# Prayer Diary – November 2022



"Take all the help you can get, every weapon God has issued so that when it's all over but the shouting, you'll still be on your feet."

Ephesians 6:13b.

#### 1 Tuesday – All Saints' Day

Pray people in prison know they are part of the communion of Saints and can build God's Kingdom through their daily lives.

Sycamore Tree starts today at HMP Onley and ends at HMP Preston and HMP Rochester.

#### 2 Wednesday

On National Stress Awareness Day, we lift up those in our prisons experiencing stress, anxiety or related mental illness.

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMP Wayland.

# 3 Thursday

Our volunteer recruitment event takes place today. Pray for good attendance and a great enthusiasm from participants. Visit

prisonfellowship.org.uk/joinus for more information.

Sycamore Tree courses are starting today at HMP Berwyn and HMP Thorn Cross.

4 Friday – Prayer Line request R asks for prayer that he can add his family and friends to his telephone list.

# 5 Saturday – Bible Study

As we are encouraged to 'stand firm' in this week's *Bible Study*, pray people in prison can stand firm in their faith.

# 6 Sunday

Pray for our CEO Peter Holloway who will be on Jonathan Veira's show this evening.

With 50 days until Christmas, pray for our *Angel Tree* teams hard at work ensuring presents are sent to children.

#### 7 Monday

At the start of Trustees Week, we thank God for all our incredible trustees who freely give of their time to support PF.

Sycamore Tree starts at HMP Brixton today and ends at HMP Lancaster Farms.

# 8 Tuesday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMP Newhall.

# 9 Wednesday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses ending today at HMP Northumberland and HMP Winchester.

# 10 Thursday – Prayer Line request J's friend has passed away. He asks for prayer for himself and his friend's family.

#### 11 Friday

As part of Chester Cathedral's Christian Controversies series, Rev Shawn Verhey, Managing Chaplain at HMP/YOI Thorn Cross, speaks today about restorative justice and Sycamore Tree. Pray those listening would be inspired and encouraged to find out more.

# 12 Saturday – Bible Study

People in prison rang *Prayer*Line on the passing of Her
Majesty Queen Elizabeth II with
prayers and condolences. Pray
this week's study comparing her
to the prophet Isaiah would
help them to engage and
understand the passage in
greater depth.

# 13 Sunday – Remembrance Sunday

Pray for those in our prisons who have served in the Armed Forces for whom today holds a special significance.

# 14 Monday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses ending today at HMP Thameside and HMP Wormwood Scrubs.

# 15 Tuesday

Our *Bible Study* writing group meets today. May the studies they produce encourage all in prison who read them.

#### 16 Wednesday

Thank God for the service of our CEO Peter Holloway who has led PF for seven years today.

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMP Swaleside.

#### 17 Thursday

There are two Sycamore Tree courses starting today at HMP Hollesley Bay and HMP Warren Hill one ending at HMP Wealstun.

#### 18 Friday

There are Sycamore Tree courses ending today at HMP Buckley Hall and HMP Coldingley.

# 19 Saturday – Bible Study

As people in prison read this week's study, pray they would know God is their 'refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.'

Prison Fellowship is attending Life Call at Liverpool Cathedral today. Ask that hearts would be open to the call of prison ministry.

# 20 Sunday

Restorative Justice Week starts today. Thank God that His justice is always tailored to restoring us.

# 21 Monday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMP Onley.

# 22 Tuesday

Our CEO Peter is attending an event at the House of Lords

hosted by our patron, Bishop Rachel Treweek, on the impact of long-term sentencing. Thank God for the work of Bishop Rachel and pray for compassion and great conversations at today's event.

#### 23 Wednesday

Our Christmas appeal for Angel Tree launches next week. Pray people would be led to give joyfully and generously.

#### 24 Thursday

The Free Church Prison Chaplains Conference takes place today. Pray for everyone attending, that their time would be formative and inspiring.

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMYOI Feltham.

# 25 Friday

Today is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. Pray for the 53% of women in prison who have experienced emotional, physical, or sexual abuse. May they find restoration.

# 26 Saturday – Bible Study

As we join with people in prison in this week's *Bible Study*, may we look kindly and find goodness in those around us.

# 27 Sunday

On this first day of Advent, we pray that our hearts will again be prepared to receive Christ Jesus, and to make His love known through our work in prison.

28 Monday – Prayer Line request M asks for prayer for his family that, upon release, he can sort through issues with his wife and they can be a family again.

# 29 Tuesday

Our Christmas appeal begins today. Pray many people will be moved to give generously, bringing joy to families separated by prison this Christmas.

Sycamore Tree starts today at HMP Onley and ends at HMP Humber.

#### 30 Wednesday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMP Wymott.

"Pray continually" 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



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