Wey Valley Circuit Prayer Diary August 2023

Jesus went up out to the mountain to pray, and he spent the time in prayer to God. (Luke 6:12)



Mt Niesen above the Lake of Thun, Bernese Oberland, Switzerland

This month's prayer suggestions are inspired by Holidays.

"Time Out" - Mountains and Hills

Tuesday 1st Be still and know I am God (Psalm 46:10) – Take some time to reflect upon your relationship with God and talk/pray to your Abba Father about your thoughts.

Wednesday 2nd The hills gird themselves with joy. (Psalm 66:12b)

Pray that after this period of 'Time Out' it will fill you with a newfound joy in the Lord's service.

Thursday 3rd On Mount Horeb, God said to Elijah, "What are you doing here? He replied, "I am isolated and alone". God replied, "I have a plan for you!' (1 Kings 19)
Take time to seek God's plan for you!

Friday 4th Jesus said to his Disciples, 'Remember I am with you always'. (Matthew 28: 20) Thank the Lord for his continual presence and the support of the Holy Spirit.

Saturday 5th Jesus said, "A city built on a hill cannot be hidden." (Matthew 5: 14) Pray for God's help that your life and witness will be like a city on a hill – so that others will see your witness and see God in it.

Sunday 6th *Transfiguration of our Lord, Hiroshima Day.*

Pray for the Worship and Mission at Addlestone, Byfleet and Woking Trinity and all who participate in it

Waters

Monday 7th Abraham said when he had unexpected visitors, "Let a little water be brought, to wash your feet", (Genesis 18:4)

Pray that God will enable us to see and serve the basic needs of all we meet.

Tuesday 8th 'The Psalmist said to God, 'You visit the earth with water and greatly enrich it' (Psalm 65:9) Pray that God will enrich your life and show you ways to share that with others.

Wednesday 9th The Psalmist said, "As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you O God. My soul thirsts for the living God". (Psalm 42) In your prayer time seek for the living God and the living water.

Thursday 10th The disciples said in fear, 'Who is this, that he commands the winds and water, and they obey him?' (Luke 8: 25)

Reflect on the almighty power of God - pray that God will help you to use it to serve.

Friday 11th 'Many waters cannot quench love' (Song of Solomon 8:7a)

Pray that God will fill us with that love as we seek to serve others in Christian love.

Saturday 12th Habakkuk said 'The earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the seas'. (Habakkuk 2: 14)

Pray for a greater depth of the knowledge of the Lord to cover the seas of your work for him.

Sunday 13thth Pray for the Worship and mission at Cranleigh, West Horsley and Weybridge – and all who participate in it.

New Horizons

Monday 14th The Lord said to Abram, 'I am God Almighty, walk before me, and be blameless and I will make my covenant between me and you. (Genesis 17:1)

Take time to reflect upon your covenant with God.

Tuesday 15th Ruth said to Naomi, 'Where you go, I will go, your people shall be my people, your God will be my God.' (Ruth 1:16)

Reflect on the implications of that statement. Pray for your own situation.

Wednesday 16th The Lord says stand at the crossroads and look for the good way. (*Jeremiah 6:16*) Ask the Lord to show you the way to go today and for wisdom and compassion to serve those we meet.

Thursday 17th The King said to Nehemiah, 'What do you request?' Nehemiah replied, 'Send me to Judah so that I may rebuild it.' (Nehemiah 2:4-5)

Talk to God about your response to a similar question.

Friday 18th The Angel appeared to Mary and Joseph and told them they were going have a baby, Jesus God's Son. (Gospel of Luke)

They replied, 'So be it! Reflect upon - how should you react to their example?

Saturday 19th Paul had a vision of a Macedonian pleading with him to come and help them; Paul and Silas responded immediately. (Acts 16: 9)

Ask God what your call may be and respond accordingly.

Pray for the ministry of 'Clothes4U' at Knaphill (2.00-4-00pm)

Sunday 20th Pray for the Worship and Mission at Merrow*, Godalming UC and Walton-on-Thames, and all who participate in it.

Restoration

Monday 21st The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want, through green pastures and still waters he restores my soul. (Psalm 23)

Thank the Lord for his love, support and care for you. How will you respond?

Tuesday 22nd Jesus said, "Come to me all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28)

Share your burdens and cares with the Lord and listen for the reply.

Wednesday 23rd Jesus responded to the lady who touched the hem of his garment in need and said, 'Your faith has made you well, go in peace.' (Luke 8:48) Pray in faith for Christ's healing for

Thursday 24th Zacchaeus had his life turned around when he met Jesus, who said, 'For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost' (*Luke 19:10*)

Thank God for his love that redeemed you.

Pray for the ministry of 'Coffee and Cake' at St Mary's, Guildford (10.30am-12.00 noon)

Friday 25th When the lost sheep was found and restored to the flock, Jesus said, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' (*Luke 15:6*)

Pray for the faith and courage to seek the lost.

Saturday 26th After the Resurrection Jesus met the disciples on the beach for breakfast, and challenged Peter who had denied him three times, 'Do you love me? Peter replied, 'You know I love you! Jesus said, 'Feed my lambs and sheep' (John 21;15-19)

Peter was forgiven and restored.

Pray that you, you can go forward restored and strengthened to 'Seek the Lost' in the service of our Lord. Amen

Pray for the ministry of the Knaphill Coffee Morning (10.00am-12.00noon).

Sunday 27th Pray for the Worship and Mission at Guildford St Mary's, Knaphill, Stoughton, and Sheerwater and all who participate in it.

Family and Friends

Monday 28th There was a wedding in Cana and Jesus, his brothers and disciples were invited to share in the celebrations with their friends and spent some together afterwards. (John 2:2,3,12) Give thanks for families and friendship and times of sharing.

Tuesday 29th Paul and Silas met Lydia in Philippi and after becoming a Christian, she invited them into her home. (*Acts 16:11-15*)

Pray for those who welcome others into their homes and offer friendship and security.

Wednesday 30th King David never forgot his friendship with Jonathan and when he heard that Jonathan's son was in need, he visited him and provided for him. (2 Samuel 9:1-11) Thank God for friends, family and neighbours who care for us when we are in need.

Thursday 31st Jesus said, 'I have called you friends, you did not choose me, but I chose you. (*John 15b-16*).

Give thanks to the Lord, that through his sacrifice on the cross as his committed followers we are, indeed his friends. Amen.

"What a friend we have in Jesus" (StF 531)

May God bless you all.

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*My humble apologies to the people of Merrow, who, despite much double checking, I missed off the list of churches last month. As you can see, this has now been corrected.