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Weekly Prayer Diary



In our prayers, this Christmas

"For nothing will be impossible with God."

And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the

Lord; let it be to me according to your word.”

Luke 1 v37-38

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

- Charlotte Bolzan (wife of Minister in Training, Joao Bolzan, at Chiddingfold Baptist Church) - Charlotte has ME (the same condition as Liona Platford - mentioned below). Please pray for Charlotte, for her healing, and for strength & energy for each day and task.
- Revd Sandra Platford, Bryan, Aaron and Liona (Minister, and her family, at Godalming Baptist Church) - please continue to pray for the whole family - Liona's ongoing issues, Aaron's health issues earlier this year and Sandra's own health too.
- Revd Christopher & Ruth Russell (Minister, and wife, at Mytchett Baptist Church) - Chris has been diagnosed with low grade lymphatic cancer of the thyroid stage 3B which is treatable and has started weekly treatment. Ruth is making progress (having suffered a stroke) although progress is slow, but encouraging. Please pray for them both
- Revd Bob & Pam Younger (retired) - Bob and Pam have moved into a nursing & residential home, as Pam needed extra help for looking after Bob (who has mixed dementia), and with her own health - please remember them both in your prayers.

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)

SEBA Prayers for Thursday 24 December:

We are asking everyone who can, to join with us in spirit, praying together at 9.30am tomorrow (*we do appreciate this won't work for everyone, for those who cannot, please join your prayers with ours at a time convenient to you*)

Prayer Focus: For all our churches, leadership teams, and Pastors as we pray and plan for 2021.

Church of the Week: This week, please pray for SEBA as a whole, that we will be an Association that supports and encourages each other, and that we will be effective in helping to plant new churches across Kent, East & West Sussex and North Downs.

Scripture for the Month: "*For nothing will be impossible with God.*" And Mary said, "*Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.*" Isaiah 9:6-7a

Prayer for the Week:

Heavenly Father

*As we pass from Christmas into the New Year and think about what lies ahead,
in our dreaming, lead us by your Spirit,
in our planning, grant us wisdom and guidance,
and in our doing, give us the faith to act boldly,
That the words of Your Son, our Saviour, may be fulfilled, who said, "I will build
My Church".*

In His Name we ask it

Amen

Prayers for today

BMS World Mission:

Pray that BMS' work to provide clean water, sanitation and hygiene in Afghanistan

and Uganda would also be a beacon of spiritual hope and cleansing.

(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 schools in Nigeria. Last week, hundreds of schoolboys in the Nigerian state of Katsina were kidnapped in an attack since claimed by Boko Haram. We pray for safety for schoolchildren who have been affected, and that reuniting the three hundred still missing with their families will be swift. [#stayandpray](#)

Read more about this issue: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-55295701?fbclid=IwAR3TWEYTxaynhsDE2viPNpz4GhOShaeJADdDqf8O9FzjMOSmYNc4Ti_gL8Q

Baptist Union prayer diary for week beginning 27 December

*At the end of a year of upheaval and uncertainty for many,
we pray for all those
working to end this pandemic:
Gracious God,
give skill, sympathy and resilience
to all who are caring for the sick,
and your wisdom to those searching for a cure.
Strengthen them with your Spirit,
that through their work many will be restored to health;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Prayer taken from www.churchofengland.org

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