Prayer Diary – July 2023



'In this way the priest will make atonement for the community, and they will be forgiven.'

Leviticus 4:20b

- This week's Bible Study Invites people in prison to consider how they can do right by the people around them. Ask that God would encourage and sustain everyone who reads this study.
- 2 Sunday
 Lord, we pray today for all PF
 volunteers who are struggling
 with their health. May they know
 Your healing and restoration.
- Monday
 While we may be enjoying the summer weather, please do pray for people in prison who are stuck inside hot cells some with no windows and are enduring excruciating heat.
- 4 Tuesday Prayer Line request F asks us to pray for the peace of God on his mind and for God to take control of his court hearing. He asks for the mercy of God to speak for him and thanks God for His protection.
- 5 Wednesday
 There is a Sycamore Tree course
 ending at HMP Winchester
 today.
- Thursday
 There are two Sycamore Tree
 courses ending today at HMP
 Hindley and HMP Pentonville.

- 7 Friday
 Our Programmes Coordinator,
 Tim, is selecting books for
 Angel Tree. Pray for
 discernment and wisdom as he
 chooses which books are sent
 out this Christmas.
- 8 Saturday Bible Study
 As people in prison read this
 week's Bible Study, pray they
 would understand God as their
 fortress.
- 9 Sunday *Prayer Line* request B asks for prayer for help to get him through his time in prison as it is his first time inside. He asks for prayer for guidance, support and safety.
- There are two Sycamore Tree courses ending today at HMP Altcourse and HMP Wormwood Scrubs.
- Fiona Spargo Mabbs is a victim of crime for *Sycamore Tree* and Director of the DSM Foundation. Today she receives an OBE for her work in drugs education with young people. Thank God for the powerful work of DSM Foundation.
- 12 Wednesday
 There is a Sycamore Tree course ending at HMP Forest Bank.

- Thursday
 There is a Sycamore Tree course ending today at HMP Wealstun.
- 14 Friday Prayer Line request S asks for prayer for his mental health and insomnia. He feels that he is under pressure and prays for safety and for peaceful nights.
- This week's Bible Study helps us think about how creation reflects the glory of God. Ask God that this message would resonate with those engaging with the study in prison.
- We thank God for each of the faith communities who have signed up to The Welcome Directory, committing to becoming a safe space for people who leave prison.
- 17 Monday
 There is a Sycamore Tree course ending at HMP Lewes.
- Tuesday
 Today, on his birthday, we thank
 God for our CEO, Peter
 Holloway.

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting at HMP Humber and another ending at HMP Liverpool today.

19 Wednesday
As many of our Support Team
and volunteers take time off
over the summer holidays, pray
they can rest well and come
back refreshed.

- M thanks God for answering the prayers he previously shared with *Prayer Line*. He asks that we pray for his eldest son who is having a bad time at the moment. He also asks that we pray as he applies to move to a lower category prison.
- Today is our online Exploring
 Prison Ministry event. Pray for
 good attendance and a great
 enthusiasm from those
 interested in volunteering.

Visit <u>prisonfellowship.org.uk/joinus</u> for more information.

- 22 Saturday Bible Study
 As people in prison read this
 week's Bible Study about the
 Parable of the Weeds, pray that
 they would be receptive to the
 Word of God.
- 23 Sunday *Prayer Line* request R requests prayer for happiness for his wife and the future of their marriage. He thanks God for everyone praying for him.
- Today, we pray for all the people starting a new job in prison. May they find the support they need from colleagues to grow in their role and enable them to complete their tasks well.
- Tuesday
 There is a Sycamore Tree course ending today at HMP Stocken.

- 26 Wednesday Prayer Line request
 J asks for prayer for peace of mind. He will be released very soon but is anxious that he may be transferred to a different prison before his release.
 - There are two Sycamore Tree courses ending today at HMP Send and HMP Wymott.
- Thursday
 There is a Sycamore Tree course ending at HMP Downview.
- 28 Friday
 Today, Angel Tree Coordinators
 are gathering to plan for
 Christmas 2023. Pray that their
 time together would be fruitful.

- 29 Saturday Bible Study
 This week's Bible Study explores
 the theme of prayer. Thank God
 that He hears the prayers of
 every person in prison.
- Today is the International Day of Friendship. We thank God for all the friendships built through Letter Link. Pray they would be a continued source of encouragement for our volunteers and those they write to in prison.
- 31 Monday
 There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMP Brixton.

'Pray continually' 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



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