

## Prayer Diary – May 2024

*'For John baptised with water, but in a few days you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'*

Acts 1:5

1	<b>Wednesday</b> Lord, today we thank you for all the wonderful Spiritual gifts that you have given us. Help us to embrace our differences, using them to serve and love those in prison to glorify your Name.	9	<b>Thursday</b> The group that writes our <i>Bible Studies</i> are meeting this evening. Ask that God would enable these resources to reach many people in prison, bringing comfort and peace to places of darkness.  There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course ending today at HMP Risley.
2	<b>Thursday</b> There are <i>Sycamore Tree</i> courses starting at HMP Fosse Way and HMP Wealstun today.	10	<b>Friday</b> Our Business Manager, Rachel Coulson, moves on from working at PF today. Thank God for Rachel and pray for her as she starts her new role, asking for God's blessing in this new season.  There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course ending today at HMP Buckley Hall.
3	<b>Friday – Prayer Line Request</b> B has asked for prayer as she is experiencing racial discrimination from others. Pray that B would reach out for support from staff.	11	<b>Saturday – Bible Study</b> This week's <i>Bible Study</i> explores our faith and God's power. Pray that this study of Ephesians 1 helps those in prison grow in their knowledge and experience of God.
4	<b>Saturday – Bible Study</b> Love is our focus in this week's <i>Bible Study</i> , as we follow Jesus' command to 'love each other'. Pray that all who read this study would encounter God's love and learn how to extend this love to others.	12	<b>Sunday</b> Thy Kingdom Come, a global ecumenical prayer movement, runs until 19 <sup>th</sup> May. Pray for God's Kingdom to come on earth, especially in prisons.
5	<b>Sunday</b> Today we pray for all those in prison attending Chapel services. Ask that they would encounter God's love and peace during this time of prayer and worship.	13	<b>Monday</b> There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> Tutor gathering today. Ask that God would be present during this time to guide, equip and strengthen all Tutors to continue their incredible work through <i>Sycamore Tree</i> .  There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting today at HMP Thorn Cross and two ending at HMP Garth and HMP Lindholme.
6	<b>Monday</b> Kathryn Sole has recently joined the PF Support Team as our new Quality Assurance Internal Moderator. Please pray for Kathryn as she settles in and thank God for bringing her to the team.	14	<b>Tuesday</b> During Mental Health Awareness week, please pray for the improvement of mental health care in prisons.  There are <i>Sycamore Tree</i> courses ending at HMP Liverpool and HMP New Hall today.
7	<b>Tuesday</b> The Free Churches Prison Chaplains Conference is running over the next three days. Please pray for our CEO, Peter Holloway, who will be giving the opening address and for our Operations Manager, Stephen, who will also be attending.		
8	<b>Wednesday</b> The interviews for our new CEO will be taking place this month. Pray that God would guide this process and equip PF with the right person to lead us going forward.		

15	<p><b>Wednesday</b> As we celebrate International Families Day, pray for all those in prison separated from their families. Invite God to heal, restore and strengthen family ties where they have been broken.</p> <p>There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting today at HMP Swaleside and one ending at HMP Send.</p>	23	<p><b>Thursday</b> There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting today at HMP Berwyn and two ending at HMP Belmarsh and HMP Hindley.</p>
16	<p><b>Thursday</b> The Board of Trustees are meeting today. Thank God for the commitment of our Board members and ask that He would give them wisdom in their decision making.</p> <p>There are <i>Sycamore Tree</i> courses ending at HMP Hollesley Bay, HMP Warren Hill and HMP Swansea today.</p>	24	<p><b>Friday – Prayer Line Request</b> J asks for prayer over her unborn baby. She also requests prayer for her partner, who is also in prison, that he may be able to see the baby scan and share in this journey.</p>
17	<p><b>Friday</b> There is a Baptist conference in Telford over the next two days where we have a stand to promote PF's work. Pray that through this, more Volunteers would step forward to become part of our ministry.</p> <p>There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting today at HMP Feltham.</p>	25	<p><b>Saturday – Bible Study</b> This week's <i>Bible Study</i> encourages us that God wants to welcome us into His family. Pray for all those who feel alone that they would know the fatherly love of God.</p>
18	<p><b>Saturday – Bible Study</b> This week's <i>Bible Study</i> explores how the Holy Spirit is our Comforter and our Helper, especially when we don't know what to pray. Lift to God all those struggling to pray asking that they would be comforted by the Holy Spirit.</p>	26	<p><b>Sunday</b> Today we pray for Paul, John and Sarah who are cycling the 2024 Ford Ride London in support of PF. Ask God to protect them and give them strength. Pray also for good weather and that through this event money will be raised to continue PF's work!</p>
19	<p><b>Sunday – Pentecost</b> Lord, on this Pentecost Sunday, we thank you for sending us the light of your Holy Spirit to comfort, guide and empower us.</p>	27	<p><b>Monday</b> As HMPPS push their recruitment campaign for new Prison Officers, please pray for the right people to step into these roles so those in prison receive the care and support they need.</p>
20	<p><b>Monday</b> There are <i>Sycamore Tree</i> courses ending today at HMP Lewes and HMP High Down.</p>	28	<p><b>Tuesday</b> There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course ending today at HMP Onley.</p>
21	<p><b>Tuesday</b> There are <i>Sycamore Tree</i> courses ending at HMP Highpoint, HMP Woodhill, HMP Stocken and HMP Leicester today.</p>	29	<p><b>Wednesday</b> Over the course of a year, we plan to pray for every prison in England and Wales. This month, we are praying for: Swaleside, Swansea, Swinfen Hall, Thameside, The Mount, The Verne, Thorn Cross, Usk, Wakefield and Wandsworth.</p> <p>There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course starting today at HMP Winchester.</p>
22	<p><b>Wednesday</b> There is a <i>Sycamore Tree</i> course ending today at HMP Wymott.</p>	30	<p><b>Thursday</b> Pray today for those in prison experiencing grief and loss, inviting God into their sadness. And also pray that our <i>Pastoral Care</i> work continues to grow to help more people in prison battle through bereavements.</p>
		31	<p><b>Friday – Prayer Line Request</b> A gives thanks for our prayers. He asks for prayer over his current struggles with addiction and asks that love would be sent his way. Pray God's love over A today and all those struggling with addiction.</p>



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