

CWR

PrayerTrack

AUGUST-OCTOBER 2017

WELCOME TO PRAYER TRACK, your 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.

August

'For the word of God is alive and active.'

Hebrews 4:12

This week, the focus of our prayers is on Christian summer events.

TUESDAY 1 AUGUST

Pray for CWR's Sales team working at New Wine this week. Pray for good conversations, and for people to feel encouraged and inspired by all the resources, courses and support that CWR has to offer.

WEDNESDAY 2 AUGUST

Throughout August, Soul Survivor, a festival for young people, is taking place in Somerset. Pray for the tens of thousands of people who will be going; that the Holy Spirit will meet with every single one of them, whether they are visiting the festival for a day, camping for a week, leading worship or stewarding crowds.



THURSDAY 3 AUGUST

The Edge Camp, which began life as the Good News Crusade's family camp, is currently taking place in Taunton, Somerset. The 'Ordinary Heroes' theme explores our journey with God. Pray for the families attending to learn new things, get to spend quality time together, and leave strengthened with God at the centre of their families.

FRIDAY 4 AUGUST

For nearly 150 years Scripture Union has been running beach missions all around the UK. Lift up all the volunteers who give their time to work at the events. Pray for fruitful outreach, safety for holiday makers, and for the gospel to be heard by thousands of people on UK beaches.

WEEKEND 5-6 AUGUST

This weekend the free Christian music and Bible festival Creationfest begins at the Royal Cornwall Events Centre, Wadebridge. Pray for everyone who doesn't yet know Jesus who will be camping in Wadebridge this weekend and throughout next week to have open hearts and encounter Jesus through the talks, music and conversations they experience.

MONDAY 7 AUGUST

As Jesus instructed us to, we pray today for the leaders of the UK government. Ask God to guide them, to protect them and to surround them with people who support and draw alongside them. Pray for them in their decision making as they lead the country.

TUESDAY 8 AUGUST

Pray for Christian teachers today. Pray that God would speak through them as they teach in schools, and that children would ask questions about faith. Pray for the Christian staff at your local school to be a light to their colleagues and students.

WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST

The Alpha course has had an incredible impact all over the world. Pray for God's continued blessing on the teaching material included on the course. Ask God to steer many more people who do not yet know Jesus towards churches, groups and centres hosting Alpha courses.

THURSDAY 10 AUGUST

Pray for the release of CWR's new Advent Cover to Cover Bible study guide, *A Child is Born*, out later this month. Thank God for author Abby Guinness and her gift to share and teach about God in a dynamic and accessible way.



FRIDAY 11 AUGUST

Pray for the publishing team at CWR as they work with their authors, new and existing. Thank God that CWR have such a wide range of authors writing brilliant books and resources and pray that God will continue to bring new writers with fresh ideas to the team.

WEEKEND 12-13 AUGUST

This Saturday, the Insight into Anger course will be running at Waverley Abbey House. Pray for Chris Ledger as she leads, and that delegates would be encouraged as they learn more about healthy emotions.

MONDAY 14 AUGUST

Pray for the delegates on CWR's Introduction to Biblical Care and Counselling course starting today at Waverley Abbey House. Ask God to help them as they explore the foundations of caring for themselves and others around them. Pray for God to bless them as they spend time learning more about Him.



TUESDAY 15 AUGUST

Pray for Robert Lempenger who is leading a team to Eger, Hungary this week. Under the auspices of Gospel Literature Outreach (GLO) the team hope to reach people through open-air ministry and children's ministry as they seek to build up and equip churches.

WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST

We pray for peace today for areas of the world where people live in fear; peace for war-torn countries and where families are being kept apart because of conflict. Praise Jesus as the Prince of Peace and ask for His Holy Spirit to bring an end to wars and violence in the world.

THURSDAY 17 AUGUST

Thank God for the hard-working men and women employed by the social services. Pray that the Holy Spirit would strengthen them as they work long hours and care for others. Ask God to prompt more people to apply for jobs caring for those who desperately need help and support.

