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PrayerTrack

FEBRUARY–APRIL 2018

WELCOME TO PRAYER TRACK, our guide to help focus intercession on the local, regional and international ministry of CWR. Please pray for people and places with great spiritual need and for opportunities to reveal the love of Jesus Christ to others.

February

*'Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.
His love endures for ever.'*

Psalms 136:1

THURSDAY 1 FEBRUARY

Pray for everyone reading CWR's daily Bible reading notes today. Ask God to open their hearts and for Him to speak through His Word directly into the situations they are facing. Thank God for His Word and praise Him for how He speaks to us through it.

FRIDAY 2 FEBRUARY

Lift up people struggling with unanswered prayer. Pray that they will be reminded of God's promises and that He listens, cares for and loves them. Pray that they will persevere in talking to God and they will see breakthrough in their lives.

WEEKEND 3–4 FEBRUARY

Sunday is World Cancer Day. Pray for everyone who is suffering with the pain, frustration and complications of cancer. Ask God to comfort them both physically and with His Holy Spirit. Pray that families and friends will continue to have the strength to care for their loved ones.

The focus of our prayers this week is on CWR's international work

MONDAY 5 FEBRUARY

Cambodia – praise God for the core counselling and pastoral care modules that CWR is teaching in Cambodia. Ask Him to help with the translation of teaching and resources into the local language Khmer, so that CWR's training can reach even more people.

TUESDAY 6 FEBRUARY

Indonesia – pray for the work of translating CWR material into Farsi for the many Farsi refugees living in Indonesia. Pray for the translators, proofreaders and for the safe distribution of resources around the country, that they may reach those in need.

WEDNESDAY 7 FEBRUARY

Nepal – as the only official Hindu country in the world, Christians living here face pressure to hide their faith. Pray that CWR may be able to fulfil the many requests for training and resources from Nepalese churches, and for a way to support the Christian pastoral teams who are under threat in Nepal.



THURSDAY 8 FEBRUARY

Myanmar/Burma – the rise of religious intolerance in Burma is well documented: the government there promotes Buddhism. Pray for the ongoing work of translating CWR's pivotal book *Your Personal Encourager* into Burmese and for its safe distribution around the country.

FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY

Nigeria – the largest distributor of CWR books outside the UK. Pray for the thousands of people in Nigeria who are benefiting from CWR's daily Bible reading notes and who are sharing God's Word with their families and friends. Ask God to strengthen His Church in Nigeria and for even more people to benefit from CWR's resources.

WEEKEND 10–11 FEBRUARY

Malaysia – pray for CWR to find a translator who can help with translating resources into Malaysian. Policies in Malaysia have recently tightened up, making it more difficult to publish and distribute Christian material. Ask for God's favour over the whole process.

MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY

Thank God for providing such great authors and contributors for CWR's books and daily Bible reading notes. Ask Him to continue to speak to them and inspire them from the Bible. Pray for new ideas, fresh gifts of creativity, and for God to bless them as they work hard for CWR.

TUESDAY 13 FEBRUARY

Pray for Christian radio stations today on World Radio Day. Praise God for the freedom to broadcast truth about Him through the radio. Ask Him to draw more listeners to the stations and for non-Christians to enjoy listening and to come to know Jesus through the interviews, presenters and music.



WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

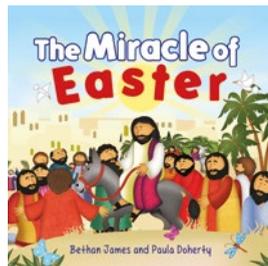
Ash Wednesday marks the start of Lent. Take some time today to ponder on the amazing and enduring Easter story. Pray that over the next 40 days, God will reveal even more of His love and purpose for you.

THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY

Pray today for the families and friends of Christians around the world who have been taken from their communities and are being held in prison. Ask God to strengthen their faith and give them guidance and wisdom in pursuing justice.

FRIDAY 16 FEBRUARY

Pray for the release of the new mini book *The Miracle of Easter*. Ask God to get this book into the hands of children who need to hear about the hope and joy of Easter. Pray that it will be shared and used to spread the good news of Jesus.



WEEKEND 17–18 FEBRUARY

Thank God this weekend for the political leaders of Europe. Pray for unity, for servant hearts wanting to help their countries and each other. May God guide their decisions as they carry out their responsibilities in governing the countries that God has placed in their care.

MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY

Thank God for the leadership team and trustees at CWR. Thank Him for their hard work and sacrifice of time to guide, advise and pray for CWR's work. Pray for discernment and wisdom, as they seek His direction and plans for the future of the ministry.

TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

Today is the World Day of Social Justice. Social justice is defined as an underlying principle for peaceful and prosperous co-existence within and among nations. Pray for the peacemakers, decision-makers and organisations working hard to bring about unity in our world.

WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY

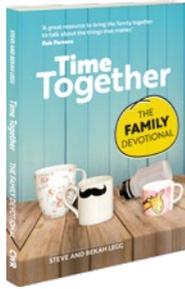
Philip Greenslade is leading a course today on Great Chapters of the Bible, looking at Matthew 11. Please pray for him and the delegates as they discover more about the Person of Jesus.

THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY

Give glory to God for His Church in the UK, and for the unseen work churches do in communities every week. Thank Him for the acts of kindness that the 'hands and feet of Christ' are doing every day across our country.

FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Pray for the release of *Time Together*, the second family devotional by Steve and Bekah Legg. Pray that the families who read it will enjoy strengthening their relationships with each other as they spend time with God together.



WEEKEND 24–25 FEBRUARY

The Association of Evangelicals in Africa is calling on political and religious leaders across Africa to influence the South Sudanese government to achieve peace in the nation. Specifically pray for the ever-growing South Sudan refugee community in the country.

MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Lift up the students of Waverley Abbey College to God today. Thank Him for their desire to care for others through counselling. Pray that God will strengthen them as they face challenges in their own lives and give them the determination to keep studying and working hard.



TUESDAY 27 FEBRUARY

Pray for children who are reading CWR resources today. Ask God to give them the courage to share their faith with their families, at school and with their friends. Pray for a generation of young Christians who are determined to live out their faith.

WEDNESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

Pray for the work of Open Doors – a charity that is shining a light on the persecution of Christians around the world. Pray for governments, churches and organisations to take notice and call for an end to the persecution of people for their faith.

March

'In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.'

Ephesians 3:12

THURSDAY 1 MARCH

Today Andy Peck is leading a course on Sharing Jesus at Waverley Abbey House. Please pray that delegates will learn ways to talk about their faith naturally and may they be blessed in their desire to tell others about Jesus.



FRIDAY 2 MARCH

Praise God for the book *Living on Purpose* by Cathy Madavan, and pray in faith that people who use it will be helped by it. Ask God to help the book find its way into the hands of people eager to learn more about His Word.

WEEKEND 3–4 MARCH

Join CWR in a prayer of thanksgiving for the Partners who support the ministry – both financially and with prayer. Pray for more people to sign up as Partners to help support the future work of the charity.

MONDAY 5 MARCH

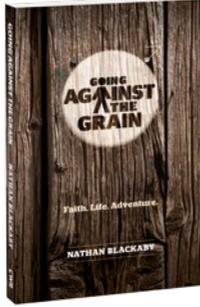
This week at Waverley Abbey House, the Woman to Woman training course is running. Pray for every delegate attending who is seeking guidance, support and wisdom to minister effectively to other women. Pray that God will bless everyone attending, and for them to have a great time learning together.

TUESDAY 6 MARCH

CWR's *Insight* series of books and teaching addresses the often silenced issues that many of us face daily. Pray that more people will discover the enlightening and freeing teaching within these resources and that they will use them effectively to help others and themselves.

WEDNESDAY 7 MARCH

Pray for the newly released *Going Against the Grain* by Nathan Blackaby. This book encourages men to live counter-cultural lives by looking at characters from the Bible who went against the grain. Please pray that it will be inspirational to those who read it.



THURSDAY 8 MARCH

Today, on International Women's Day, remember the women in your life and thank God for them. Pray for women who are denied their rights and who are treated unjustly. Ask God to reveal ways where we can champion equality – and for the courage to do so.

FRIDAY 9 MARCH

Thank God today for the many different ways that people can access His Word. Pray for the hard work CWR's design and editorial teams put into turning CWR books into eBooks. Pray that these will reach readers who can't access printed resources.



WEEKEND 10-11 MARCH

Praise God for the generosity of CWR's supporters and Partners, and ask Him to use the money that is donated towards the Easter appeal to further His work. Pray that people will be inspired to prayerfully and generously give to the ongoing work of CWR.

The theme for prayer this week is pastoral care in the Church

MONDAY 12 MARCH

Pray for your own church leaders today. Ask God to prompt them to share their burdens and responsibilities with Him so that they are not overwhelmed or exhausted. Pray that ministers will be cared for as they give out so much time and energy to others.

TUESDAY 13 MARCH

Praise God for the success of CWR's church programme, Paracletis. Ask Him to use the content and teaching to really change the way that congregations care for one another and their wider community. Pray that this fresh approach to pastoral care will have a lasting effect in churches.

WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH

Thank God for small groups within churches. Pray that small groups will be safe places where pastoral concerns and needs are listened to and met. Pray that people will be encouraged and supported as they share their lives with one another.

THURSDAY 15 MARCH

Pastoral care is a huge priority for CWR. Pray for the course *Pastoring Through Crises* happening today – that delegates would learn new things they can practically apply in their individual spheres of influence.

