

Sat 23 ... O God, we pray for all the children of Abraham in Israel and Palestine and in every country of the world. We pray for Muslims, Jews and Christians that we will draw on the best of our traditions to guide us away from words and acts of division and discrimination so that everyone may be free to live in safety. Protect the vulnerable, strengthen the fearful and comfort the grieving.

Sun 24 ... Palm Sunday. Pray for Wai Meng and Alex leading and preaching today.

Mon 25 ... Pray for all the Doctors, nurses and people working within our NHS.

Tue 26 ... Pray for Iranian converts claiming religious persecution if they return to Iran. Pray for the judges across Europe who are having a tough time deciding whether asylum seekers claiming they are Christians are genuine. Pray for those Iranians coming to St. Marys who are having to convince the Home Office that they are genuine in their Christian faith.

Wed 27 ... **(Interserve)** Pray for the new obstetricians who have started work at the hospital in Pakistan where our former mission partner Dr. Elspeth served for many years, and pray that the hospital will meet the requirements for the regional government inspection.

Thu 28 ... Maundy Thursday. As we share communion together tonight, we remember our Lord, having supper with his friends before his death.

Fri 29... Let us dwell with our Lord in the darkness of this day, thanking him for his death on the cross for us. We have a three-hour service from 12noon to 3pm

Sat 30 ... God of the universe, who created the towering mountains and boundless seas, fill our hearts with such gratitude for your creation that we may be filled with repentance for our destructive actions, and may be compelled to do all we can to restore its beauty. Amen

Sun 31 ... "Alleluia, Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia! "Lord of all, you defeated death so that we could live; guide us as we witness to the power and glory of the risen Christ".

Please supply any prayer requests for April 2024 by Wednesday 27th March 2024 to clarehawkes000@gmail.com



March 2024

Interserve is involved in Christian missions across Asia, the Middle East and the UK, seeking to bring God's love in word and deed to those who need it most. Our mission partner is Christine Morris who has been in India for over 20 years helping to educate the more deprived children and to train students in this work.

Mission Secretary: Mary-Jean Bartlett

Please pray or thank God for...

Fri 1 ... (Interserve) Pray for renewed health and strength for Christine who has not been well for several weeks, as she travels to check up on schools' progress teaching children with special needs, in other parts of India.

Sat 2 ... This morning is a Prayer Breakfast, please make this a priority as we come together to pray for the process of finding our next Incumbent.

Sun 3 ... Pray for Wai Meng and Angela leading and preaching today at the Whole Church Communion. Tonight is a Taize service.

Mon 4 ... CMS Mission partners Ben and Katy Ray:

Give thanks that an old hotel has become available to use for their new work including a deaf-run cafe, training facilities for the disabled, a worship space and office. Pray that God will provide the money for this work.

Tue 5 ... Pray for the Baby and Toddler group operating today. Pray for those in our church and wider community who are ill, bereaved, and are facing real hardships and life-changing events in their lives.

Wed 6 ... God is with you, wherever you may be and whatever you may choose to do. When might you most need to keep this in mind?

Thu 7 ... Mothering Sunday is this coming Sunday. Pray for all families, and the pressures that face children and young people today. Pray for protection, openness, honesty and respect.

Fri 8 ... Pray for those who have been bereaved or have suffered a sense of loss over the past few years, and are finding life difficult without a loved one.

Sat 9 ... Pray for local food banks. Pray for those who need to access the food bank and for those who give their time to volunteer to serve and to resource supplies.

Sun 10 ... Mothering Sunday. Pray for Archdeacon Catherine who is preaching today, and the opportunity to meet her informally.

Mon 11 ... The food cupboard is open today, distributing food to those in need. Pray for the PCC meeting tonight. Pray for all the usual business that needs to happen, preparation for the APCM, and plans to choose a new incumbent.

Tue 12 ... CMS Mission partners: Pray for Ben and Katy as they cope with higher living expenses. They are considering changing their residence status (from volunteer missionaries) to paid employees of investors, so they can supplement support from CMS.

Wed 13 ... Pray for those meeting together in small groups or with a friend, to share in bible study and prayer this Lent. Thank God for those who have

committed themselves to some act of service for their family of community at this time.

Thu 14 ... (Interserve) Pray that Christine's visa to continue working in India will be renewed without any problem, due this month.

Fri 15 ... Pray for the elderly. Those alone and struggling with the cost of living or medical issues. Pray they receive support from family, charities and the local community. Do you know somebody who would benefit from a cup of tea and your company?

Sat 16 ... Somalia is the second most dangerous place on earth to be a Christian. It has seen a significant increase in violence, alongside extreme pressure for Christians. Islamic militants have increasingly focused on identifying and eliminating Christian leaders. Please pray for them.

Sun 17 ... Pray for Alex and Jonny leading and preaching today. Thank God for all who volunteer to make sure services happen; our wardens, technical team, Cosmos team, welcomers, and those who do the readings and prayers.

Mon 18 ... SAT-7: Give thanks that SAT- 7 is able to support and bring hope, comfort and the love of God to many countries in the Middle East. Pray that the war will come to an end and the loss of life will stop.

Tue 19 ... Tonight is our monthly prayer meeting, as we come together to pray for ourselves, those in need and the wider world. It is a real privilege to bring these things to God in prayer.

Wed 20 ... (Interserve) pray for those in the UK who are considering mission partner opportunities that they may know the plans God has for them.

Thu 21 ... Ukraine CMS Mission Partner Alison Giblett.

Give thanks that people are seeing the power of God, even on the frontline. Pray for more chaplains and an end to the war. It is now 2 years since the Russian invasion. Alison is having a break in Australia from the fighting in Ukraine, staying with her sister. Pray that she will be able to get to Papua New Guinea where she was born.

Fri 22 ... Pray for local schools and their staff. Pray about all the pressures faced by pupils and school staff and ask for God's love and peace to break into difficult situations.

