

# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER PRAYER DIARY

**SEPTEMBER 2021-AUGUST 2022** 

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER ENGLAND, WALES & NORTHERN IRELAND

#### MISSION STATEMENT

As representatives of the churches in England, Wales & Northern Ireland, and members of a world-wide, womenled, ecumenical prayer movement, we work to promote *'informed prayer, prayerful action'* through the production of materials to support the annual international prayer service.

We encourage women to plan ecumenically for the World Day of Prayer, promoting prayerful living and worship for men, women and young people and helping raise awareness of the lives and concerns of others throughout the world, especially those who write the service. Through these activities we support Christian charities which provide practical help for people in need.

On the First Friday in March every year a service is held where a chosen country produces materials for the world to worship. As the materials are written the World Day of Prayer motto

#### INFORMED PRAYER, PRAYERFUL ACTION

is set in motion. World Day of Prayer is a prayer movement, not for just one day a year but throughout the year. World Day of Prayer, a worldwide, women-led, ecumenical Prayer Movement.

Please use this monthly prayer diary to help you focus on the prayer needs of the Movement and add your local needs in the space provided each week.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

...those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not grow faint. (Isaiah 40:31)

At the start of this diary year please remember in your prayers all the charities who have received grants from WDP. Some are listed in the order of service or you can check the WDP website for information on the charities helped and on the charity of the month.

## Wk1: Distribution of new materials to all branches begins.

Pray for the people packing the parcels and for the post

people and couriers delivering them. Pray for the safe arrival of the materials.
Wk2: The Preparation Days begin. Whether physical or virtual, pray for the safety of these events and that the information given on the days is useful in the preparation of the service. Pray also for the organisers of the day and for the National Committee members involved.

# Wk3: Finance and National Committee meetings take place this week.

Pray for wisdom for the Finance sub-Committee as they discuss the grant applications received and how to distribute the money available. Pray for unity in decisions made; for the charities helped; and also for those applications which were not successful, pray that they may receive their needs from other sources. Pray for all the National Committee members as they attend the meetings.
Wk4: WDP Office Administration Pray for the Administrator as she prepares the minutes from the meetings and sends out the good news to the grant recipients.
Wk5: WDP Office staff Pray for the office staff as they continue to pack and send out stock and Preparation Day parcels. Pray that all materials are received safely.

#### **OCTOBER**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his loves endures for ever. (Psalm 107:1)

Continue to pray for all the charities that WDP has helped over the years. May they be blessed in all that they do showing Christian love throughout the world.
Wk2: WDP Executive Committee Pray for the WDP Executive Committee made up of representatives from seven different areas of the world. Pray that these volunteers continue to grow in their role on the Executive Committee and enjoy fellowship with their fellow members around the world.

#### Wk3: WDP Branches

As materials are received around the country pray for the meetings that are being held to discuss the new materials. Pray for the Branch Secretaries as they

#### **November**

...I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. (John 6:35)

Remember to pray for the charity of the month highlighted on the WDP website or chose from the list in the order of service.

Wk1: WDP England, Wales & Northern Ireland Pray for the World Day of Prayer Committee in your area and that, as the world begins to look at their service, we all start to feel the wave of prayer coming our way.
Wk2: WDP Executive Committee Chairperson
Pray for Laurence Gangloff, the Chairperson of the international committee. Pray for her as she helps with the preparations for the International Meeting due to take place virtually in June 2022 and continues to help the countries preparing the service in the future.
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Wk3: WDP National Committee England, Wales & Northern Ireland Residential Meeting As the National Committee meet for this week-long residential pray for their safe travel to Charney Manor, Wantage. Pray for good fellowship, understanding and unity as meetings are held and the work is begun on the materials for the 2023 service from Taiwan.
Wk4: WDP Welsh Committee Pray for the WDP Welsh Committee and their preparations for the service in Welsh. Pray for the Welsh speaking preparation days, for safe travel to the days and for blessed fellowship during their time together.

#### **DECEMBER**

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)

Add the charity of the month highlighted on the WDP website to your prayers or one from the list in your order of service.

