

Castle Church

Prayer Diary - November 2017

1 Thessalonians 5:17
...'pray continually'...

This prayer diary is to help you pray for our church family at Castle Church. It makes a suggestion for prayer for each day of the month.

Try to pray each day, that God would bring a new person, couple or family into the life of Castle Church.

Alongside these prayers, you might also like to pray for:

- your family, both immediate and extended
- your neighbours who might not know Jesus
- worldwide problems that you see on the news or read in the newspapers
- for our Christian brothers and sisters in other countries who are regularly persecuted because of their faith

also, each time you pray, it's good to:

- thank God for all the blessings in your life
- praise God for who he is and what he's done in dieing for you
- say sorry for all the things in our lives that we have done which we know are wrong.
- read a Psalm from the bible and pray using words from it.

November

- 8th Thank God for our associate ministers Roy, Alan & Chris. Pray for them in the vital work they do in preaching, leading bible studies and mentoring.
- 9th Pray for early plans for Christmas including card designs, service plans etc. Pray that God will use them to draw people to Himself.
- 10th Pray for the Parent & Toddler group as it meets this morning. Pray that we would be able to build relationships with those who attend so that we might be able to introduce them to Jesus.
- 11th Pray that the Reformation teaching series will bear long term fruit for God's kingdom long after it ends.
- 12th Pray that we have respectful acts of remembrance at all our services today also for those in our church family who still suffer the effects of tragic loss through conflict. Pray that the service in Talke with Bishop Rod tonight would be helpful.
- 14th Pray for Philip, Michael, Ros and Roy as they attend a consultation with Bishop Rod At Shallowford this morning discussing the latest theological issues facing the Church Of England. Also, for the staff team as they meet together to study, pray and work through parish business today. Ask that they would learn more from your word and that their time together would be profitable.
- 15th Pray that the Midweek Communion service would be a time of warm fellowship, learning from God's word and a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our salvation as we share around the Lord's Table.
- 16th Pray that God would provide us with the resources we need financially to keep our staffing levels up and pay our regular bills. Ask that grant-making trust applications would be successful.
- 17th Pray for our input into the life of Castlechurch School would be good and helpful and for new opportunities to share the good news of Jesus.
- 18th Pray that Castle Church will be effective in discipling members of the church family both young and old.

- 19th Pray for our services today, particularly the new 3@6 Service. As that we would learn from God's word together and put it into practice in our daily walk with the Lord.
- 20th Pray for our friend Sarah Morris as she works as a Chaplain in a local prison. Pray that God would use her to share the good news of Jesus with inmates. Also pray for her as she begins to prepare to share the good news of Jesus in Philippine Prisons. Pray that our money will facilitate the work.
- 21st Pray that all the bible study groups that meet at Castle Church would be effective in helping to disciple us all and help us to grow to maturity in Christ.
- 22nd Pray for the work Michael does amongst us. Thank God for him and ask that God would reveal to him plans He may have for his life of service.
- 23rd Pray for all those from within our church family who are struggling under a huge mountain of stress or depression either at work or at home. Pray that their eyes would be lifted to Jesus in their time of difficulty.
- 24th Thank God for David Boote's difficult work as treasurer and ask that he would have the time and energy to do this demanding work for us.
- 25th Pray for the progress of potential building and lighting projects. Pray that God would be very clear in directing which way we should go.
- 26th Pray for Dani, Owen & Reuben as they bring Reuben for Dedication this morning. Pray for a joyful and happy service and for their family and friends as they join us.
- 27th Pray for a good Staff Meeting today as the staff team put final touches to Christmas plans.
- 28th Pray for Owen as he leads the work amongst our young people at Castle Church. Ask that every child will know Jesus in their lives. Also ask that the Coffee Morning and Communion would be great times of fellowship together.
- 29th Pray that, as our Church Christmas cards begin to be delivered this week, many will plan to join us for our Christmas services.
- 30th Pray that our deliberations and plans regarding our buildings will be 'Kingdom-focussed' and that we will have buildings that help point people to Jesus.

December

- 1st Pray for plans for Christmas, that God would work in the lives of those who come under the sound of the gospel this Christmas
- 2nd Pray for our Churchwardens Barbara and Colin as they work to serve us all at Castle Church. Pray that God would give the health, strength and energy that they need.
- 3rd Pray that we would enjoy being a church family together at our services today. Pray that there'll be a deepening of faith amongst the church family.
- 4th Pray for all those who teach our young people in Sunday School and Youth Group. Ask for God's wisdom and strength for them. Pray for our scratch choir as they work hard in preparation for Christmas. Pray that they will point people to the Lord Jesus through their singing.
- 5th Pray that we would have a great time together at Prayer Meeting tonight.

Church Family

Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 5th December

7.30-8.30pm in the Barn

Everyone is welcome to this... the most important meeting of the church family each month.

“Men may spurn our appeals, reject our message, oppose our arguments, despise our persons, but they are helpless against our prayers.”

J. Sidlow Baxter