

SUNDAY 30 August 2015

Family Fun Afternoon in Gloucester Park today: Lord, may Your Holy Spirit energise & empower our people & we pray You gather & send the people to us who You want to hear our message of Your love for them & Your promise of abundant life. Send the sun, send the people!

MONDAY 31 August 2015

Heaven above is softer blue, earth around is sweeter green; something lives in every hue, Christless eyes have never seen; birds with gladder songs o'erflow, flowers with deeper beauties shine, since I know, as now I know, I am His & He is mine. *SASB545vv2*. Hallelujah!

TUESDAY 01 September 2015

The big collection: Energise & enthuse us, Lord, that we may cheer the public. We are not just another charity on the scrounge because we have Your divine purpose to 'do something' for the neediest & lost. Bless us, bless the public response & bless the collection!

WEDNESDAY 02 September 2015

Your words, Lord, brought creation into being. Your words throughout the Bible achieved their purpose & did immense good. Stifle our own inadequate words, Lord - give us Your words to say, & only Your words.

THURSDAY 03 September 2015

The Corps programme is restarting after the Summer break. We pray for it & bring it to You to use it for Your glory. May our Corps activities be Your tool & our means of bringing people to You by way of outreach &/or as a way of nurture for all of us to improve our discipleship.

FRIDAY 04 September 2015

The new academic year brings change & new surroundings for many. Be with all students we pray. May our own children be 'salt & light' in such a way that school & college are influenced for the better to Your glory.

SATURDAY 05 September 2015

Thank You, Lord, that You came not to judge but to acquit, not to condemn but to pardon. Thank You for seeing us as we are, with all our faults & weaknesses, yet loving us just the same & refusing to write us off. Teach us, in turn, to see the good in others &, in whatever way we can, to help bring out their best. *Nick Fawcett*.

SUNDAY 06 September 2015

As we meet (whether in person or linked by prayer) we pray for true worship in Your presence. In spirit & truth we pray You 'search me, O God, & know my heart; test me & know my thoughts. Point out anything that offends You, & lead me along the path of everlasting life.' *Ps139:23,24*.

MONDAY 07 September 2015

Beauty for brokenness, Hope for despair, Lord, in Your suffering world this is our prayer: bread for the children, justice, joy, peace; sunrise to sunset, Your Kingdom increase! ... *Graham Kendrick, 2015 SASB 998v1*.

TUESDAY 08 September 2015

Lord, we believe Your holy purpose for TSA is the saving of souls, growing saints & serving suffering humanity; so we pray You bless our outreach efforts by equipping our Corps folk for engaging with friend & stranger alike to communicate Your Gospel in the power of Your Holy Spirit.

WEDNESDAY 09 September 2015

Saved to Serve: We are like the prodigal who realising he was lost offered to serve his Father; amazingly he was received with joy & treated as one of the family. Yes, Lord, there's sometimes tears in serving You but there is far more joy, fulfilment & blessings. Hallelujah!

THURSDAY 10 September 2015

Create in me the purest of hearts, according to Your unflinching love. Renew a steadfast spirit within & wash away my sin. & make me like the snow, but even whiter still. I just want to have a pure heart. ...

FRIDAY 11 September 2015

... I'm clay within the Potter's hand where tenderness meets discipline. I need it all, Lord, come & form Your holiness in me. & make me like the snow, but even whiter still. I just want to have a pure heart. *Matt Redman, SoF1211*.

SATURDAY 12 September 2015

Jesus Christ the pioneer & perfecter of our faith; the beginning & the end; the tiny atom & the vast universe; the one & the many; the birth & the death; the seed & the harvest; the quest & the discovery; the promise & the fulfilment; the silence & the Word; Jesus Christ the Alpha & the Omega, who is & was & is to come: Life forevermore! Amen. *Cole & Tilson*.

SUNDAY 13 September 2015

Loving Lord, when we are far off You see us & run in welcome to us; when we panic & start sinking Your arms are quick to hold us up; when we are lost & straying You never stop searching till You find us. So we come to worship You, our Good Shepherd & Saviour.

MONDAY 14 September 2015

Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills, work for the craftsman, trade for their skills; land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak, voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak. ... *Graham Kendrick, 2015 SASB 998v2*.

TUESDAY 15 September 2015

We pray You bless our musicians as they devote their time, talents & hearts to You; enrich & harmonise their fellowship & may Your Holy Spirit add power & soul-winning effect to their music.

WEDNESDAY 16 September 2015

This month Slovenia has become the 127th country in which TSA has Work. This Work is among the Roma people who are marginalised so, as ever, it will be challenging. We pray knowing it cannot be done without You but also realising Your glory shines in the hardness.