FRIDAY 18 AUGUST

From 18 Aug – 3 Sep Flame International is leading a young adults' mission to Northern Uganda where refugees from South Sudan, who have fled from the civil war, are living in refugee camps. Pray for the training of local youth leaders ministering to two of the refugee camps.

WEEKEND 19-20 AUGUST

Pray for everyone on CWR's Family Summer Holiday taking place at Pilgrim Hall this week. Pray for safety, fun and for families to learn more about God together. Ask God to give strength and energy to those leading and working on the holiday.



MONDAY 21 AUGUST

Northern Ireland's Christian arts festival finishes today. Pray for everyone who has attended, spent time worshipping God and been challenged by different speakers. Pray that God will go with them as they return to normal daily life; that they would take God's presence back to their families, friendship groups and workplaces.

TUESDAY 22 AUGUST

Give thanks for your local GP and surgery. Pray that the staff will be well supported, that patients will receive the treatment and attention they need and that the ongoing funding challenges faced by the NHS will be handled with wisdom by our government.

WEDNESDAY 23 AUGUST

Today marks the start of The Migration Conference being hosted by Harokopio University, Athens. Experts are encouraged to exchange knowledge, share research and debate the issues that challenge existing modes and models of migration. Pray for wise and positive outcomes.

THURSDAY 24 AUGUST

Pray for youth workers in churches today. Pray that they will be respected, valued by the Church and encouraged. Ask that God will give many new people a desire to teach, guide and disciple young people and that churches would have plenty of people willing to help with children's work.

FRIDAY 25 AUGUST

Pray today for our public services. Bring before God the police, fire fighters, paramedics, search and life rescue teams and all the other hard-working men and women who protect us.

WEEKEND 26–27 AUGUST

Thank God for the release of the latest Pens Sticker Book - *It's Christmas*. Pray for all the young children who use and enjoy the Pens Sticker Books – that the creative and interactive pictures will inspire them and capture their imagination as they learn more about their heavenly Father.



MONDAY 28 AUGUST

CWR's Late Summer Break starts at Pilgrim Hall today. Pray that everyone attending will learn something new about God, will be refreshed from having a holiday, and be challenged to share their faith with friends, families and work colleagues.

TUESDAY 29 AUGUST

Pray for the Christian bookshops as they plan and prepare to provide Christian resources in the build up to Christmas. Ask God to bless them and give them fruitful sales. Pray that they will enter a season of encouragement in the long lead up to Christmas.

WEDNESDAY 30 AUGUST

Today is the International Day of the Disappeared. Pray for the work of the charity Missing People which supports families whose loved ones are missing and also provides help for missing people. Ask God to aid them as they work with police to find and help those who are lost.

THURSDAY 31 AUGUST

Pray for the volunteer force of Street Angels all over the UK. Ask God to keep them safe as they work on the streets of towns and cities and to give them opportunities to share God's truth and hope with people that they meet.

September

'And if we know that he hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of him.'

1 John 5:15

FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

Once a year, tens of thousands of people gather in Nevada's Black Rock Desert to create Black Rock City, a temporary metropolis dedicated to community, art, self-expression and self-reliance. Pray for teams of Christians that aim to witness about Jesus to people attending the event (27 Aug – 4 Sep).

WEEKEND 2–3 SEPTEMBER

September is recognised as World Alzheimer's Month. Pray for those who are living with Alzheimer's. Ask God to comfort them, to reduce frustrations and to help their families and friends adjust to a new way of living life. Pray for breakthrough in prevention and treatments.

MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

Children return to school this week after the long summer holiday. Pray for pupils, teachers and parents as they settle back into a daily routine. Pray too for young readers using *Pens*, *Topz* and *YP's* Bible reading notes, to be encouraged as they begin a new term.



TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

Thank God for CWR's trustees today. Thank Him for their hard work and sacrifice of time to guide, advise and pray for CWR's ministry. Ask God to give them wisdom as they make decisions on the future of the charity and seek His direction and plans for CWR.

WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

Pray for yourself today. Ask God to give you a new wave of courage to share your faith more readily with those around you. Ask for opportunities to share God's Word with your families, neighbours, colleagues and friends and thank Him that He will give you the words and courage you need.

THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

Ask God to be with the teachers and delegates on the course Decision Making and the Will of God, which is being taught at Waverley Abbey House today. Thank God for the wealth of knowledge of the CWR's tutors and course leaders and ask Him to reveal something new to everyone who attends.

FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

Today is International Literacy Day. Pray for the education of those who cannot read. 'Some 775 million adults lack minimum literacy skills; one in five adults is still not literate and two-thirds of them are women; 60.7 million children are out-of-school and many more attend irregularly or drop out.' Pray for charities and organisations who are trying to change these statistics.

WEEKEND 9-10 SEPTEMBER

Pray for the Open Day happening this Saturday at Waverley Abbey College. Pray that prospective new students would feel a clear sense of direction as they make decisions about their next steps in counselling training.



MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

Pray for the individuals and small groups who use the devotional notes *The Manual*, and especially for those who are giving away copies to friends.

Ask God to use the material to open more people's eyes to how amazing He is and to draw more people into a relationship with Him.



TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

António Guterres, the ninth Secretary-General of the United Nations, hosts his first Congress in UNHQ, New York today. The former Portuguese Prime Minister cites his Christian faith as driving his social democratic politics. Pray that his concern for disadvantaged people around the world may be translated into wise and appropriate action.

WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

Pray for CWR's international distributors today. Ask that God would protect them as they administer the printing, sales and delivery of CWR products. Thank God for providing CWR with such an international reach.

THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

Praise God for everyone taking part in the Small Groups Rebooted course being taught at Waverley Abbey House today. Ask Him to speak through Andy Peck as he leads today and ask Him to teach something new to everyone who attends.

FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

This month CWR are celebrating the 30th anniversary of being in Waverley Abbey House. Join the charity in thanking God for His continued provision, and praise Him for the hundreds of thousands of people who have passed through the doors in search of teaching, encouragement and support.

WEEKEND 16–17 SEPTEMBER

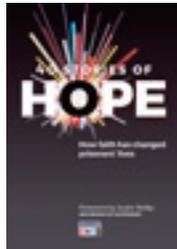
Ask God to be with everyone who is attending the CWR course Insight into Bereavement today. Pray that God would protect grieving hearts and comfort them. Praise God for the wonderful venue of Waverley Abbey House which is such a peaceful and restful place for so many people.

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

On Saturday, many of CWR's Partners gathered at Waverley Abbey House for a Partners' Day. Join us in thanking God for the provision of these wonderful Partners, and all that they do to support the work of the charity, both financially and prayerfully.

TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

This month sees the release of the book *40 Stories of Hope*. Pray that as the book gets distributed into prisons, many people will come to learn about the ultimate hope and forgiveness Christ offers everyone. Give thanks for the opportunity CWR has to send material into prisons.



WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Thank God today for the political leaders of Europe. Pray for unity, for clear communication, for honest hearts and wise decisions as they carry the burden of responsibility of doing what's best for the people in their countries.

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

Praise God for the success of the charity Speaking Volumes, which aims to get Christian books into public libraries. This month CWR is releasing *A World of Difference* in partnership with Speaking Volumes. This book is being sent into schools across the UK, and teaches children about great heroes of the faith.

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

Praise God for the delegates who will be attending the Inspiring Women Autumn Weekend for the next couple of days at Waverley Abbey House. Ask Him to teach everyone something new so that they may all leave feeling renewed in their relationship with Him.

WEEKEND 23–24 SEPTEMBER

A team from Global Awakening are in Sao Paulo, Brazil Sep 21–Oct 3. Pray for the speakers as they lead meetings, that people will come to faith, the sick will be healed and the team will see God at work. Pray for wisdom and grace for all involved.

The focus of our prayers this week will be the National Prayer Weekend

MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

Lift up every community preparing for the National Prayer Weekend at the end of the week. Pray that they will have confidence to step out and ask people around them whether they want prayer. Ask God for positive reactions, open-minded responses and divine connections to be made this week.



TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

Pray for the team at 24-7 Prayer, who tirelessly seek to reach people all over the world with God's incredible power through prayer. Pray that their staff will be focused and revitalised this week as they are preparing for their annual international gathering meeting in Birmingham next month.

WEDNESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

Ask God to bless the work of Prayer Spaces in Schools. Thank Him for the opportunities the charity have to create spaces for prayer in schools all over the UK. Pray that teachers, children and parents would all encounter God's presence as they explore what prayer is all about.



THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

Thank God for the incredible heart of the charity Neighbourhood Prayer Network to see every street in the UK covered in prayer. Pray that their campaign A Mile with Jesus would be really fruitful and that neighbourhoods would be filled with the light of Christ as Christians prayer walk around their local areas.

FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

Praise God for the thousands of communities, churches, groups and individuals who have signed up to National Prayer Weekend. Thank Him that He listens to every prayer and loves to hear from His children.

WEEKEND 30 SEPTEMBER – 1 OCTOBER

Pray for outreach events, worship evenings, prayer rooms, praise parties and church services all dedicated to prayer this weekend for the National Prayer Weekend event. Ask God to move in the hearts of those who are being prayed for and for transformed lives as a result of this weekend.

OCTOBER

'I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Psalm 91:2

MONDAY 2 OCTOBER

Pray for Mick and Lynette Brooks as they finish teaching Christ Empowered Living (and other various CWR seminars) to various groups in Singapore and Cambodia. Praise God for the continued work of CWR Asia.

TUESDAY 3 OCTOBER

Give thanks for the growth of the Church in China – the number of Christians is growing so steadily that there could be more churchgoers than there are in America by 2030. Pray a prayer of protection for church leaders who have been sent to prison or mental institutions, or have been tortured for their faith.



WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER

Pray for Trevor J. Partridge as he leads the seminar, Empowering Your Church to Care, today at Waverley Abbey House. Pray for the church leaders attending the course to be inspired by the Paracletus approach to pastoral care.

THURSDAY 5 OCTOBER

Pray for people who are trying to read their Bible in a year. Thank God for His engaging and life-giving Word, ask Him to renew a sense of determination, interest and joy in reading the Bible and that people would be encouraged as they read His Word today.

FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER

Thank God today for the CWR praying partners who are spending time in intercessory prayer for the charity and the world today. Ask God to be present at their time together, to speak into their hearts and guide their prayers as they sacrifice their time to lift the work of CWR up to God.

WEEKEND 7-8 OCTOBER

Praise God for all the students who have chosen Waverley Abbey College to do their counselling training. Pray that God will be with them as they are studying counselling methods, theories and practicing their own skills. Pray that numbers would continue to rise for the BA and MA programmes.



MONDAY 9 OCTOBER

This week is recognised as National Braille Week. Ask God to increase awareness in churches for those with disabilities and that blind people will be given the respect and care they deserve. Pray for the distribution of Braille Bibles, that everyone can get access to God's Word.

TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER

Today at Waverley Abbey House, CWR will be hosting the Inspiring Women Autumn Day led by Amy Boucher Pye. Amy will be teaching from Colossians on how to live 'in' and 'for' Christ. Pray for Amy as she leads the day and for the delegates to seek to live like Jesus.

WEDNESDAY 11 OCTOBER

Pray for the CWR Coaching and Mentoring course taking place at Waverley Abbey House. Ask that God would speak clearly through the tutors and that each and every delegate would leave knowing more about God and feeling more equipped to care for, and mentor, those around them.

THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER

Today is World Arthritis Day. Lift up everyone who is suffering with the pain and frustration of this disease. Ask God to comfort them both physically and with His Holy Spirit. Pray for patience and understanding as people have to adapt their lives to live with Arthritis.

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER

Pray for the work of the initiative Healing on the Streets. The teams of volunteers all over the UK who give up their time to reach out to their local communities and pray for healing. Ask God to increase their faith and confidence as He works miracles through their faith.

WEEKEND 14–15 OCTOBER

Pray for the CWR course, Boundaries, taking place this Saturday and for all the church leaders, counsellors and pastoral care teams who will be attending. Pray also for the CWR team as they head to the Christian Resources Exhibition, which runs throughout next week.

