

Weekly Prayer Diary



This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

1 John 5:14

Please remember in your prayers those, across the Association, who are unwell or in need:

- Ian Birrell (husband of Anne Birrell, deacon at Green Fields Baptist Church, Crawley) - **update** - Ian's consultation showed a good outcome from his prostate cancer procedure, he will continue to be monitored for some years but the outlook is very encouraging. He thanks you for your prayers, please continue to pray for sustained healing.
 - Philip Blaney (Revd Darren Blaney's eldest son) - please pray for Philip, for God's protection over his life, the efficiency of his medication, and that the medical support he needs will be made available.
 - Reg Hughes (former President and Chair of the Kent Baptist Association, and a member of Gillingham Baptist Church) - please continue to pray for Reg, following his recent chemotherapy; pray that the pain management team will be able to effectively help Reg.
 - Jill Lomas (wife of retired Minister, Revd Steve Lomas) - **update** - please keep Jill and family in your prayers, especially with the funeral later this week.
 - Revd Bill Miles (retired) - Please continue to pray for a successful and full recovery.
 - Revd Christopher & Ruth Russell (Minister, and wife, at Mytchett Baptist Church) - please keep Chris and Ruth in your prayers.
 - Joy Stephens (mother of Pam Kerley - SEBA's PA to the Regional Ministers) - **update** - please pray for Joy; she is still in hospital, and very poorly and frail. Please pray for Joy, and for Pam and Paul as they support her.
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- Revd Seyan Tills (retired) - please pray for Seyan as he settles into his retirement. Pray for God's blessing on and through Seyan, to those he encounters during this time of change.

If you would like your name added to the prayer list, please email me admin@seba-baptist.org.uk

(Please note, the prayer list is in alphabetical order, and any new requests or updates are highlighted)

BUEN (Baptist Union Environment Network) & COP 26:

A number of people have asked what is COP 26 and how do we pray for it? On behalf of the Baptist Union Environmental Network myself and Dave Gregory have put together [a prayer guide](#). Please consider circulating it within your church so we can maximise prayer as we move towards the COP 26 conference in Glasgow (31 October-12 November 2021). - *Trevor Beckett*

Prayers for today

BMS World Mission:

Pray for the management team of Hope Home (in Thailand), that they will be bold and wise in extending their ministry to older children with special needs.

(The BMS World Mission daily prayer guide can be downloaded via this link <https://www.bmsworldmission.org/get-involved/pray/prayer-guide/>)

The Joint Public Issues Teams:

Today we pray for rising gas prices. Analysts have warned that energy bills could increase by hundreds of pounds between now and the summer if global gas prices remain high. God, we pray for all who would be affected by higher bills, particularly those already in poverty. We ask that they would be protected from further hardship, and wouldn't have to suffer in cold homes this winter. Every day, we're encouraging you to lift up your eyes and pray for others around the world as part of [#stayandpray](#)

Read more about this issue here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-58824121?fbclid=IwAR3qA6wXVkdxd-kCeQuSf5lxzHAqAaDICGSALNJ2ij-Uy8YtsrYkqjM4_Vc

Prayer Broadcast from Baptist Union Council - 13 October

Join in prayer with our Council during the evening of their meeting - starting at 7pm on Wednesday 13 October. Our prayers will be led by General Secretary Lynn Green and recently retired General Secretary of the European Baptist Federation, Tony Peck. Please encourage your church to join in with this prayer broadcast - click [here](#) to access the broadcast.

Baptist Union prayer diary for week beginning 17 October

October is Black History Month, and the annual Sam Sharpe lecture takes place online on 21 October. Please pray for the work of the Sam Sharpe project in reflecting on and responding to the impact and legacy of the transatlantic slave trade.

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