# Prayer Diary – April 2024



'Neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.'

Romans 8:39

#### 1 Easter Monday

As we continue to celebrate resurrection life and new beginnings, we pray for those leaving prison this month. Ask God to accompany them as they return home and to guide them in their future.

#### 2 Tuesday

Today is World Autism Day. Please pray for the neurodiversity services in prison, which support those with neurodivergent conditions. Ask God's blessing upon these services and the people they assist.

## 3 Wednesday

Today we are holding our first online Volunteer Basic Training event for new Volunteers. Ask God to fill the hearts of those attending and equip them with all they need to thrive in this new role with PF.

#### 4 Thursday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting at HMP Risley today. As many new *Sycamore Tree* courses begin this month, pray that God would accompany each learner on this six-week journey.

#### 5 Friday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting at HMP Buckley Hall today.

#### 6 Saturday – Bible Study

This week's *Bible Study* encourages us to live in the light of Jesus by focusing our lives on things that are pleasing to God. Pray that those reading would understand God's goodness and seek to reflect Jesus' light in their own lives.

# Sunday – Prayer Line request D asks for God's blessing over all the

chaplaincy and prison staff.

# 8 Monday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting at HMP Garth, HMP High Down and HMP Lindholme today.

# 9 Tuesday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting at HMP Liverpool and HMP New Hall today.

#### 10 Wednesday

Our *Bible Studies* writing group is meeting tonight. Ask God to guide them as they compose the right words to share the love and light of Jesus with those in prison.

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting at HMP Send today and one ending at HMP Swinfen Hall.

#### 11 Thursday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting at HMP Hollesley Bay and HMP Warren Hill today.

Pray for our Programmes Co-ordinator Tim, as he undergoes surgery on his knee today.

#### 12 Friday

Thank God for our Office Volunteers, Paul and Bob, who help keep things running smoothly in the office. Pray for God's blessing over their lives as they both celebrate their birthdays this week!

#### 13 Saturday – Bible Study

We can all feel angry, though this week's *Bible Study* reminds us that talking to God can help. Pray that those in prison would trust in God in times of anger or difficulty and that He would bring them peace.

#### 14 Sunday – Prayer Line request

R has asked for prayer for his partner, mum and sister. He asks that they are safe and that they can all enjoy the Lord's love as a family when he is released.

# 15 Monday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting at HMP Lewes today.

#### 16 Tuesday

We have an *Exploring Prison Ministry* event today for those considering volunteering with PF. Pray that God would bring willing minds and serving hearts to grow our team.

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting today at HMP Highpoint, HMP Woodhill, HMP Leicester and HMP Stocken. There is also one ending at HMP The Mount.

#### 17 Wednesday

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

#### 18 Thursday

Please pray for our Programmes Coordinator Tim, as he explores new books for *Angel Tree* Christmas 2024.

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting at HMP Belmarsh and HMP Hindley today.

# 19 Friday

Ask God to bless our new *Pastoral Care* work and pray that this ministry would grow and flourish to help those in prison dealing with grief and loss.

# 20 Saturday – Bible Study

This week's *Bible Study* teaches us that our hearts can be at rest when we lean into God. Pray that those reading would encounter the love and peace of God and lean into Him during times of trouble.

#### 21 Sunday – Prayer Line request

M prays that he can speak to the prison chaplain and asks for boldness to open up about all the things on his mind.

#### 22 Monday

Over the course of a year, we plan to pray for every prison in England and Wales. This month, we are praying for: Rochester, Rye Hill, Send, Spring Hill, Stafford, Standford, Stocken, Stoke Heath, Styal and Sudbury.

#### 23 Tuesday

Over two days, PF Europe and Central Asia are holding an online annual forum where leaders gather to discuss future plans. Ask God to guide and equip all those present.

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

#### 24 Wednesday

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

# 25 Thursday

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

#### 26 Friday

Pray for those in prison facing any type of addiction. Ask God for chains to be broken and healing to take place over bodies, spirits and minds.

# 27 Saturday – Bible Study

We are reminded of Jesus as the Vine in this week's *Bible Study*. And we are encouraged that, when we remain in Him, we can produce good fruit. Pray that those in prison would encounter God's grace and for their lives to produce fruitful experiences.

There is a Sycamore Tree Group Facilitator training event in London today. Please pray that God would guide this event and prepare those attending to thrive in this role. Please also pray for safe travel.

## 28 Sunday – *Prayer Line* request

T asks that God's mercy would be upon him and that God would lead him down the right paths. He also requests prayer for his partner and asks for healing over their relationship.

#### 29 Monday

We are recruiting for a Personal Assistant and Office Administrator to support our CEO and Board of Trustees and to offer administrative assistance to our Support Team. Please ask God to provide someone for this role and for a smooth recruitment process.

#### 30 Tuesday

Today, we lift to God, all the staff in prisons. As many prisons reach maximum capacity, pray that God would strengthen and equip staff with all they need to manage these challenging circumstances.



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