

Father,

your love is as wide as the oceans,  
as deep as the sea and as tall as the heavens.

May your spirit rise like a mighty wave  
and come and restore those who are ill.

You are the water of life.

You are the fresh spring.

You are healing rain to all those who are in need.

Come Lord.

**Amen**

Our Father and our God,

we pray that in this period of crisis in our world

that the Holy Spirit will use it

to remind us of our need of You

and our relationship with You.

We pray that today if our relationship with you

is not right that we will make it right

through Jesus Christ our Lord

who came to die on the cross

because He loved us.

For we ask it in His Name. **Amen.**

**Billy Graham**

Create in us a new heart

and a new vision,

O God, that the gifts of Your Spirit

may work in us

and renew the face of the earth.

May we be one with you so that

our work is yours and your work is ours.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,

who lives with you

and with the Holy Spirit forever.

**Amen**

Heavenly Father,

I am your humble servant,

I come before you today in need of hope.

There are times when I feel helpless,

There are times when I feel weak.

I pray for hope.

I need hope for a better future.

I need hope for a better life.

I need hope for love and kindness.

Some say that the sky is at it's darkest

just before the light.

I pray that this is true, for all seems dark.

I need your light, Lord, in every way.

I pray to be filled with your light

from head to toe.

To bask in your glory.

To know that all is right in the world,

as you have planned,

and as you want it to be.

Help me to walk in your light,

and live my life in faith and glory.

In your name, I pray,

**Amen**

Teach this triple truth to all:

A generous heart, kind speech,

and a life of service and compassion

are the things which renew humanity.

**Buddha**

If you have any suggested items for inclusion  
in the September Prayer Diary, please pass these  
to Faith Truran by 20<sup>th</sup> August.

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# Prayer Diary

**August 2020**



*St Bartholomew's  
Church*

Now hope does not disappoint,  
because the love of God  
has been poured out in our hearts  
by the Holy Spirit  
which was given to us.

**Romans 5:5**

Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation,  
continuing steadfastly in prayer.

Romans 12:12

## August 2020

Let us pray

Sat 1<sup>st</sup>: for **holiday makers** returning from Spain to face quarantine.

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>: for the **Ministry Team** leading our worship today; for **Paul and Nicci** taking a well-earned break.

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>: for **our country** as Covid infections increase and our fears grow.

Tues 4<sup>th</sup>: for **the government** to have a clear strategy and proper leadership.

Wed 5<sup>th</sup>: for all those facing **redundancy and unemployment**.

Thurs 6<sup>th</sup>: for the **elderly and housebound or shielding**; for their families and carers.

Frid 7<sup>th</sup>: for **families with new babies**; for their wellbeing and support.

Sat 8<sup>th</sup>: for **the homeless** in these frightening times; for the charities trying to give help.

Sun 9<sup>th</sup>: for our **Church leaders** trying to guide us through these difficult times.

Mon 10<sup>th</sup>: for the many scientists searching for a **vaccine** for Covid-19.

Tues 11<sup>th</sup>: for everyone living on **Tristram Road** in Ducklington.

Wed 12<sup>th</sup>: for the **Mid-week Communion Service** on Zoom today.

Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>: for the work of the **Bible Society**, continuing to provide the Word of God all over the world, in spite of Covid.

Frid 14<sup>th</sup>: for everyone living on **Pound Close** in Ducklington.

Sat 15<sup>th</sup>: for anyone with **mental health problems**.

Sun 16<sup>th</sup>: for our Bishops, particularly **Bishop Colin** as he prepares for retirement; for his replacement.

Mon 17<sup>th</sup>: for **cancer sufferers** or those **awaiting diagnosis** during this time of reduced services.

Tues 18<sup>th</sup>: for **little Alfie and his family** and all **children suffering with cancer**.

Wed 19<sup>th</sup>: for those **awaiting surgery**.

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup>: for our **friends and relatives in care homes**; for the staff who care for them.

Frid 21<sup>st</sup>: for our **NHS staff** in hospitals and surgeries; for **carers and essential workers**.

Sat 22<sup>nd</sup>: for the work of **Open Doors** supporting persecuted Christians.

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup>: for the **persecuted church** throughout the world.

Mon 24<sup>th</sup>: for **Nicole Barber and James Harding** who would have been married today.

Tues 25<sup>th</sup>: for those preparing for **confirmation** later this year.

Wed 26<sup>th</sup>: for **refugees in camps** all over the world, often forgotten and hopeless.

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup>: for forgiveness and for being forgiven on this **Global Forgiveness Day**.

Frid 28<sup>th</sup>: for more **awareness and tolerance** towards folk who are different from us.

Sat 29<sup>th</sup>: for **the recently bereaved**.

Sun 30<sup>th</sup>: for the **Paul and the Ministry Team** leading us forward in Christ.

Mon 31<sup>st</sup>: for everyone living on **Bartholomew Close** in Ducklington.

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Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy.  
Sustain and support the anxious,  
be with those who care for the sick,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may find comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us  
from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**