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## PRAY FOR LOCAL AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT



*‘Supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings should be made on behalf of all men: for kings and rulers in positions of responsibility, so that our common life may be lived in peace and quiet, with a proper sense of God and of our responsibility to him for what we do with our lives.’ 1 TIMOTHY 2:1,2 (JB PHILLIPS)*

**WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup>**. Lord, as millions of UK citizens prepare to vote tomorrow, we pray that candidates with integrity and wisdom will be elected. Please expose any wrongdoing during the election process. In Your mercy. We pray especially for those who will be working and voting at the polling station in our Large Hall. Amen

**THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> ELECTION DAY** Mighty God, we pray about today’s Scottish Parliament and Welsh Senedd elections, in addition to local elections across England for thousands of council seats and six directly elected mayors. May the turnout be high with fairness, peace and order in polling stations and count venues. In Your mercy. Amen.

**FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup>**. Lord we pray for all those who have been elected to serve their local communities and Parliaments through yesterdays elections. Give your wisdom so that they may serve with integrity, humility, fairness and compassion to work towards a society where all are valued and communities strengthened.

**SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup>**. Father God, as the Government lays out it’s agenda in the King’s Speech on the 13th May, we pray that You would lead and guide them as they plan their priorities. Help them to decide on the right things to pursue, that would protect the vulnerable, provide for the poor, give justice to the oppressed and honour You, our God. Give courage, we pray, to politicians to speak up for what is right and use their influence to shape policies and practice. Help those in government to implement the good they aim to do with truth and grace. In Jesus’ name. Amen

With thanks to CARE from whom these Prayer Points are taken and adapted..

[www.care.org.uk](http://www.care.org.uk)



## PRAY FOR COVENTRY CITY MISSION

### Serving God, Helping People in Need

We are a small Christian charity based in Coventry, aiming to support people at their various points of crisis; whether economic, emotional, social, educational or spiritual. Support is offered through a number of projects, groups and activities. We have a small number of paid employees, but are reliant on volunteers to support our projects. Our aim is to serve the needs of the local community – sharing God’s love while supporting those most in need.



Our projects include: a weekly **Eldercare** lunch club and various ‘Holiday from Home’ daytrips over the spring and summer months, weekly **Men’s breakfast**, Pay-what-you-can **café** and second hand **shop** open 3 days a week, weekly **gardening club**, weekly **Connect in the Café** – café style act of worship, **Bible Chat** group for those wanting to explore faith and the bible more, **Foodbank** open 4 days a week.

### Prayer points

#### Provision:

- Please pray for financial provision for our ongoing work and for any new projects proposed, for guidance as to possible grants and funders and for positive responses.
- Please pray for more trustees and volunteers, where needed, and for new people to join our list of praying supporters.

#### Practical issues:

- Pray for the practical issues we face being in a building that is over 130 years old – ongoing issues with our drains, minor issues across the building, and especially a major problem we currently have with our café floor.
- For our café floor, pray for connections with the right experts, that they will know what we need to do, and that it comes in within our very small budget. Pray that we can work within current space limitations and still do God's will.



**Protection:**

- Please pray for protection over the Mission building and grounds (especially when empty) and for all who serve at the Mission. Pray for the health and wellbeing of all staff, volunteers and trustees, so we can be more resilient as an organisation and do all that is God's will for us.

**Possibilities:**

- For God's leading in all we do. Pray that we may have discerning hearts to know His will and timing for our future, and to know how best to support those more in need in the local area.



For further information see our website:  
[covcitymission.org.uk](http://covcitymission.org.uk)

## PRAY FOR THE LIGHT HOUSE



Light House (Christian Care Ministry) Trust Ltd, provides counselling and supervision services for clients and counsellors from a wide area around Coventry, Warwickshire and the West Midlands.

Light House was founded 40 years ago by 3 members of Queen's Road who had a vision to provide a counselling service which was available to all regardless of ability to pay. The words from the Bible in the book of Isaiah chapter 61, was, and still is, the foundation stone for the work of The Light House and underpins all that they do.

In recent times Light House has undergone challenges and change as they seek to continue to serve clients, transform lives and provide a safe listening space into the future.

### Prayer points

- Future of Light House and direction – that the 5 new Trustees will settle and find a rhythm
- We give thanks for God's faithfulness. Please pray that God continues to direct our steps and guide our paths
- Building works and funds as there are a few structural things that need sorting – it's great having our own building, but maintenance can be tricky.
- The cream tea on the 13<sup>th</sup> May, that it will be well received and appreciated and keep good connections.
- The 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary Thanksgiving service to be held at QRBC on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September, that we do the right thing by God and give thanks, and that there's good attendance.
- Pray for the wellbeing of staff and volunteers, and for our clients that they will experience healing and renewed life through counselling.

