# Prayer Diary – July 2024



'Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are ill-treated as if you yourselves were suffering.'

#### Hebrews 13:3

#### 1 Monday

As we step into a new season under new leadership, we thank God for His wonderful blessing over PF, our work and our people. Ask that He would go before us, be within us and all around us as together we continue to serve those people in need of hope.

2 Tuesday

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

3 Wednesday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending today at HMP Winchester

4 Thursday

As the country prepares to vote today, we ask God to help us discern who should form our new Government. Lord, may our next leaders work to improve the conditions and circumstances

of prison, bringing fresh hope and healing.

5 Friday

Today, we pray for our Head of Fundraising and Communications, Andy Prescott, as he steps into the role of Acting CEO until September. Please pray that God would guide Andy and equip him with all he needs to lead PF during this interim season.

- In this week's Bible Study, we are reminded that God's power works best in our weaknesses. Pray that those reading would not dwell on weaknesses and times of trouble, but instead trust that God will use these things for good.
- 7 Sunday Prayer Line request B has called Prayer Line on several occasions expressing concerns. Pray for B, inviting God's peace and healing over her life.

#### 8 Monday

There is a Sycamore Tree course ending today at HMP Wormwood Scrubs and our Programmes Co-ordinator, Tim, will be attending. Pray that God will be present during this final week, bringing hope to those who need it.

## 9 Tuesday

Today we pray for all the other charities that support those in the criminal justice system. Ask for God's favour and blessing over these organisations and their work, so those affected by prison can be supported in all areas of their lives.

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

# 10 Wednesday

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

# 11 Thursday

Today, we pray for our newly-appointed CEO, Catherine De Souza, asking God to be with her as she steps away from her current role and prepares to lead PF from 2<sup>nd</sup> September! Ask that God

would guide her through this transition and fill her with His love and wisdom.

#### 12 Friday

Our Prayer Line Co-ordinators work tirelessly to bring prayer requests from those in prison to our local groups. Thank God for this team of people, asking God's blessing over our *Prayer Line* ministry.

- 13 Saturday Bible Study
  Psalm 24 tells us, 'The earth is
  the Lord's, and everything in
  it...' Please pray for all those
  reading this week's Bible
  Study, that they would know
  this feeling of belonging to
  our mighty Creator!
- R says he is feeling good despite having been denied a parole hearing. He feels unsure about his upcoming session with a psychologist and asks for prayer. Pray for R and praise God that he is feeling hopeful despite his current circumstances.

# 15 Monday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses ending today at HMP Fosse Way and HMP Full Sutton.

#### 16 Tuesday

Our summer edition of *In:sight* magazine is available this week. Filled with inspiring stories about our programmes, please pray that these words would encourage new people to step forward to volunteer with us, bringing more servant-centred hearts to serve Jesus and those in prison.

# 17 Wednesday – *Prayer Line* request

C asks for prayer regarding his release later in the year. He is worried how he will cope as his sister recently passed away. Pray for C and all those in prison experiencing loss and grief. Pray for the growth of our Pastoral Care programme so more people in prison can be supported in this area.

#### 18 Thursday

This evening, we are holding our next *Exploring Prison Ministry* event. Please pray that those attending would feel a call in their heart to join team PF.

Our *Bible Studies* editing group are also meeting this evening. Invite God to guide

this group as these vital resources are put together.

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

#### 19 Friday

As many of our Support Team begin their annual leave over the summer, please pray they would be filled with God's peace during this time of rest and would return to the office feeling refreshed.

- 20 Saturday Bible Study
  This week's Bible Study
  reminds us that we have a
  place in God's house! Pray
  that those reading would
  know that God has made a
  space for them and wants
  them to be a part of what He
  is building.
- 21 Sunday Prayer Line request C asks for prayer over her living arrangements upon release. Please pray for C and all those struggling to find accommodation after prison.

#### 22 Monday

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

#### 23 Tuesday

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

#### 24 Wednesday

As we enjoy the warmer weather and the joys of summer, pray for those in prison who are facing overcrowding and lack of outdoor activity.

# 25 Thursday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting today at HMP Lancaster Farms and one ending at HMP Downview.

#### 26 Friday

We are holding our *Angel Tree* launch event tonight. Please pray for all those attending and ask for God's favour over *Angel Tree* 2024, that more families will be blessed through this lifechanging programme.

27 Saturday – Bible Study
We all face challenges in our lives. This week, we are reminded that, even in the darkest moments, Jesus is present. Pray that those

reading this *Bible Study* would find peace in the presence of Jesus.

# 28 Sunday – Prayer Line request L asks for prayer after a recent relationship breakdown. Pray for L and all those struggling to maintain relationships in prison.

# 29 Monday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses ending today at HMP Garth.

## 30 Tuesday

Today, as we celebrate the International Day of Friendship, we thank God for the friendships built through our letter writing programme Letter Link. We ask His blessing over this programme and that new Volunteers would step into this crucial role.

# 31 Wednesday – *Prayer Line* request

J asks us to pray that his relationship with Jesus would grow deeper, helping him to change his ways and lifestyle.



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