

AYR, ST ANDREW'S CHURCH



OCTOBER PRAYER DIARY

(The month of harvest)

We will praise You when our hearts are breaking
Praise You when our world is caving
We will not, we will not be moved
We will praise You 'til we see Your Kingdom
Greater things are surely coming
You are God and You are on the move
Oh, You are on the move

(REVIVAL ANTHEM)

“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

(2 Chronicles 7:14)

Always start your prayer with thanksgiving and praise

Topics are arranged over 7 days which you may find helpful

SUNDAY

“Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! As we gather in the sanctuary of faith, ask God to help us become aware of his presence and to open our eyes to perceive him, realign our minds to believe him, and reawaken our hearts to receive him every day of our live. Pray for every member and visitor to the church for a renewed commitment to serve God.

MONDAY

As the world observe mental health day this month, pray for people who have no-one to turn to or feel reluctant or afraid to talk about their mental health issues because of stigma or discrimination. Thank God for every effort being made to gain access to the support they need. Ask God to lead people with mental health issues to communities where they can find acceptance healing and draw meaning for their lives. Ask God to give people the ability and compassion to welcome and help people with mental health issues.

TUESDAY

Join with Christians nation-wide on 18th Oct., to remember Anti-Slavery Day, providing an opportunity to raise awareness of human trafficking and modern slavery, and encourage government, local authorities, companies, charities, and individuals to do what they can to address the problem. Ask God to help us defeat this appalling global trade that have destroyed millions of lives and pray for provision of care to victims of modern slavery.

WEDNESDAY

During this period of financial crisis and increasing cost of living let us pray for those worried about debt or living with debt. Ask God to give them courage to tackle the problems they face, clarity in taking decisions which will turn their situation around. Pray that God would keep under his protection all who suffer as a result of debt: help them through their time of darkness, give wisdom to all who seek to help, and bring them to know true freedom in Jesus Christ our Lord.

THURSDAY

All around us and across the world there is visible indication of spiritual coldness and moral decay. It is time to cry out for revival. During his time of deepest longing David cried to God saying, create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Ps 51:10. Revival is a time of renewal, restoration, a fresh inflow of life, love, and power of God. Pray that God will pour out His Spirit like a mighty purifying flood. Pray for God to fill His people with a passion to see people saved. Pray for God to bestow spiritual hunger in His people and draw them to fervent intercession. Lord, start with me. Ask God to raise us up to be the church He wants us to be.

FRIDAY

Thank God for the successful closure of Ayr Presbytery following its meeting on September 27th, 2022. Ayr Presbytery as it were, is now a history. Through the years since its inauguration, many Presbyters have served within its bounds; thank God for the wisdom and strength with which they served. Pray also for the new Presbytery of Southwest of Scotland which will hold its first meeting at Kilmarnock on October 1st, 2022. Commit the elected office bearers into God's hands. Pray for wisdom to lead the new Presbytery forward. Pray for churches within our cluster: Auld Kirk and St Columba churches, ask God to continue helping us work together as team until the direction he wants us to go is fully revealed.

SATURDAY

Thank God for being the greatest source of our joy in Ayr St Andrew's Church. Thank him for speaking words of love and guidance into our hearts. He is the answer to all of life's problems. Pray for members of our church family and to everyone the Spirit of God will lead you to intercede for. Ask God to help us in all our interactions with one another to have humble and gentle hearts. Ask God to bless our mission within our community and make it fruitful. Remember, we are because, he is. Without God we are nothing. Worship him!

ROOTS OF REVIVAL

In the last days, God says, “I will pour out My Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams” (Acts 2:17).

The real Pentecostal movement did not begin in the 20th century—it began in the first century, in the ancient city of Jerusalem, where we find the original well of Holy Spirit water that would eventually flow to the ends of the earth.

John the Baptist, who had initiated a revival of spiritual fervour among the Jewish people with his fiery preaching of repentance, told his Jewish audience that the One coming after him would baptize them with the Holy Spirit. Soon afterwards, at His baptism in the cool flowing waters of the Jordan, Jesus was identified as the coming One.

“It is not for you to know the times or dates which the Father has set by His own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:7-8).

(Extract from ROOTS OF REVIVAL)

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

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