<b>Wk1: Taiwan materials</b> Pray for the National Committee members as they consider the first drafts of the materials for 2023.
Wk2: World Day of Prayer European
Representatives Pray for Emmanuelle Bauer and Senka Sestak Peterlin, European Representatives on the International
Committee. Pray for their friendship to develop and their fellowship to be fruitful.

#### Wk3: World Day of Prayer Members

Pray for our World Day of Prayer sisters around the world as they prepare for their nativity celebrations. Pray

especially for those who are in countries where Christians cannot openly worship. Pray for peace and understanding.
Wk4: Christmas  Pray for all volunteers and charities particularly at this time of year who are helping where people are desperate for what foodbanks have to offer; where homeless shelters are over-flowing; and where people are giving up their time to serve Christmas dinner to those people on their own or in need.
Wk5: Peace and Rest Pray that the goodwill shown in past weeks can continue; that those helped will continue to be helped; and pray that the busy people can find the time to rest.

## **JANUARY**

Be Strong and take heart all you who hope in the LORD. (Psalm 31:24)

Check the website for the Charity of the Month and add them to your prayers or use the list from the order of service.

<b>Wk1: New year, new commitments</b> Pray for new beginnings, new friendships, and new fellowship.
Wk2: Methodist Church House, London Pray for this building where the National Committee meetings are held throughout the year. Pray for those who provide the refreshments, including lunch, and for all those who work in the building.

Pray for safe travel for the National Committee members as they attend the meetings in London. Pray for the latest drafts of materials from Taiwan; the preparation of the Together in Prayer magazine and the choosing of photographs and prayers for the publications.
Wk4: WDP Albania This week we pray for Merita Meko and the ladies of
Albania as they meet together to prepare for the England, Wales & Northern Ireland service. We pray for their safety, their freedom to worship and for good fellowship. Pray for safe travel to Albania for members from EWNI going to join Merita for the workshop.
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#### **FEBRUARY**

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. (1 Peter 5:7)

Remember to pray for a charity helped by WDP taken from the order of service or the WDP website.

Wk1: 2022 Service Preparations Pray for the branches as they carry on preparing for the service in March. Pray that meetings go well, that Bible studies are fruitful and for the musicians practicing the music.
Wk2: Preparation Days As the last of the WDP preparation days takes place give thanks for all those who volunteer to present these days around England, Wales & Northern Ireland.

Wk3: Executive Director World Day of Prayer Pray for Rosângela Oliveira from the International Office in New York and her assistant Samantha Figueroa, as they see their hard work come together for the Day of Prayer. Give thanks for all they do in distributing the materials around the world and give thanks for their dedication to the World Day of Prayer Movement.
Wk4: Preparations for the World Day of Prayer Pray that last minute preparations for the Day of Prayer go well.

#### **MARCH**

'For I know the plans I have for you', declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.' (Jeremiah 29:11)

Pray for a charity helped by WDP taken from the order of service or the WDP website.

#### Wk1: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Pray for all the services happening around the world. Pray for the weather; pray for the venue; pray for all those attending this special day; pray for friendship and fellowship; and pray for our area – England, Wales & Northern Ireland – that we feel the wave of prayer washing over us.

Wk2: After the Day of Prayer

Pray for those dealing with the offering and gift aid envelopes from the Day of Prayer. Pray for continuing friendships made at the Day of Prayer and pray for continued fellowship within all denominations.

Wk3: National Committee Pray for the National Committee as they attend the meetings in London. Pray for safe travel and unity in decisions made. Pray for positive reports from Day of Prayer services attended.
Wk4: WDP Office Pray for the staff in the WDP Office as they receive and deal with the returns from the Day of Prayer. Pray for the postmen who deliver the sacks of post and pray for the safety of the office at this busy time.
Wk5: England, Wales & Northern Ireland Thank God for the women who wrote the service, whose voices have been heard all over the world. Pray for the people of these countries especially that their struggles and needs are recognised and rectified.

#### **APRIL**

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

Add the charity of the month highlighted on the WDP website to your prayers or choose one from the order of service.

Wk1: Taiwan

Pray for the materials from Taiwan that they continue to develop well.
Wk2: Together in Prayer Pray for the editor of the WDP magazine and the 2023 edition. Pray for the articles that are being written; the reports from the 2022 service; the reports from around the world; the background information and the prayer resource.

