

Prayer Diary – October 2021

"When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?"

Psalm 8:3-4

1 Friday October is Black History Month. Pray for fairness in the criminal justice system, and an end to racial prejudice.	9 Saturday We pray for <i>Prisons Week</i> which starts tomorrow. As we join in prayer with churches and organisations across the England and Wales, pray that God would stir hearts and transform lives during the week.
2 Saturday Pray for all those in prison engaging in this week's Bible Study, that God would remind them they are not alone and have people praying for them.	10 Sunday – Prison Sunday Today is World Mental Health Day. Pray for the many prisoners who suffer mental health conditions. Pray they will receive relief and peace of mind, and that mental health conditions may be considered during sentencing.
3 Sunday Our Communications Officer, Ryan Galpin, will be preaching at St. Andrew's Church, Bournemouth this morning. Please pray for Ryan as he speaks and for open hearts and minds for those listening. Calum Crombie and Luke Johnson are running the London Marathon today in aid of PF.	11 Monday We thank God for the incredible work done by all the organisations and charities partnering together for <i>Prisons Week</i> . We pray that God would continue to bless their work as they continue to support and care for all people affected by prison.
4 Monday We thank God for the ministry of prison chaplains and ask today that God would continue to strengthen and refresh them and speak clearly through them into the lives of those they work with.	12 Tuesday Today is the Annual PF Board Strategy Day. We thank God for the time our trustees freely give to governing PF and pray for wisdom and discernment as they meet together. There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting at HMP Highpoint today.
5 Tuesday – Prayer Line request J prays that he would soon be released on tag and that his cell mate would receive the Holy Spirit.	13 Wednesday There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting at HMP Send today and three courses holding their last session at HMP Norwich, HMP Springhill and HMP Whitemoor.
6 Wednesday There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting at HMP Wayland today. Pray for every new learner, that they will feel welcomed and safe, and have courage and determination as they begin the course.	14 Thursday The final session of two <i>Sycamore Tree</i> courses are taking place at HMP Rochester and HMP Thorn Cross today. Pray that these sessions, when learners present their acts of restitution, will be transformational.
7 Thursday A Week 6 <i>Sycamore Tree</i> session is taking place at HMP Risley today.	
8 Friday Pray that, as we engage in this week's Bible Study, we would be reminded of Jesus' challenge to not store up earthly wealth but focus on everlasting treasure.	

15	Friday Our CEO, Peter Holloway, will be on UCB Radio's <i>Friday Round Up</i> with Paul Hammond today. Pray for Peter as he shares and for all those listening. There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting at HMP Highpoint today.	24	Sunday A week on from <i>Prisons Week</i> , we pray for those churches who engaged for the first time, or were inspired to deeper engagement. May the message of hope and grace resonate and may they become a blessing to many.
16	Saturday Today, at 9am, we are praying together on Zoom as part of the Prisons Prayer Partnership 24 Hours of Prayer for <i>Prisons Week</i> .	25	Monday At the start of a new week, pray for the PF Support Team who are in a busy season. May they know God's peace within the rush, and continue to be a strong and unified team.
17	Sunday This week's Bible Study is based on Isaiah 53. Ask God to draw close to those in prison as they contemplate this week's study, that it may be a blessing to them.	26	Tuesday – Prayer Line request B asks for prayer for his mental health which is deteriorating. He is finding everything hard.
18	Monday There is a <i>Letter Link</i> training happening today. There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting at HMP Altcourse and two ending at HMP Isis and HMP Wormwood Scrubs.	27	Wednesday As our <i>Angel Tree</i> teams start to receive applications, pray for all the complex organisation that now needs to happen to get the right present to each child. May they have clear minds and calm hearts as they work.
19	Tuesday – Prayer Line request S would like to pray for a Prison Officer who has been absent from prison.	28	Thursday There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting at HMP Warren Hill today.
20	Wednesday God, give us the courage to walk forward into your plans today, so that we might show Your love to those in prison.	29	Friday Today is the Prison Ministry Conference , hosted by Alpha UK. Pray the Holy Spirit will guide attendees to grow in their faith and knowledge to be as disciples in seeking and ministering to the hearts of prisoners.
21	Thursday There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting at HMP Risley and courses ending at HMP Ford and HMP Isis.	30	Saturday Today is PF Scotland's 40th Anniversary. Thank God for the PF Scotland team and the incredible work they do to show Christ's love to people in prison.
22	Friday – Prayer Line request S asks for prayer for his brothers and sisters who are finding life hard now.	31	Sunday This week's Bible Study is looking at the story of Ruth. Pray it would encourage and grow the faith of those in prison.
23	Saturday As we examine ourselves and ask what we would like Jesus to do for us, pray that God would transform selfish desires into selfless hearts.		

"Pray continually" 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



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