



# PRAYER THOUGHTS For May



**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May** : Holy Spirit guide the members of the Church Vision group which meets today. May God bless Patrick Edwards who is 17 today. Pray for all those attending the Weekly Prayer meeting. Remember in your prayers those attending the Signing course or the Soroptimists meeting.

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** : Pray for everyone involved in the Local Council Elections taking place today. May God grant wisdom to the voters to elect the most appropriate candidates. to serve on the Council. May God bless those coming to the Coffee Morning or the Craft Club. May God bless Daniel Shone who is 2 today.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** : May God bless the Pupils and Staff of Cuerden School who start their Mayday Holiday. Pray for those taking part in today's activities: Activate with Andy, the Alanon support group or the Organ practice - may God bless the time and involvement.

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May** : Pray for the Bereaved in our church and across the world. Continue to uphold in your prayers the people of Christchurch, New Zealand and the families of those killed in Sri Lanka - may the love of God surround them in their time of grief over the loss of loved ones.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May : 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter**

Holy Spirit bless the message that Henry Rose will bring to morning worship. Holy Spirit bless all those attending the Easter Offering service at Ashton in the afternoon. .



**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May : Mayday Bank Holiday.** Remember in your prayers the members of the AA group who meet today. Pray for Donald Porter who celebrates his birthday - may God bless him and his family at this time. Pray for a fine day to be able to enjoy the holiday.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May** : Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance for those attending the Annual Church Meeting of Trinity Methodist Church. May the Holy Spirit guide the thoughts of those attending the Circuit Ministry Team meeting. Pray for those attending the Methodist Diaconal Order Convocation

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May** : Pray for God's blessing for those attending the Weekly Prayer Meeting. Remember in your prayers the Sick in our church, the local community and across the World. Continue to pray for the NHS which seems to always be in crisis - may God guide it's work.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May** : May God bless all of today's activities: the Coffee Morning & lunch; the Craft Club; the Lighthouse youth group or the Trefoil Guild meeting. May God bless the fellowship of all those attending the Midweek Communion service led by Andrew Webb & Carol Poole.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May** : Remember in your prayers Megan Duigan who celebrates her birthday - may God bless her and her family on this special day. Pray for the ongoing work of the Street Pastors in the Preston and Chorley areas.

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May** : Pray for a fine day and a good turnout for the Spring Fair - may God bless the time and fellowship of all those who come to take part in the event. Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance for all those attending the Representative Synod.

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May : Christian Aid week begins.** Pray for the ongoing work of Christian Aid across the world. Pray for Andrew Webb who leads the morning communion service. Pray for all those attending the SPACE event at Fulwood.



**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May : Foster Care Fortnight begins**  
Pray for the ongoing work of Foster Carers & the children they look after. Pray for God's guidance for all those attending tonight's Annual Church Meeting. May God bless Betty Halsall who is 90 today.



**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May** : Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and wisdom to rest upon all those attending the Worship Planning Meeting. Pray for the ongoing work of the Parent & Toddlers group and the Skylarks Community choir.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May** : Remember in your prayers Eva and Donald Porter who celebrate their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary - may God bless them on this special occasion. Pray for all those attending the Prayer Meeting or the House group or the Soroptimists meeting or the Signing course.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May** : Pray for the World. Pray for peace among all nations. Pray for an end to racism. Pray for more religious tolerance among nations. Pray for an end inequality and poverty. Pray for God's blessing for those attending the Thursday Fellowship.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May** : Remember in your prayers today's activities: the Alanon support group, Activate with Andy and the Organ practice. Pray for the people of Bamber Bridge - may God continue to watch over them and help them to live in peace and harmony with each other.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May** : Pray for God's blessing for all those attending the Prayer Breakfast and Messy Church. Give thanks for weekends and time to rest from the rigours of the working week. Pray for God's support for those who have to work over the weekend.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May : Aldersgate Sunday.** Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance for the message that Kate Bosman will bring to the Pick & Mix service and that Rev Mark Slaney will bring to the evening service. Remember that today was the day when John Wesley's heart was "strangely warmed"

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May** : Remember in your prayers Peter Tran who celebrates his birthday - may God bless him and his family at this time. Pray for the ongoing work of the AA group, and the Brownies - may God continue to bless and guide their work.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May** : Pray for the families who come each week to the Parent & Toddlers group and those who organise the group week after week. Pray for those attending the Circuit Ministry Team meeting at Fulwood - may the Holy Spirit guide their thoughts and decisions.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** : Remember in your prayers Ian Roberts and Elinor Carruthers who celebrate their birthdays; all those attending the Circuit Leadership meeting at Ashton; the Weekly Prayer meeting or the Bible Month introduction session - may God bless all these events.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** ; May God bless today's activities:- the Coffee Morning & Lunch; the Midweek service; the Craft Club or the Lighthouse group. Pray for the Holy Spirit's inspiration for all those attending & taking part in the Ordinands Testimony service.

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May : Wesley Day** Remember in your prayers the staff and pupils of Cuerden School who start their half term holiday. Give thanks for the life, witness and inspiration of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Church.

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May :** May God bless everyone coming to the Coffee Morning or attending the Signing course. Pray for Theresa May and the Government as discussions over Brexit continue - may they be filled with the Holy Spirit's wisdom in resolving various issues.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May : 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter** May the Holy Spirit guide and inspire the message that Tony Bonser will bring to the morning service and may the Holy Spirit give us open hearts and minds to receive it.

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May :** Give thanks for the work of all the various community groups that use the facilities of Bamber Bridge Methodist Church. Give thanks for new people that God has sent to the church over the recent months.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May :** There are no planned groups or activities for today. Please take the time to bring before God your own prayers of personal concern or thanksgiving. As Jesus once said *"Come to me you that are heavy laden, and I will give you rest"*

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May :** May God bless all who come to the Weekly Prayer meeting or the Ecumenical Prayer Gathering at St Saviour's. Pray for Foster Carers across the country and the children they care for. Pray for all care professionals - may God continue to guide their work.

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May : Ascension Day**

Pray for God's blessing for all those attending the Circuit Ascension Day service - may they rejoice that Our Saviour has returned to heaven to reign in glory for ever.



**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May :** Remember in your prayers all of today's activities and those taking part in them :- the Alanon group, Activate with Andy toddlers session or the Organ practice. Give thanks for their work and dedication.