



Prayer
Guide

Sunday 01 October - Sunday 08 October 2023



'Be still, and know that I am God'

Psalm 46 v 10

As you start your time of prayer, begin by coming to God and waiting on Him.

Reflection Time

Take a moment to find a quiet space, free from distractions.

Close your eyes, breathe deeply.

Reflect on the above passage:

Be still – Give to God anything that is on your mind

Be still - He is bigger than anything you're facing – He is greater than any storm

'Know' that I am God - The meaning of this is to get acquainted. He doesn't just want you to know *about* Him, but to *know him personally*

I am God - He is the one who was, who is, and who is to come

Songs

[Wait – Phil Wickham](#)

[Lean Back - Maverick City](#)

'I am the LORD, who heals you'

Exodus 15 v 25

One of the names of God is *Jehovah Rapha* – meaning the God who heals.

We want to pray for those who need to know the 'God who heals' at the moment.

Pray for:

Steve and Carol Cornford as Carol has begun intensive chemotherapy treating the oesophagus cancer. Pray for the cancer to go and for grace, patience, faith and endurance on the journey.

Others you know in the church who are currently sick and who need to know the 'God who heals'.

Pray for those who are suffering emotional or mental pain. Psalm 147 v 3 says that God '**...heals** the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds'.

The way we can strengthen and encourage one another through prayer by praying in our life groups, prayer meetings and Sunday services.

Testimonies of healing in our church that will strengthen and encourage us and lead to adoration and worship to the 'God who heals'.

‘Our God is a God who saves’

Psalm 68 v 20

The gospel of Jesus Christ ‘...is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes’ Romans 1 v 16

We want to pray for people to encounter this good news and know the ‘God who saves’.

Pray for:

People you know – friends, family, neighbours, colleagues – to hear the good news of the gospel and encounter the ‘God who saves’. You may want to use the Alpha cards that are available in the prayer room to write the names of three people you are going to commit to pray for.

Opportunities this week to share your faith story with someone you know.

People to encounter the ‘God who saves’ through all the ministries we are involved in such as youth, parent and toddler groups, HOME Coffee House, KARs ministry and everything else that we do.

All those who have recently attended an Alpha course that they may fully step into a living relationship with Jesus.

Our Sunday services; that we would regularly see people respond to Jesus.

Baptisms; that we would regularly be baptising new disciples of Jesus Christ.

Praise the LORD, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples.

Psalm 117 v 1

The great commission calls us to make disciples of 'all nations' (Matthew 28 v 19); from Jerusalem to Judea to Samaria 'to the ends of the earth' (Acts 1 v 8).

We want to be a local church that has a heart for global mission
so that all nations may praise the Lord.

Pray for:

The New Ground family of churches that we are part of and for the nations where we currently have churches; England, Scotland, France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Romania, Brazil and South Africa. See <https://newgroundchurches.org/churches/>

The way that we, as a local church, engage in church planting and global mission. Historically, this has been part of our story and we want to continue to play our part now and in the future to make disciples of all nations.

Jim as he serves on the New Ground core team and has opportunities to serve churches in the UK and in other nations.

Our ongoing relationship with Edward and Fridah Buria in Kenya.

The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

Psalm 116 v 5

God is full of compassion and his compassion inspires and informs all that we do through our 'Love Your Neighbour' ministries.

We want to pray for these ministries and those that lead them.

Pray for:

King's Auto Repairs

Pete Williamson and the team who serve this ministry.

Wisdom as they handle enquiries and that they may know the presence of God with them.

King's Money Advice

Tor Asterley and all those who serve on her team.

Capacity as the cost-of-living crisis continues to impact so many.

Hope Into Action Mid-Sussex

Nigel Goodenough and Laura Goodesmith who work for Hope Into Action Mid-Sussex (HIA).

Wisdom and God's provision as we continue to get the right people and structures in place to support and sustain this ministry as a local church.

Each tenant in each HIA house – that they may continue to know and encounter God's love through the people who are supporting them.

HOME Coffee House/The King's Centre

Every one of the thousands of people who walk through our doors each month; that they may encounter something of the God who is full of compassion.