pray for G&K who are involved in Bible Translation. They are having to take on some major responsibilities whilst also moving house and looking after their children as school holidays start shortly and last for 10 weeks.



On the 11-13 June, the UK is hosting the Group of Seven (G7) summit in Cornwall. Praying for this summit and for world leaders who have the power to set in motion significant action to tackle the climate crisis.



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- Give thanks for Michael's baptism last week, Stevie's a fortnight ago and Sophie's 3 weeks ago. Pray for Rosemary who is getting baptised this Sunday. Pray for them all to be protected and pray that whether people are watching in person or hearing about the baptisms later, that they will be challenged by Sophie, Stevie's, Michael's and Rosemary's steps of faith.
- Give thanks for all those who came to the Children's and Youth Group events that took place last Sunday afternoon.
- Pray for the family service which is due to take place on Sunday afternoon 30th May.
- Give thanks for the CAP Money Course which finished on Thursday.
- Pray for the next **Church meeting** which will be on Wednesday 23rd June at 7:30pm, which will include Deacons' elections.
- Give thanks for the newly refurbished kitchen that is ready to be used by the Drop-in and other ministries.



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We have put up a "Try Praying" banner over our old front entrance and a box on the fence which contains the "Try Praying" booklets. Give thanks that there seems to have been a steady uplift of the Try Praying booklets. Please pray that as the shops open and more people pass that they will take a booklet and use it to "Try Praying" and as they do may they have an encounter with God. Please also pray that people will also be challenged to "Try Praying" by seeing the banner, other publicity or finding the website.

The Drop-in will start on the Tuesday 1st of June.

Give thanks for so many volunteers who are committed to serving in this ministry: Adam Adamson, Bert Connon, Brian McCarthy (reserve), Sandy Mclean, Christine Pennells, Gill Cochrane, Jim Saunders, Margaret Leiper, Mick Albrock, Nena Albrock, plus 4 others. Please pray for confidence and preparedness for them



- Give thanks for all those who are contributing financially, both from within Viewfield and our wider community, to this ministry; that they would be blessed and feel that they are central to all that will happen from week to week.
- Pray for Jo Albrock as she heads up this ministry.
- Pray for all the practical arrangements.
- Pray for safety for guests, volunteers and staff as we interact even under current restrictions and guidance.
- Especially pray for those who will be our guests, that they will be sustained materially, physically, emotionally and spiritually.
- Give thanks for Dunfermline Advice Hub, Dunfermline Street Pastors and Dunfermline Foodbank as they continue their own work in our community and as they have offered to promote the work of our drop-in.
- Give God all the glory and thanks that He is working in our community to bring Christians and people of goodwill together to bless and bring light.

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