



Weekly Prayer Diary – 17th September 2021

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Please pray for:

CAP (Christians Against Poverty)

- Please pray for Duncan Christie as he takes on the role of Community Links Coordinator with the Dunfermline CAP Debt Centre from October.
- Please pray for the arrangements for the CAP Money course, possibly face to face in November, and for more volunteers to train as CAP Money Coaches to lead or help deliver the course.

Drop-in – open each Tuesday between 12 and 2pm

Give thanks for:

- the wonderful, encouraging and patient volunteers and for all those who are faithfully praying for this ministry
- all those who have been inviting folk to come - pray that this will bear fruit in God's perfect timing.

Please pray:

- that what we are telling people will bear fruit through this ministry.
- that as a church we will have wisdom about how to best promote the drop-in.
- for the email sent to Sam's Café, SAMH (Scottish Association for Mental Health) to tell them about the Drop-in, Craft & Chatter and Knit & Natter, so that we might be another place that vulnerable people can feel 'safe' to visit.

Toddlers – Thursdays @ 10am

- Give thanks for the different families that have been coming along, some of whom have never been before.
- Please pray for the families with little or no other Church connections, that we will be friendly and welcoming to them. Pray that the Bible story time and Christian songs will continue to be well received and will have an impact on the families

Open Church

Please pray for the Open Church team as they set up a rota and check everything is in place so that they can restart.

Coffee Shop

The Coffee Shop has not been in operation since last year, pray for the team as they discern the way forward.

Deacons and Ministry Leaders

- The Deacons are having a "Vision" meeting on Saturday (17th). Please pray for them as they seek God's leading on the way forward for the Church.
- The next regular Deacons' meeting will be on Monday 20th of September at 7pm. Please pray for wisdom and discernment as they discuss together.
- Please pray for all Ministry Leaders as they consider the "shape" of the ministry that they are leading and when would be right time to start/re-start.

Brew and Blether

- Please pray for this potential new ministry which would be a monthly coffee & cake meet-up, primarily aimed at those who feel isolated and haven't been able to get out during lockdown.

Prayer Course – Thursdays on Zoom for 8 weeks (to take part contact office@viewfield.org.uk)

- Give thanks for the opportunity to explore what Prayer is all about and pray for Ramonne as he co-ordinates this.

Future plans and projects to reach out into our community:

Please pray for wisdom and guidance for those involved with these initiatives.

- **Soft Play** - we are beginning to think about Soft Play etc in more detail and will be having a meeting soon to get this up and running again. (Ramone will be joining the meetings over his placement period)
- **Community Cafe** - Work in progress to identify how we proceed

Monday 4th October @ 7pm – Community Outreach Prayer Time (Zoom) more information from: cop@viewfield.org.uk

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Please pray for our medical and social care staff as they deal with the on-going pandemic and other stresses on the healthcare system. Many are exhausted, there are staff shortages, and a number are having to regularly work beyond their contracted hours and don't feel valued in general by their employer.

We give thanks that the UK government is making more money available for the NHS, please pray that it will be used wisely and that it will be possible to recruit and train more staff who are on the frontline such as paramedics, nurses, midwives, auxiliaries, call handlers etc.

We give thanks for the successful rollout of the vaccines and the number of lives saved - please pray for continued protection on those who are vulnerable.



A Prayer for Courage

O God,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
set our hearts on fire with a new love for Christ and for one another.
Renew our desires and labours to serve others.
We seek healing from division, poverty and injustice in all parts of the world.
We long for life which is full and free.
Give us the courage to take risks to build a highway in the desert and let us find protection under the shadow of your wings.
Amen.
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Please pray for Nigeria

Pray for protection from the ongoing attacks by terrorist groups in both northern Nigeria and the Middle Belt that continue to cause loss of life and communal devastation.



Answer to Prayer - Nepal

Prayer was asked several months ago for the provision of oxygen supplies in Nepal. The situation was desperate; Nepal is landlocked and relies on India for trade and supplies, but India was facing a similar surge of coronavirus cases and didn't have any surplus oxygen. Tear Fund's local partner was able to source oxygen concentrators, which helped many people in Nepal recover from coronavirus. Praise God.

Myanmar

In Myanmar, the National Unity Government – made up of previously elected officials – have called for people in the country to attack the military, who have been in charge since the coup in February. There is a fear this will lead to even more violence. Pray for an immediate decrease of tensions, for the safety of the people of Myanmar and for a peaceful return to democratic rule.

Christians in Parliament, christiansinparliament.org.uk met two days before the cabinet reshuffle and the theme of their service was 'hope in waiting'. Their worship was based on Psalm 86. With this in mind we can base our prayers for the new and established cabinet members on that psalm:

'Father among the gods, there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours. You created every nation and have a purpose for each one. You created these islands and raised up leaders through generations. We lift today's leaders to You and pray that each one will bring glory to Your name. Teach each cabinet member Your way forward, help those who are in new offices to humbly learn and quickly grow into the new role you have prepared for them. Lord, inspire their decisions. May the Christians in Parliament continually have Your insights as they rely on You to do marvelous deeds in the coming months and years.'



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