PRAYERS FOR APRIL & MAY 2025

"I give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High." (Psalm 9 v 1&2)

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Fill thou my life, O Lord my God, in every part with praise, that my whole being may proclaim thy being and thy ways: Fill every part of me with praise; let all my being speak of thee and of thy love, O Lord, poor thou I be and weak: (StF 73 v 1 & 4)

Prayers of thanks

- For Christ's sacrifice and resurrection as we celebrate Easter
- John was 60 on 1st Aril, celebrating in Nigeria
- Doris will be 90 on the 27th. One of her favourite verses is from Psalm 3 "I am awake for the Lord sustains me!"
- For God's glory all around, especially the beautiful blossom and the sunshine.
- For the love, support and prayers surrounding us in times of need

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Father hear the prayer we offer; not for ease that prayer should be, but for strength that we may ever live our lives courageously: Be the strength in hours of weakness, in our wandering be our guide; through endeavour, failure, danger, Father, be there at our side.

(StF 518 v 1 & 4)

Prayers of concern

- For increasing cost of living, causing many people to feel worried
- For increasing tensions around the world
- For continuing conflicts with loss of life, family & homes, and poor health care

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- For all involved in knife or gun crime.
- Appiah, asking for prayer because of ongoing disturbing dreams.
- All young people taking exams, and those having problems on social media

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Prayers for those known to us

Dave, Margaret & family; Gill Gray; Sarah; Lesley; Gillian; Barbara; Maureen; Joan; Bob; Dorothy; Sian; Kathy; Gill; Hazel; Adrian; Doris; Shirley Letitia; Andrea; Annie; Vic, Anne, Chris & family; Mitchell & family; Joanna; Sharon & Fiona; David R; Rosalind; Liz; Claudette; Elizabeth; Beryl; Janet; Fred & Val; Sheila:

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Speak to me, Lord, when life seems bereft of meaning and purpose. Direct my steps, give light to my path and lead me in your eternal way. Amen (Nick Fawcett)

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"Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, so that those who love your name may exult in you." (Psalm 5 v11)