The theme for our prayers this week is the Persecuted Church

MONDAY 16 OCTOBER

The charity Open Doors reports that wars in the Middle East continue to catch Christians in the crossfire, war-torn Yemen is listed in the top 10 of the World Watch List – the 50 countries where Christians face the most persecution. Pray for the people of Yemen today.



TUESDAY 17 OCTOBER

Christian Aid says 'more than 4.9 million people who have had to flee Syria are now living as refugees'. Every one of that number is a person, with a name, a family, and a God-given purpose. Pray for success and long-lasting positive effects of Christian Aid's Syria Crisis Appeal.

WEDNESDAY 18 OCTOBER

Pray for the Church in North Korea, for 'underground' Christians who risk so much to continue meeting together. Pray for their safety and for those of them whose families have chosen to leave the country. Ask God to strengthen and grow the church in North Korea.

THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER

Praise God for the charity Release International and all the incredible work they do around the world. Pray for them as they fight against (often corrupt) laws to get Christians released from imprisonment. Ask God to give them wisdom and clarity in difficult negotiations.

FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER

Specifically pray today for the families, spouses and children of Christians who have been taken from their families and are being held in prison. Ask for God to strengthen their faith and hope as they struggle with the sense of loss.

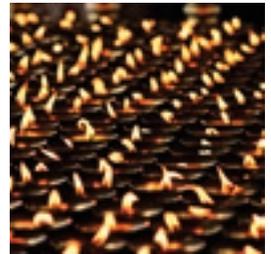


WEEKEND 21–22 OCTOBER

Pray for the communities still reeling from the bombings of the Coptic Church in Egypt earlier this year. Pray for safety, for the church to grow rapidly in the face of adversity, and for all to realise how determined Christians are to continue meeting together, praising and worshipping God.

MONDAY 23 OCTOBER

Today marks the end of Diwali, Festival of Lights, which is celebrated all round the world including in Mumbai, India. Pray for the Church in Mumbai where Christians make up a fairly small percentage



of the total population, which consist of a mixture of religions including Hindus (67%), Muslims and Zoroastrians, and those with no faith at all.

TUESDAY 24 OCTOBER

Pray for everyone reading CWR daily Bible reading notes. Pray that God's Word will resonate deep within their hearts, that they will draw closer to Him today and live out their lives fully for His kingdom. Ask God to inspire and motivate readers to share their faith with others around them.



MONDAY 30 OCTOBER

International speakers and Christian leaders will gather for the Wittenberg 2017 summit this week, commemorating when Martin Luther's 95 Theses was nailed to the door of the Castle Church on 31 Oct 1517, 500 years ago. Pray for learning, fellowship and initiatives to develop and advance the gospel.

TUESDAY 31 OCTOBER

Pray for safety this evening as people celebrate Halloween. Pray that light parties being held in churches will unexpectedly draw in non-Christians and communities will be blessed by the welcoming, fun and open atmosphere of churches hosting events tonight.

WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER

Thank God for the Autumn Country Break happening this week at Pilgrim Hall. Praise Him for everyone who is taking part, pray for safety, fun and lasting fresh revelations of His glory for everyone who is involved.

THURSDAY 26 OCTOBER

From today until Sunday, 24-7 Prayer and Worship Central will be meeting in Birmingham for their annual Gathering. Pray for all the speakers and worship leaders, and that lives will be changed for God's glory as a result of what happens throughout the event.

FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER

Join CWR in thanking God for the loyal and dedicated Partners who support the ministry of the charity. Pray that more people would want to become Partners and commit to stand with and work with CWR to see the outworking of God's plans.

WEEKEND 28-29 OCTOBER

It has been nearly a month since the National Prayer Weekend. Pray for everyone who handed in prayer requests to begin to see how God is drawing alongside them and has listened to their prayers. Pray for many testimonies of answered prayer!

If you would like to give to the work of CWR, please send your gift to the address below or donate online:

www.cwr.org.uk

CWR, WAVERLEY ABBEY HOUSE, WAVERLEY LANE,
FARNHAM, SURREY GU9 8EP

Tel: +44 (0)1252 784700 Email: mail@cwr.org.uk

Registered Charity No. 294387

Registered Limited Company No. 1990308