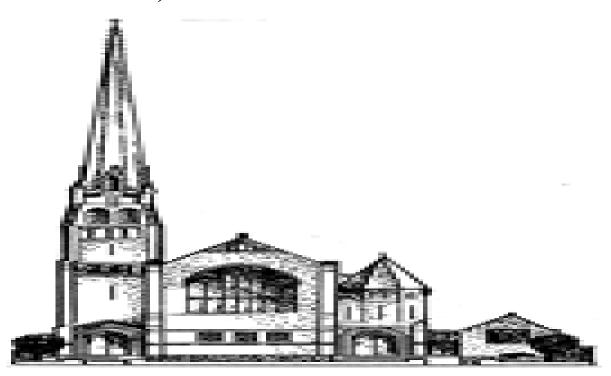
AYR, ST ANDREW'S CHURCH



JANUARY PRAYER DIARY

(Dawn of Hope)

O God, our help in ages past
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

(CH4 Hymn 161)

Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength,

They shall mount up with wings like eagles,

They shall run and not be weary,

They shall walk and not faint.

(Isaiah 40:31)

Topics are arranged over 7 days which you may find helpful SUNDAY

This is the beginning of 2023, it's a new season. Every season comes with its wave and tide. Worship God with thanksgiving for the privilege of being part of this new season and for the gift of life. Pray for Stanley and the worship team as Sunday by Sunday, they lead us in worship bringing to life the presence and promises of God. in 2023 pray for an overflow of God's anointing in our congregation and for God to guide us through his plan into his promises.

MONDAY - FAMILY PRAYER

Thank God and glorify him for bringing every member of your family safely into the new year. As God has brought us safely into 2023, pray that he will keep us safe throughout the days of 2023. Pray for the blessing of sound health for every member of our families throughout the days of 2023. Ask God for divine direction for every member of our families this year. Let God lead and guide us to walk in our purpose and destiny. Pray for other families across the glob that God will shine his face into every family, meeting them at their point of need.

TUESDAY - PRAYER FOR NATIONS & THOSE IN GOVERNMENT

In the Lord's hand the king's heart is a stream of water that he channels toward all who please him. Pro. 21:1 (NIV). Thank God for leaders in government of nations. Pray that God's wisdom determines the laws and policies introduced by government leaders of this world globally and particularly here in the UK. Ask God to transform the hearts of government leaders of this world. To rid their hearts of every form of selfishness and wickedness. Pray for global economy tranformation in 2023. Ask God to instil holy fear in the minds of leaders of nations. Let them serve the people with equity, justice, love and trust. Pray for their peace, wellbeing, and God's blessing.

WEDNESDAY - PRAYER FOR PEACE

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid (John 14:27). Ask God to give peace to those living in fear of the current happenings of the world; calm the storm in their lives and ensure their safety. We speak God's peace over wars and potential wars in diverse nations of the world. Let peace and serenity be restored, pray for the peace of Ukraine and Russia. As the church, by the authority of Jesus, we declare God's peace over nations of the world. The enemy shall not cause chaos and ruin the plans of God before they are executed, in the Name of Jesus Christ!

THURSDAY – PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

The church is not a place. It is a body – a family with blood ties through Jesus Christ. Praise and thank God for leaders he have raised up for his church. Pray that the church stays true to God's message – and proclaim it whether or not it's convenient. Pray that the church would be deeply committed to seeking God in prayer. Ask God to send revival to the church and through the church revive the world. Pray for church leaders to follow Christ's example, and serve humbly showing good examples for others to follow. Instil shepherd hearts in them. Inspire them to dig deep into Your Word and root their lives in You alone. Pray as God leads you for St Andrew's, Auld Kirk, and St Columba Churches.

FRIDAY - DECLARATION PRAYER

Friday's and Saturday's of this Month are committed for declaratory prayers. As a child of God, when you declare things in prayer, you are putting the authority you have in Christ to use—through words. Declare that each day of 2023 shall be blessed. The enemy shall have no power over them, in the Name of Jesus Christ. Declare that God's goodness and mercy shall follow you throughout each day of this year, in the Name of Jesus Christ. Declare that you shall not lack any good thing this year, but shall walk in God's immense provision and abundance. Declare that you and your loved ones will be safe in God's hands this year. Every attempt of the enemy to harm me or any member of my family this year shall prove abortive, in the Name of Jesus Christ!

SATURDAY - DECLARATION PRAYER

Continue to put your faith at work by declaring God's word over your life and family and work. Say to them, "As I live," says the LORD, "I will do to you the very things I heard you say (Numbers 14:28). Declare that you shall experience sound health and all round goodness, throughout the days days of 2023. Pray and declare that no force of hell shall be able to prevent the manifestation of God's plans and will for your life this year. I declare that my job, marriage, business, family and ministry will experience the presence and power of God. The impossible will be made possible, the crooked will be made straight, valleys will be filled, and mountains leveled in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen!

PRAYERS FOR EPIPHANY

Holy Jesus, before your infant form sages bowed the knee and acknowledged your lordship over all power and wisdom. Grant us also clear vision and courage, that in the light of your light we may devote our power and potential to your service, even when that requires us to go home by another way. Amen.

(Prayers from the Church of Scotland's Book of Common Prayer)

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of compassion Who came into our world in the frailty of human form, Breath your hope and grace over our troubled world. Teach us the ways of peace And rid our hearts of all hatred and violence that lead to war Make us hungry and thirsty for justice. Help us to see the other as made in your image. Break down the walls of fear and separation, And plant seeds of hope and rebirth in the places of despair. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

If you have a prayer request or a favorite prayer which you would care to share in a future prayer diary, please e-mail:

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