



PRAYING ALWAYS

Matthew 6:9-13: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. (NKJV)

- 1 ☐ **OUR FATHER:** Pray for a deeper understanding of the Father's love. For God's presence to be known in the church. To love as we are loved. Ask for an opportunity to show God's love to someone.
- 2 ☐ **OUR FATHER:** Pray for the Methodist Connexion, for wisdom and renewal, especially the decisions to be made at the conference. For the President and Vice President, Methodist Council and Chairs of District. Pray for godly and wise leadership, locally and nationally.
- 3 ☐ **OUR FATHER:** Pray for families in the church (your own and others), who stand in need. Pray for the fathers in your church.
- 4 ☐ **OUR FATHER:** Pray for the family of God across the country. For unity of purpose and heart with our sister churches who also know God as Father. Pray for other churches and fellowships in your area.
- 5 ☐ **OUR FATHER:** Look up the words of 'The Father's Song' and rejoice in being his child. Pray for those you know who are serving on the mission field.
- 6 ☐ **IN HEAVEN:** Heaven is our true home, it is also the place of ultimate authority. Psalms 46:10: 'Be still and know that I am God.' Ask for heaven's agenda in your life.
- 7 ☐ **IN HEAVEN:** Pray for a deep desire for God, his presence, his wisdom, his ways and his love to be known in our lives is the first step in growth. If there is no desire for the things of God, there is no change. Pray for a deepening desire for God and ask guidance for the next step.
- 8 ☐ **IN HEAVEN:** Read Revelation 19-21 and allow the vision of heaven to guide your prayers.
- 9 ☐ **HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME:** Begin your time of prayer by honouring God in praise and worship. Read Isaiah 6:9. Pray for your Ministers and Local Preachers to 'hallow his name.'
- 10 ☐ **HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME:** Write down as many names of God as you can remember. Then rejoice in the strength, promise and love of those names.
- 11 ☐ **YOUR KINGDOM COME. YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN:** Pray for the government, the Brexit negotiations, the future of our nation and revival of God's church.
- 12 ☐ **YOUR KINGDOM COME. YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN:** Seek forgiveness for excusing unholiness in our life and in our church life (personally, locally, nationally, internationally).
- 13 ☐ **YOUR KINGDOM COME. YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN:** Seek forgiveness for not seeking God's presence in our worship and lives - for thinking we can do it on our own.
- 14 ☐ Look over your family and church and pray: **'YOUR KINGDOM COME. YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.'**
- 15 ☐ **YOUR KINGDOM COME. YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN:** Ask for God's kingdom agenda in your life and write down what you think he wants you to do.
- 16 ☐ **GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD:** Bring your own family, brothers, sisters, parents, children, cousins, nephews, nieces and grandchildren before the throne of grace.
- 17 ☐ **GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD:** Pray for all caring mission and outreach events in your own District (street pastors, food banks, Christians Against Poverty, and all local initiatives).
- 18 ☐ **GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD:** Pray for the local government, social workers, teachers, police, armed forces, firefighters, nurses and doctors.
- 19 ☐ **GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD:** What decisions are you making? Pray for guidance. Pray also for our local church council and leadership teams.
- 20 ☐ **AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS:** Read 1 Chronicles 7:14. Then pray slowly through the verse remembering, 'Before we can pray we must first humble ourselves.' 'The proud he knows from afar' (Psalm 138:3).

- 21 ☐ **AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS:** After we pray we must turn from our wicked ways, seek God through confession and repentance, for yourself, your church and the national church.
- 22 ☐ **AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTS:** Is there a deep wound in your heart? Give it to God; forgive and seek his cleansing and forgiveness.
- 23 ☐ **AND DO NOT LEAD US INTO TEMPTATION:** 'Be at war with your vices, and at peace with your neighbours.' Benjamin Franklin. Do not excuse sin, but repent of sin.
- 24 ☐ **AND DO NOT LEAD US INTO TEMPTATION:** Remember God will not lead us to do anything contrary to his written Word. Pray for scriptural holiness in our churches.
- 25 ☐ **BUT DELIVER US FROM THE EVIL ONE:** The presence of God's Spirit overcomes the plans of the evil one. Seek God's presence in worship.
- 26 ☐ **BUT DELIVER US FROM THE EVIL ONE:** Pray again for Brexit and deliverance, for our nation to stand for righteousness.
- 27 ☐ **FOR YOURS IS THE KINGDOM:** At its best the church is an outpost of the kingdom, at worst, a holy club.
- 28 ☐ **FOR YOURS IS THE KINGDOM:** Look up the following songs and give praise to God: 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God,' 'O worship the King,' 'Reign in me.'
- 29 ☐ **AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY:** Pray for a revelation of the power and glory of God. Ask for opportunities to reveal his presence to others.
- 30 ☐ **FOREVER:** It has been said 'eternity is a long time;' but time does not enter into it, eternity is to be linked with the eternal one. Seek the touch of the eternal Spirit now. Deeper - higher - further.
- 31 ☐ **AMEN:** Look up a song or hymn that focuses on 'Amen' and sing God's praise.

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DEVELOPMENT WORKER FUTURE APPOINTMENTS

May

2, 9. Bible Studies, Queen Hall, Wigan
5. LP and WL Training, Brownhills and Willenhall Circuit
6. Heath Street Methodist Church, Golborne
Engage, Formby Methodist Church
11-12. MET Executive, Cliff College
13. Stockton Heath Methodist Church
18-20. Church Weekend, Brigg Methodist Church
25-28. Cliff Festival

June

1-3. June Basingstoke (TBC)
9-10. Queen Hall Anniversary Weekend
16. Liverpool North Circuit Away Day
17. Crosby Circuit
24. Crosby Circuit
28-29. Ministerial Session of Conference

July

15. July Anlaby Park (TBC)
22, 29. Sankey Valley Circuit
30 June - 5 July. Representative Session of Conference

Please pray for Paul Wilson, our Development Worker, as he ministers around the Connexion. Please consider how your church or circuit could be encouraged by his ministry.

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Speakers: The Revd Nick & Mrs Linda Holt
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