FRIDAY 16 MARCH

Pray for everyone working in Christian counselling roles today. Thank God for calling compassionate counsellors who help to restore hurting people, in order that they might live life to the fullness that God planned for them.



WEEKEND 17-18 MARCH

God created us to love Him and one another. Be sensitive to any prompting from the Holy Spirit to reach out and offer help to a friend, family member or colleague. Pray for opportunities to practise showing God's pastoral heart to others.

MONDAY 19 MARCH

The course Introduction to Biblical Care and Counselling starts today at Waverley Abbey House. Pray that every delegate will be inspired by what they learn this week and go on to use it for God's glory. Pray for safety and friendships to develop as the delegates spend a week in the house.

TUESDAY 20 MARCH

Today is the International Day of Happiness – praise God that He created joy and gives it to us as a gift. Ask Him for opportunities to share His joy with others today, and pray for your friends and family who do not yet know Jesus to experience His life-changing joy.



WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH

Pray for the Prevent Team who are at the heart of the UK government's counterterrorism strategy. They work to prevent people from going down a path of terrorism. Ask God to give them the resources, strength and energy to continue their work.

THURSDAY 22 MARCH

Today, on World Water Day, give thanks to God for the clean water we use daily – and often take for granted. Pray for the work of many organisations around the world such as WaterAid UK, who are dedicated to making clean water accessible for everyone.

FRIDAY 23 MARCH

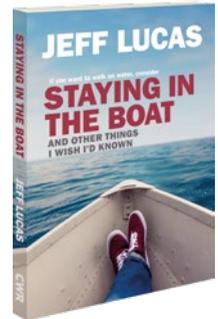
Pray for people reading CWR's Lent *Cover to Cover Bible Study* guides in the lead-up to Easter. Ask God to speak through His Word, and these guides, to the individuals and small groups who are spending time seeking Him.

WEEKEND 24-25 MARCH

This weekend Philip Greenslade will be leading a Bible Discovery Weekend on The Mission Statements of Jesus. In this Easter season, please pray that delegates may be reminded of the powerful motives for Jesus' ministry.

MONDAY 26 MARCH

Jeff Lucas' latest book *Staying in the Boat* has recently been released. Pray that many people will buy it and be encouraged by the truth about God as Jeff shares some of the wisdom that he has garnered over his years of ministry.



TUESDAY 27 MARCH

Think of the people who lost loved ones or were displaced in the Grenfell Tower fire disaster last year. Pray for unity in a devastated community as people rebuild their lives while continuing to live with the effects and trauma of this tragedy.

WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH

Pray for the readers of *Inspiring Women Every Day*. Thank God for the brilliant contributors who listen to Him and help readers connect with His Word daily. Pray that the notes will continue to inspire, challenge and encourage thousands of women every day.

THURSDAY 29 MARCH

Ask God to increase the number of people who book onto CWR's courses. Pray that the people who need to be equipped and encouraged by practical biblical teaching will hear about CWR's courses and be able to attend them.

FRIDAY 30 MARCH

Pray for churches hosting Easter holiday activities and events for children all over the UK. Pray for fun, safety, and that families will learn the real truth about Easter. Pray for young people to start a relationship with Jesus.

WEEKEND 31 MARCH – 1 APRIL

'He is risen!' Praise God this Easter Sunday with joyful and thankful hearts. Pray for those who are alone and struggling as the only Christian in their family or community today. Pray that God will strengthen them and comfort them with His resurrection power.



April

'And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.'

Philippians 4:19

MONDAY 2 APRIL

Today, on World Autism Awareness Day, pray for the research and work that goes into supporting and understanding people with autism. Pray for understanding schools, workplaces and friendships for children and adults living with autism.

TUESDAY 3 APRIL

The Christian festival Spring Harvest starts this week. The theme is *Only the Brave*, with teaching on determined discipleship. Pray that everyone attending will receive a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit to continue to live as a determined disciple of Jesus.

WEDNESDAY 4 APRIL

Pray for organisations like Wycliffe Bible Translators and Faith Comes by Hearing, who bring the Bible to life for people who cannot read. Ask the Holy Spirit to speak clearly into the lives of those experiencing His Word for the first time.

THURSDAY 5 APRIL

Pray that the different church denominations will unite and work together to be a great witness in our towns and cities; that churches will be an even greater source of good, caring for the poor, standing up to injustice and making a positive difference in our communities.



FRIDAY 6 APRIL

Pray for the CWR marketing and sales teams working at Spring Harvest. Ask God to draw people to their exhibition stand and give them words of encouragement and clarity to support people with questions. Pray that the profile of CWR will be raised through the event.

