



## St Andrew's Kirk Ella and St Luke's Willerby Prayer Diary for September 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)

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September - Psalm 13** *All Age Service*

Pray that we will enjoy worshipping together as a church family and that all ages will learn from God's word and grow in faith and spiritual maturity. Pray that those who speak at all our services today will be led by the Holy Spirit and empowered to speak boldly and lovingly.

### **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - Psalm 14** *Mission Partners*

Pray for the Myers family as they begin serving in Ethiopia, that they will quickly adjust to a whole new way of life and will see God working in a wonderful way. Pray too for the Lowry's in Senegal as they continue with Bible translation work. Pray that many will be blessed to have a portion of God's word in their own language and that lives will be transformed.

### **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Psalm 15** *Prayer Evening*

As we acknowledge our complete dependence on the Lord, we meet to bring our prayers to our Heavenly Father. Pray that there will be a greater desire amongst our Church family to engage together in this important privilege. Pray for increased numbers and a realisation that we can do nothing in our own strength. Pray too for more people to join in prayer on Friday mornings at St Andrew's.

### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 16** *Friendship Club*

Thank God for this group at St Luke's and for each one that comes. Pray that those who are lonely and isolated will be blessed by the company and be glad to learn more about the One who is able to be their constant companion in all situations.

### **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 17** *Mill Lane Cemetery*

Thank God for those who care for the cemetery and pray for wisdom as they deal with a shortage of finance. Pray that proper care of the whole area will be able to continue and that this will be a good witness to bereaved families.

### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 18** *Youth Groups*

Pray for the groups at both our churches as they restart after the summer break. Pray that all the regulars will return and for new people to join and feel welcome. Pray that our young people will be glad to learn more about the Lord who calls them to trust and follow Him.

### **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 19** *Raywell Weekend*

Thank God for all those who have helped to make this event possible and pray that we all have a safe, fun time together as a Church family. Pray that as we focus on answering hard questions we will all be strengthened in our faith and better able to talk to others about Christ.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 20 *Raywell Sunday Service***

Pray for a good attendance from both our Churches as we join together in worship and prayer, and listen to God's word being explained. Pray for God to be glorified in all that we do and say. Pray that all ages will be blessed as we learn more about the God who loves us.

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 21 *Schools Work***

Praise God for continued open doors in our local schools and for the opportunities to have an input into the lives of so many children. Pray for those who are involved to be wise and sensitive in how they share the good news of Jesus, and for continued good relationships with staff.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 22 *Students***

Pray for those who will be leaving home for the first time, that they will settle quickly and make new friends. Pray that they will soon find a Bible believing church and will stand firm in their Christian faith as they are exposed to new ideas and situations.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 23 *Bookstall***

Pray that more people will take advantage of good Christian books, growing in faith as they read and sharing what they learn with others. Thank God for those who run the new online bookstall.

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 24 *Staff Team***

Pray for all those on the staff team to be encouraged in their work and to work well together. Pray for Andy, our Parish Assistant, that he will continue to settle in well, make good friends and enjoy serving the Lord in West Hull.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 25 *Mission Partners***

Pray for one of the international ministries supported by St Luke's - MAF, Leprosy Mission and Gideons UK. Thank God for prayerful and practical support given by St Luke's and ask God to bless the missions' work as they minister to physical and spiritual needs around the world.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 26 *Men's Groups***

Pray for the different groups of men who meet during the month (Men's Breakfast this morning), asking God to help them persevere in their faith, to become more like Christ, to have the desire to put into practice what they learn and to be better equipped to serve Christ.

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 27 *Sunday Services***

Pray for each of our Church services today that God will speak powerfully to all of us. As we share communion pray that we will all know a deeper appreciation of all that the Lord did for us at Calvary and will grow in our devotion to Him.

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 28 *Open the Book (OTB)***

Today and on the 23<sup>rd</sup> OTB teams will be presenting a Bible story to our local schools to mark the 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. There are 18,076 schools in England and Wales and 3,000 of them have OTB teams going into them. The vision is for every primary school to have an OTB team going in to read Bible stories - please pray that this will become a reality. Thank God for local opportunities and for the teams who have a heart to share Jesus with the next generation.

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 29 *Toddler Groups***

Thank God for all the years of contact with tots and their carers. Pray for a distinctive Christian witness and for opportunities to gently share something of Jesus. Continue to pray that some will make the transition to Sunday services or special events.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 30 *Women's Groups***

Pray for the different groups to be blessed and encouraged as they study and pray together. Thank God for all who lead and pray that they will be a blessing to others and will feel supported in their role.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 31 *Sharing the Good News***

Ask God to help us recognise opportunities to share the love of Christ with those we meet, in both word and deed. Pray we will not be afraid of what others may think of us but we will be enabled by the Holy Spirit to be bold and courageous for Him.

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 32 *Oak Hill***

Pray for all those studying at Oak Hill as they prepare for ministry. Pray too for Jonny Guy as he begins his studying in Oxford. Pray that all students will be diligent in their studies and will grow in faith and love as their knowledge of God's word deepens.

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September - Psalm 33 *Marriages***

As the biblical definition of family comes under increasing attack, pray for Christians in our Church family to model godly marriages which are a small reflection of Christ and His Bride, the Church. Pray especially for those who are struggling, to find wise counsellors and godly wisdom.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September - Psalm 34 *Sunday Services***

Pray that more people would come to our joint evening service as we worship together in a slightly more informal setting. Praise God for this further opportunity to share fellowship and hear God speak to us.

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September - Psalm 35 *Mission Partners***

Pray for the Moore family serving in PNG and for the Griffiths in Myanmar. Pray that in the busyness of life they will have wisdom in prioritising, and as they seek to serve others, pray they will also guard their daily time of personal communion with the Lord through prayer and His word.

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 36 *Growth Groups***

As we study together pray that we will all learn and be encouraged to grow in spiritual maturity. Pray too that people will feel able to share their joys and struggles and support one another in prayer.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 37 *Growth in Faith***

Pray that as individuals and as a church family of all ages and stages, we will grow in spiritual maturity. Pray that we will encourage one another to study the scriptures, to pray and to serve by using our God given gifts for His glory.

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 38 *The Persecuted Church***

Pray for an area of the church where you know Christians are being persecuted. Pray for strong faith, patience and endurance. Pray too for those seeking to help with aid and legal advice, often at great risk to themselves.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 39 Westfield House**

Thank God for this opportunity to share with the elderly residents, staff and visitors. Pray that the message will be good news for those who hear and that they will be encouraged to trust and have their hope in Jesus.

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 40 Government**

Pray as we are commanded for those who have authority over us, that they will govern wisely and in accordance with God's word. Pray for Christian MPs to be salt and light and to make a difference where they serve. Pray too for those organisations that seek to influence government, like "Care" and "The Christian Institute", for wisdom and discernment in all they do.

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 41 Sunday Groups**

Thank God for those who serve in the Crèche and various groups for children and young people. Pray for wisdom and stamina as they teach on the same passage the adults will learn about. Pray that families will delight to talk about things together later in the day.

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September - Psalm 42 Thanksgiving**

As the month comes to an end, take some time to thank God for all His blessings over the past weeks and to rejoice in His love, care and provision. We have much to be thankful for, especially our Christian freedoms and relative safety and security.

*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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