



## St Andrew's Kirk Ella and St Luke's Willerby Prayer Diary for May 2019

*We will explore with anyone who will listen the good news that God saves and transforms sinners through Jesus Christ*

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray..." (Luke 11.1)

### **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May - Psalm 40** *Friendship Club*

Pray for this work at St Luke's as they seek to minister to those who are elderly and isolated. Thank God for all who attend and for the faithful team who serve in this way. Pray that the love of Christ may be shared in both word and deed.

### **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Psalm 41** *Mission Partners*

Praise God for our mission partners in both churches. Pray today for the international ministries of MAF, Leprosy Mission and Gideons who are supported by St Luke's. Pray especially for those who work in dangerous, hostile and remote places that God will bless them and keep them safe.

### **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Psalm 42** *Flower Guild*

Thank God for those who serve in this group and for the beautiful displays they bring to our church building, reminding us to give thanks for God's wonderful creation all around us.

### **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 43** *Men's Groups*

Pray for Men's Breakfast (today) and Word at the Wheatsheaf later in the month. Ask God to bless the times of friendship, fellowship and study of His word. Pray that all will be challenged and ready to be obedient to the lessons learned.

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 44** *Sunday Services and Baptism*

Pray for a real sense of God's presence in all our services today. Pray especially for Natalie and Daisy as they publicly declare their faith in the Lord Jesus and are baptised. Pray that they will both know the power of God's Spirit in their lives.

### **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 45** *Schools Work*

Praise God for "Open the Book" at St Andrew's and Carr Lane schools, Fuse Club and the small CU at Wolfreton. Ask God to continue to grow the numbers, for sufficient workers and continued good relationships. Pray for perseverance in sowing the seed of the gospel.

### **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 46** *Prayer Evening*

The needs of our world are great. Praise God for opportunities to pray tonight and on Friday mornings and be encouraged that we have a God who delights to hear and answer. Pray that God will lead us to pray in accordance with His will and for the honour of His name.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 47 Pastoral Visiting Team**

Pray for this small group as they seek to minister to those who are unwell and perhaps not able to meet with us anymore. Pray for wisdom, sensitivity and Christ-like compassion.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 48 Staff Team**

Pray for all the staff team in the different roles they undertake, asking for wisdom in decision making, good health, stamina to keep persevering and joy in serving the Lord. Pray too that each will enjoy those necessary times of rest and refreshment.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 49 Youth and Children's Groups**

Pray for all the different groups in both our churches, that leaders will be faithful teachers and that our children and young people will grow up to be godly men and women and steadfast disciples of Christ. Pray for increased numbers from outside our congregations so that more young people will hear the good news of Christ.

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 50 Mission Partners**

Pray for our new mission partners, Pete and Katy Myers and their family as they prepare to serve God in Ethiopia. Pray that God will prepare the way for them and bless them as they obey His call to serve overseas and adjust to the major changes this brings into all their lives.

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 51 Confirmation Service**

Pray for God's blessing on all those who will be confirmed by Archbishop Sentamu this morning. Ask God to fill them with His Spirit, to enable them to be faithful to Christ and to grow in spiritual wisdom and maturity. Pray that God will be glorified in all that is said and done.

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 52 Women's Groups**

Remember all the different groups as they meet during the month to study together, pray together and support one another. Pray that those who are struggling in any way will find encouragement, comfort and godly wisdom.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 53 Growth Groups**

Pray that as we continue our studies in 1 Samuel we will all learn and become more like the people God wants us to be. Thank God that His word is still relevant today and pray that we will all have teachable hearts and a willingness to change as God speaks to us.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 54 Work Matters**

Pray for those in our church families who face struggles in their work. Pray for God's grace to enable them to remain faithful to Him in the workplace, especially where there is opposition to the gospel and pressure to compromise.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 55 Personal Evangelism**

Pray today for those of our families who do not yet know the Lord Jesus as their own personal Saviour. Ask God to give us opportunities to speak and act for Him and that we will have the joy of seeing those we love come to a saving faith

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 56 *Family Life***

Pray for those families where we know there is stress and tension. Ask God to bring healing and reconciliation and for God to be central in all their relationships. Pray for godly role models within our churches and a desire to follow God's directives for family life, confident that He knows best for us.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 57 *Parish Councils***

Pray for good relationships between our Parish Councils and churches, and for opportunities to support one another as appropriate. Thank God for the work they do in caring for our local communities.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 58 *Sunday Services***

Pray for our joint evening service, that more people will be encouraged to come and share in this time of praise, worship and teaching. Thank God for the freedom to meet, and pray for those of our brothers and sisters in Christ who are denied this privilege.

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 59 *Mission Partners***

Pray for the Griffiths serving in Myanmar. Pray for Mike as he continues to work on the "Healthy Church" project, asking that this will be of real help to local church communities. Pray too that God will bless Jo as she continues her work amongst the ladies. Pray for good friendships and wisdom in sometimes difficult situations.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Psalm 60 *Mums and Toddlers Groups***

Thank God for this work in both our churches and for those who serve so faithfully week by week. Pray for a good balance of fun and games alongside the opportunity to share the good news of Jesus in a family friendly way.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Psalm 61 *Outreach***

Pray for all the different groups within our churches as we seek to reach out to those who do not yet know the Lord Jesus. Pray for an opportunity to invite someone to one of our Sunday services or mid-week groups in the coming weeks.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Psalm 62 *Students***

Pray for our students away from home, as they are exposed to new ideas and experiences. Pray that they will stand firm for Christ and know the joy of being able to share their faith with friends and give a reason for the hope that is within them.

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 63 *Westfield House***

Pray for the team who will go to Westfield House today and share with the elderly residents. Ask God to open hearts and minds to the love of Christ and the hope that He gives for the future.

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 64 *Growth in Faith***

Pray that God will be at work in all our lives as we seek to live and work for Him. Ask Him to bring us to greater spiritual maturity and Christlikeness, as we read His word and seek to be obedient to it. Pray that we will be quick to help and encourage one another.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 65** *Sunday Services*

Pray for all our services today at both our churches, including our children and youth groups. Pray that God will speak by His Spirit to each one of us. Thank God for all those who preach and teach and for all the study and preparation they do in order to be faithful to the word of God.

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 66** *Events Team*

Pray for this team who serve so well to make all our special events run smoothly. Pray that they will continue to work together as a team and for new members to join them. Pray that they will find joy in using their God-given gifts in this way.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 67** *Proclamation Trust*

Pray for this organisation and those who lead it as they seek to equip preachers and teachers within the church. Thank God for all those who give of their time to help and train others to handle the word of God correctly.

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 68** *Mission Partners*

Remember the Lowry's in Senegal and the Moore's in PNG. Pray that in the busyness of mission life, they will have that necessary time with God to help, equip and enable them for the work He has called them to do. Pray too for blessing on family life with all the stresses and strains that overseas mission work can bring.

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 69** *Our Nation*

Pray for our nation, that God will have mercy on us and be at work to draw us back to Himself. Pray especially for Christians in positions of power and influence that they will be salt and light amidst all the darkness.

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Psalm 70** *Thanksgiving*

We have so much to be grateful for. Spend some time thanking God for all the gifts and blessings that He so generously bestows on us. Pray too that God will give us a spirit of gratitude and that we will be quick to thank those who serve us in so many ways within our church families.

*Space to add the names of family members or friends who do not yet believe, or who are in particular need at the moment*



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