

We hope that you will use this prayer card alongside your daily devotions to help us remember people and groups in our Church and Community. There will be others who are not mentioned so please include them in your prayers and let Steve or Heather know if you would like them included in future editions of our prayer card.

As we join together in prayer we pray that you will be blessed and encouraged, strengthened and heartened to know that others are praying alongside you, both for you personally and for those in our community.

May you know God's presence with you at all times and in all places and be blessed by his rich gifts and his comfort.

Steve and Heather



Suggested people in the Church and Community that you may wish to pray for are listed against each day of the month. Please don't feel bound by this list but keep this prayer card with you and use as a bookmark and an aid to prayer.

We invite you to include the following individuals and groups in your prayers. Please pray for them on each day of the month.

- 1 Circuit Ministers & Families Stewards and Treasurer, Administrator and Officers People living alone
- 2 Pastoral Visitors House Groups Simon Community and homeless, Joanna Project
- 3 Uniformed organisations, Spring Harvest
- 4 MWiB, Womens Group, Schools, Nurseries, Play Groups, Mother and Toddlers Groups
- 5 Overseas Mission All Aid Workers
- 6 Coffee Shop on Saturday and Wednesday, Factory Workers and Chaplains, All Self Employed, Ngong Library
- 7 Dementia Support Group, Foodbank, Transport Workers
- 8 Sunday Worship, Worship Development Group, Worship Band and singers, Refugees, Armed Forces and Chaplains
- 9 Church Stewards and families, Methodist Schools, Workers in Education, U3A
- 10 Property Committee, Church Cleaners and rota, Agricultural Workers
- 11 Steve and Family, Heather and Family, Alcoholics Anonymous, Health Workers

12 First Steps and Crèche, Town Council and Town Clerk, Mayor, Leeds City Council, Workers in the Retail Trade

- 13 Local Preachers, Worship Leaders, the Bereaved, Sick and Housebound, Residential and Nursing Homes
- 14 WHAM, Students and Teenagers, Youth Work
- 15 Prayer Groups and the Prayer Chain, those made redundant, the unemployed
- 16 Badminton and Table Tennis Clubs, MHA, RVS, Social Services Workers
- 17 New people at Church (by name), St James' Church, Baptist Church, St Joseph's Church, Salvation Army
- 18 Church musicians, CTiW, Office Workers
- 19 Junior Church (YP©G and COOL), Pre-school Praise, Christian Golf Society, Entertainers and Leisure workers
- 20 District Chair and Officers, Church Council, Communion Stewards, Banner Group
- 21 YOI Wetherby and Wealstun, Prison Chaplains, Prison Fellowship and Visitors, Tea Bar for Prison Visitors, In2Out, Amnesty International
- 22 Welcomers, Action for Children, Relate, Rotary and Lions, Wetherby Schools

- 23 Sunday Coffee Rota, Special Needs Groups, Sports and Social Clubs
- 24 Magazine and weekly notices, WISE, Sheltered Housing, workers in communications
- 25 Finance Committee, Civic Society, Wetherby in Bloom
- 26 Men's and Ladies Walking Groups, All We Can, Christian Aid, Local Charity Shops
- 27 Flower and Visitors' rota, Flower Guild, Mason House, St James' Luncheon Club
- 28 Cheshire Home and Rota, Counsellors and Advice Workers, Rest Easy and 121
- 29 Home Missions, Men's & Ladies Forum, Police, Fire and Ambulance workers
- 30 Tear Fund and the Nepal Project, Traidcraft, WaterAid, Council workers
- 31 Methodist President, Vice President, Youth President, Connexional Teams, Diaconal Order



The Prayer Chain
is available for personal prayer. If you would like prayer for a particular personal issue please contact Godfrey and Joan Wilson on 582348

Lord,
 I wonder
 I wonder sometimes in fear and
 trepidation
 at others with courage and
 confidence.
 I wonder what the future will hold.
 Will I face adversity, or is there
 joy ahead?
 Will I have a good income or will
 I lose my job?
 Will my friends and family be
 supportive?
 What trials will I have to face?
 Will the world situation be more
 peaceful next year?
 Will the Church be more united?
 What of the children, what of the
 elderly, what of the vulnerable?
 I wonder.
 But all I know is that whatever
 happens you will walk by my side.

Amen



The Acorn Prayer

When I feel small, inadequate for
 the task,
 unworthy to be your follower,
 I remember those you chose in
 Galilee.
 Not a theological degree among
 them.
 Ordinary men, who
 doubted you,
 denied you,
 mistook your
 identity.
 No human would choose such a
 foundation
 on which to build their legacy.
 No human, no, but the Son of
 God?
 Yes. You chose Peter as the rock,
 the shepherd
 to feed your sheep.
 You commended Mary for giving
 you time,
 reminding Martha that action is
 not all.
 You used the gifts of fishermen,
 tax collectors, everyday people.
 You saw the potential in each one.
 Help me to believe that you placed
 potential in me too.
 Give me courage to live up to your
 call
 And to step out today in faith.
 Help me to see the potential in the
 events
 of today and to be bolder and
 braver tomorrow.
 Amen



Father God, Perfect Creator,

As I look on a broken world.
 I feel lost and lonely.
 All I understood seems muddled.
 Politics, church, family, friends.
 Where is the natural rhythm and
 order?
 When did we turn from your way?
 Forgive me for my part.
 Strengthen me to change.
 Empower me to find truth and do
 my bit
 to light the way back to you.



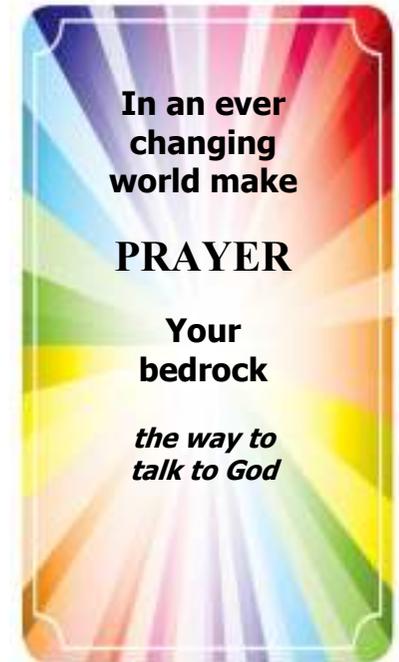
Prayer before a meeting

Father God
 May our hearts be filled with your
 love, our words reflect your grace
 and our decisions build your
 kingdom as we seek to do your
 will in this community and for
 your people. Amen

Generous Lord,
 I ask you to help me to cultivate a
 generous heart and a generous
 spirit.
 Help me to see need around me
 and to respond with love.
 Help me to learn compassion,
 justice and peace.

WETHERBY METHODIST CHURCH

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It is to a great and
 wonderful God that we
 address our prayers,
 thanking him for all that he
 has done for us and seeking
 his guidance for our future.

We also know that he cares
 for each and every one of us
 and in this diary we offer
 prayers for those in our
 community as well as the
 Church