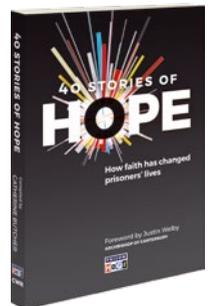
WEEKEND 7-8 APRIL

Praise God for the number of people who use CWR's small group resources. Pray that more people will find Small Group Central online and use the blogs, resources and material available to them. Pray that God will continue to use Small Group Central to grow and strengthen small groups.

This week, we focus our prayer on CWR's prison ministry

MONDAY 9 APRIL

Praise God for the generosity of Prison HOPE and CWR supporters who helped get more than 15,000 copies of the inspirational book *40 Stories of Hope* to prisoners in the UK. Ask God to open the eyes and hearts of those reading about Jesus, who is our hope and the anchor for our souls.



TUESDAY 10 APRIL

CWR send more than 60,000 copies of daily Bible reading notes into prisons in the UK and Australia every year. Thank God for the provision of these resources, and pray for the prisoners who will receive the notes – that they will come to know God as their Father and Saviour.

WEDNESDAY 11 APRIL

Pray for the relationships that CWR have with prison chaplains. Thank Him for the good connections there are between the charity and UK prisons. Pray for that connection to strengthen so that prison chaplains will look to CWR when choosing resources for guidance and teaching.

THURSDAY 12 APRIL

Praise God for the letters CWR receives from prisoners and young offenders, and how God is using CWR to reach this demographic. Pray that the people who are reaching out with questions, prayers and enquiries for more resources will feel supported by CWR.

FRIDAY 13 APRIL

Pray for the work of the charity Angel Tree, who work in prisons to get gifts to prisoners' children at Christmas time. Every gift includes a Christian book. Pray that the books and gifts given out will be the start of many children getting to know Jesus.

WEEKEND 14–15 APRIL

Pray for your local prison this weekend: for safety for staff and prisoners; for hope and encouragement for the prison chaplains and for relationships with local churches. Pray that many prisoners will come to know Christ through encounters with chaplains and Christians during their time in prison.

MONDAY 16 APRIL

Sparky Smart from Priory Park written by Alexa Tewkesbury, is a fun and heartwarming children's book series, brand new from CWR. Pray that these wonderful stories reach children, and their families, to reassure them that while life can be tricky, the love of God and family makes it all worthwhile.

TUESDAY 17 APRIL

Pray for CWR's venues – Waverley Abbey House and Pilgrim Hall – to remain safe, and be comfortable, welcoming places for all who visit. Pray for all staff involved in this transitional period of releasing Pilgrim Hall to a new Christian ministry later this year.

WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL

Today, pray for all the delegates on the Inspiring Women Spring Day, that they will learn something completely new about God. Ask Him to speak directly into their lives and situations, and that they would end the day feeling fulfilled, cherished and loved.



THURSDAY 19 APRIL

Pray for the delegates and tutors of the course Developing Your Small Group Strategy today. Pray that the teaching and insights shared will be used to strengthen and grow small groups so that they can be effective at loving the communities around them.

FRIDAY 20 APRIL

Today is World Chinese Language Day. Praise God that many CWR resources have already been translated into different languages. Ask Him to bless the people currently working on translations, so that even more people can be reached.

WEEKEND 21–22 APRIL

Pray for the readers of *Life Every Day*, that they would be encouraged to live their lives out for God and share their faith. Thank God for the hard work of Jeff Lucas, who writes these daily Bible reading notes.

MONDAY 23 APRIL

Praise God for the beautiful world that He has created. Ask that as Christians we will feel convicted to lead by example and be good stewards of the earth, as we have a responsibility to look after what God has given us.

TUESDAY 24 APRIL

Thank God for the teachers and tutors who work so hard preparing and delivering the courses at CWR. Pray that God would inspire them and guide their work and that they will be encouraged by positive feedback from delegates.

WEDNESDAY 25 APRIL

Today is World Malaria Day. Pray for people suffering from the disease around the world. Pray for breakthrough in eradicating malaria, and for organisations who are trying to educate people to use mosquito nets. Ask God to comfort those who have lost loved ones because of the disease.

THURSDAY 26 APRIL

Pray for the work of Open Doors Youth, engaging young people with the persecuted Church. Ask God to put compassion for the persecuted in young people's hearts and inspire them to unite with their Christian brothers and sisters around the world in prayer.

FRIDAY 27 APRIL

When our beliefs and choices are challenged, may we remember to put our trust in God and not in the approval of society. Ask God to renew your trust in Him today and praise Him for His steadfast love for you.



WEEKEND 28–29 APRIL

On Saturday Chris Ledger will be leading an invaluable course titled Insight into Self-Esteem. Low self-esteem affects many people, please pray that this course will teach delegates how to cultivate a healthy self-esteem through a deepening relationship with God.

MONDAY 30 APRIL

Praise God for donations that CWR receives from appeals and the generous support from CWR Partners. Pray that CWR will steward the money effectively for God's glory and for the future work of the charity.

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