THURSDAY 17 September 2015

The United Nations reports that 59.5 million people in the world are refugees, internally displaced or seeking asylum - & half the refugees are children. Lord, we pray into this asking You to provide immediate relief & also the deeper cures into the root causes of this misery.

FRIDAY 18 September 2015

Lord, we gain hope knowing it's in Your very nature to feel for those in distress & long to help them. We bring to You all are finding life chaotic, bewildering & hopeless praying they will find care & shelter under Your wings. &, Lord, forgive us when we fail to pass on to others Your love.

SATURDAY 19 September 2015

Paul writes (*Philippians1:9-11*) "& this is my prayer: that your love may abound more & more in knowledge & depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best & may be pure & blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory of God." Fit us for mission, Lord.

SUNDAY 20 September 2015

Lord, we are The Salvation Army called to spread the Gospel, to challenge evil & do something to oppose it. Our Army forebears called this the 'salvation war'. Your purpose or Your weapons have not changed over time - equip us for mission, teach us to fight using love & prayer.

MONDAY 21 September 2015

God of the poor, friend of the weak, give us compassion we pray: melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain; come, change our love from a spark to a flame.
Graham Kendrick, 2015 SASB 998 chorus.

TUESDAY 22 September 2015

"We have faithfully preached the truth. God's power has been working in us. We have righteousness as our weapon, both to attack & defend ourselves." *2Cor6:7*. Lord help to live holy lives so Your Holy Spirit is not quenched - fit us for mission, we pray.

WEDNESDAY 23 September 2015

"One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." *Matt4:4*. Lord, let me not hunger so much that I steal or become embittered by envy nor try to live by bread alone.

THURSDAY 24 September 2015

Lord, let me hunger enough that I do not forget the world's hunger. Let me hunger enough that I may have bread to share. Let me hunger enough that I may long for the bread of heaven. Lord, let me hunger enough that I may be filled.

FRIDAY 25 September 2015

"You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance. The wilderness becomes a lush pasture & the hillsides blossom with joy. The meadows are clothed with flocks of sheep & the valleys are carpeted with grain." *Psalms65:11-13*.

SATURDAY 26 September 2015

"When I fed them, they were satisfied; when they were satisfied, they became proud; then they forgot me." *Hosea13:6 (NIV2011)*. Lord, in this Harvest season, we thank You profoundly; only You, Creator of everything, can provide. Only You can provide the increase that multiplies the single seed in bare ground into a plentiful crop. Only You can prosper & feed the nation.

SUNDAY 27 September 2015

Human Trafficking, TSA day of prayer: Lord, bless our 'We Will Not Be Silent' campaign. The victims' plight is: "... This is a people plundered & looted, all of them trapped in pits or hidden away in prisons. They have become plunder with no one to rescue them" *..Isaiah 42:22*.

MONDAY 28 September 2015

The Soup Run: We thank You for the (mainly young) Corps folk who care enough for those really needy people in the city to make time to turn out & help them on Monday evenings. Lord, we add our prayers to those on the Soup Run for the people they serve for Your sake.

TUESDAY 29 September 2015

Lord of the Harvest, we bring You the fruits of our labours, our joys, our disappointments, our achievements & our failures - accept our imperfections & in humility we plead You work in us that we may do better. Lord of the Harvest, we pray You bring us safe home.

WEDNESDAY 30 September 2015

God of the good soil, root us deep. God of the green fields, cultivate us. God of the weather, protect & nurture us. God of the turning years, bring us to fruit. God of the harvest, bless us & keep us.
From Ruth Burgess.

THURSDAY 01 October 2015

God, Creator, Preserver & Governor of all we give You the praise & glory for all You provide for us. We acknowledge that You are the creator of all wealth, we pray for the unselfish courage to share it. Help us to be good & wise stewards of Your provision.

FRIDAY: 02 October 2015

Be in our shopping habits, Lord. We know it is good to be prudent with our money & avoid waste but help us be aware that the best deal for us may well be to another's hardship. Guide us to be economical & wise yet caring & unselfish for others.

SATURDAY 03 October 2015

As You once said, Lord Jesus, the poor are always with us. Some are poor by choice, some by their foolishness, some by calamity, & many by the greed & indifference of the comfortable. Bless the work of Your Church & others who are trying to help whether it be the emergency gift or the more sustainable 'hand up' approach or even the campaigning for social justice.



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PRAYER CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2015



THIS MONTH'S CORPS FOLK TO PRAY FOR:-

Rosemary Baldwin
Brenda Sambrook
Cliff Matthews
Alan Pitt
Kathy Harrison
Iris Clay (Maj)
Graeme Brand
Rhianon Norman
Derrick Horlick
Dave West