Wk3: Y-Pray? Conference Pray for the organising committee as they finalise the arrangements for the Y-Pray? Conference weekend, 29 April – 1 May.
Wk4: WDP Finance Meeting
As the WDP Finance sub-Committee meets with the Accountant to finalise the 2021 accounts, pray for those travelling to the meeting. Pray also for the Administrator as she presents her accounts to the meeting and for the Accountant as he leads members through the figures.
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## **MAY**

'...with God all things are possible.' (Matt 19:26)

Continue to pray for the Charity of the Month or of your choice from the order of service.

Wk1: Y-PRAY? Conference Pray that the Y-Pray? Conference was a blessing to all who attended - delegates, organisers and entertainment people. Pray also that the young people have been enthused for World Day of Prayer and will be welcomed
into their local WDP committees.
Wk2: WDP Trustees Pray for the Trustees of the World Day of Prayer movement in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Pray for their wisdom and leadership throughout their tenure. Pray for their safety as they travel around the country representing the movement.

Wk3: WDP Annual General Meeting Pray for the committee as they meet together. Pray for constructive discussions and amiable decisions. Pray especially for the elections of new Appointed Officers and Vice Chairperson. Pray also for the appointment of new members to the committee.
Wk4: WDP Scotland Pray for the World Day of Prayer Scottish Committee. Pray for fellowship and continued friendships as they meet to discuss the returns from the Day of Prayer.

#### **JUNE**

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you... (Ephesians 1:18)

Remember to pray for the charity of the month highlighted on the WDP website or from the order of service.

Wk1. Taiwan materials

Pray for the office as the new materials are delivered. Pray for the space in the office to house these materials.
Wk2: WDP International Meeting
Pray for all the ladies from around the world who are attending this virtual meeting. Pray for the Executive Director as she hosts; that all the arrangements go smoothly and that internet connections are not lost. Pray for the business of the meeting as future service themes and countries are decided; as new committee members are chosen; and pray that the fellowship, fun and friendship are not lost over the airwaves.

#### <u>JULY</u>

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation is come: the old has gone, the new is here! (2 Cor 5:17)

Add a charity that has received funds from WDP to your prayers. Check the website for the Charity of the Month or the order of service.

Wk1: WDP Core and Development Grant recipients

Pray for these special charities as WDP seeks to help with long term projects and build relationship with the charities.	
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Wk2: Christian Denominations Pray for all Christian Denominations represented on the National Committee WDP and on the local branch committees. Pray also for those denominations not represented at the moment that volunteers can be found to fill the gaps.	d
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Wk3: Link Day Pray for the meeting with the Preparation Day Organisers as they look at the publications for the next Day of Prayer, materials that will be presented at their Preparation Day. Pray for safety and good fellowship. Pray for the guest speakers that they may be clear and informative about Taiwan.
Wk4: WDP Taiwan Pray for the National Committee of World Day of Prayer Taiwan and all those involved in preparing the materials for the 2023 service. As the information begins to be circulated for the 2023 Day of Prayer may they all feel the prayer and love being sent to them.

#### **AUGUST**

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Peter 2:9)

Pray for all the charities that have been helped by WDP England, Wales & Northern Ireland.

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Pray for the branch secretaries who will be receiving the new materials during the next few weeks. Pray that they share the contents of the parcels with their committee and look forward to preparing for the new service.
WK2: 2022 Grant Allocations As the National Committee receives information on the grant applications submitted for consideration this year, pray for God's guidance in their recommendations.

Wk3: Overseas Branches Pray for the branches of WDP England, Wales and Northern Ireland that are overseas. Pray as they receive the materials for the next service that they are able to share them with many people and that those people will enjoy learning more about Taiwan.
Wk4: England, Wales & Northern Ireland and Taiwan Pray for both these areas as we have brought England, Wales & Northern Ireland to the world and now move on to Taiwan. Continue to hold the people of England, Wales & Northern Ireland in your prayers and add the people of Taiwan.
Wk5: Annual Mailing and Order of Service packing Pray for the people who are packing and sending out the materials for WDP. May they be safe in their work and be interested in what they are packing.

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