

Church Family Prayer Meeting | 9 September 2026

BIBLE THOUGHT: PSALM 131

¹My heart is not proud, Lord,
my eyes are not haughty;
I do not concern myself with great matters
or things too wonderful for me.
²But I have calmed and quietened myself,
I am like a weaned child with its mother;
like a weaned child I am content.
³Israel, put your hope in the Lord
both now and for evermore.

How to pray...?

1) Knowing my place and God's

2) Depending like a child

Now and the future

Reach, build, send

YOUNG PEOPLE

Spotlight

Give thanks for:

...summer 'Storykeepers' series & those who helped run them
...Spotlight teachers and helping time in preparing engaging lessons each week
...the 11 children that come along, including one new child this term

Please pray for:

...relationships to be formed between leaders + children
...leaders to show and share Jesus with the children
...wisdom in planning and running an outreach event for children in October half-term
(*can you help?*)

Youth

Give thanks for:

...sacrificial team serving our youth week-by-week
...growing relationships, esp through termly socials
...growth in faith amongst youth members

Please pray for:

...this term as we look at "characters from Mark's gospel"
...new members to settle in well
...desire for youth to encourage & support one another
...a stretched team

Toddlers

Give thanks for:

...the Teddy Bears Picnic & growing friendships
...the sacrificial work of those preparing stories, setting and clearing up, serving refreshments, befriending people
...new term (12 children + newcomers)

Please pray for:

...those leading the sessions week-by-week
...wisdom in continuing both Tues+Thurs given numbers
...Bible truths being received
...growing relationships esp newcomers feeling welcome

SUNDAYS AND MIDWEEK

Growth Groups

Give thanks for:

...time working through Christianity Explored together
...so many of church family in a growth group
...sacrificial leaders, opening up homes and giving time

Please pray for:

...relationships strengthened; conversations deepened
...a desire to grapple with difficult passages, to know Jesus better
...a desire to help one another grow this year
...raising up more leaders for more groups
...wisdom for leaders as they prepare
...confidence in all of who Jesus is and what he has achieved
...being amazed by Jesus and persevering as a result

Genesis sermon series: Seeds of Hope

Give thanks for:

...opportunity to make sense of who we are & the world we're in
...a God who saves us from our biggest problems: death, sin, judgement

Please pray for:

...confidence in where our ultimate hope is/isn't found
...confidence in the Lord who makes and keeps his promises
...confidence to share this hope with others
...hearts hungry & open for God's word; gospel-filled chats over coffee
...our preachers and Bible readers
...for practical aspects of hearing God & talking about God
 (welcome, coffee pre/post service, AV etc)
...the music team helping us to sing & respond

FURTHER AFIELD: SUMMER CAMPS

Give thanks for:

...the provision and freedom of such summer camps to run across the UK
...a loving heavenly father who provided and sustained us in so many ways
...for God being at work by his Spirit as his word went out
...for many gospel conversations amongst activities, talks and bible studies
...hard-working cooks, servant-hearted taskforce team
...leaders humbly, confidently, showing and sharing Jesus
...a safe time, with no illness outbreaks or behaviour issues
...funds, keeping costs down for members

Please pray for:

...God's word continuing to be at work in member's hearts
...continued and growing relationships
...reunion planning (Nov) and that members can come
...planning meetings in October and March, as the team review and make improvements where needed for 2027
...leaders and members signing up for 2027
...continued provision of funds to help keep costs down