To find out more check out our website: [www.lighthousechristiancare.co.uk](http://www.lighthousechristiancare.co.uk)

## PRAY FOR GLOBAL CARE



Global Care is an international Christian Children's charity working to support children living in extreme poverty overseas, particularly those children who face multiple barriers to escaping that poverty. Children living in extreme poverty have many needs – food, shelter, medicine. They often also face further barriers stopping them from getting help – ethnic discrimination, disability, even their gender. Global Care works with a huge number of children to break the cycle of poverty for them in the long term. Global Care helps children access education and improve the quality of the education they receive, because education is the key to a better future.

### **The Hope Centre, Damascus, Syria**

QRBC supports Global Care through regular giving, helping to fund The Hope Centre in Syria. Syria is facing a severe crisis: over two million children are out of school, 40% of school buildings have been damaged or destroyed, and 83% of families now live below the poverty line. Through its partnership with the Hope Centre, a registered Syrian humanitarian organisation, Global Care helps vulnerable children access education and emotional support. The Hope Centre runs School Clubs for children aged 5–8, giving them basic literacy and numeracy teaching, a safe place to play, and therapeutic support. These children have grown up surrounded by war and violence, and the clubs offer stability, care, and hope for their future.

### **Immediate Prayer Needs**

- finance for the project in Syria – so we can keep funding this incredible project. Pray also for the provision of a way forward to keep financing a project in an incredibly politically volatile region
- the counsellors working with children who have suffered so much trauma through the chaos and conflict of the last 14 years
- peace and joy for the children at the Hope Centre, progress in learning and healing of emotional wounds
- protection for the staff and children in an incredibly unstable region.
- wisdom and energy for the team at the Hope Centre



For more information go to [www.globalcare.org](http://www.globalcare.org)



## PRAY FOR BMS WORLD MISSION

**BMS World Mission has a vision** : to work towards a world where all can experience faith in Christ and the abundant life only He provides & to get the right people, resources and skills to the right places following God's right timing & guidance.

That means:

- **Sending** people from everywhere to everywhere, equipping Christians & churches to help others right where they are.
- **Training** church planters & evangelists in new discipleship strategies
- **Empowering** local churches to serve their communities
- **Providing** vital services & relief to people who need it as efficiently & sustainably as possible.

It means doing all that with a commitment to the dignity of all humans & value for all God's creation & the resources He's given us.

So - **PLEASE PRAY: S-T-E-P**

**You might also wish to focus your prayers on one particular situation/need.**

BMS World Mission has supported the work of **Guinebor 11 (G2) Hospital in Chad** for many years.

**Please pray for Kalbassou Doubassou** , nurse-surgeon Hospital Director.

**Thank God** for his dedication & service & pray for energy, strength & wisdom for him & for the staff. **Pray** especially that the Lord will bless the hospital with another surgeon to help meet the increasing demand & spread the load.

**Extra information** is available online from [bmsworldmission.org](http://bmsworldmission.org)

If you are praying in the Westminster Room at Queens Road you will find copies of 'Engage' magazine & the current 'Prayer Guide' to help inform your prayers

# PRAY FOR OPEN DOORS



## Where faith looks impossible, God is doing the impossible!

Every day over **388 million** Christians risk their lives to follow Jesus.

That's one in every **7** believers world-wide.

**Open Doors** supports them by supplying Bibles, providing emergency relief & helping persecuted believers stand strong for the long-term. In the UK & Ireland, Open Doors helps the church to pray, give & speak out for those who share our faith but not our freedom.

**Open Doors' World Watch List** is an annual ranking of the **50** countries where Christians face the most extreme persecution. We are encouraged to explore the country profiles to find information, stories & prayers for each of the countries, along with ways to pray & stand with our persecuted church family.

Here are the 'Top 10' countries on Open Doors' Watch List, where the level of persecution is extreme:

- **NORTH KOREA**
- **SOMALIA**
- **YEMEN**
- **SUDAN**
- **ERITREA**
- **SYRIA**
- 7. NIGERIA**
- 8. PAKISTAN**
- 9. LIBYA**
- 10. IRAN**

**Please pray now** for the believers in one of these countries.

If you can, go to the Open Doors UK & Ireland website: [www.opendoorsuk.org](http://www.opendoorsuk.org)  
Here you will find information, stories and prayers for each country.