

September Wave of Prayer

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide on:
6, 13, 20, 27

- 1-2** Harare in Zimbabwe; Machakos in Kenya;
Ogori-Magongo & Ekiti in Nigeria;
Southwark in England and Phulbani in India
- 3 – 5** Khartoum in Sudan; Dar es Salaam in
Tanzania; Bari & Ilesa in Nigeria;
Gloucester in England and Dugapur in
India
- 7 – 9** Pacong in South Sudan; Southern Nyanza
in Kenya; Kutigi & Ijesha North in Nigeria;
Bristol in England and Karnataka Central
in India
- 10 – 12** Pretoria in South Africa; North Mbale
in Uganda; Oke-Osun in Nigeria;
Exeter in England and Barbados
- 14 – 16** Mthatha in South Africa; Namirembe in
Uganda; Pankshin & Sabongidda-Ora in
Nigeria; Dublin & Glendalough in All
Ireland and Central Solomons
in Solomon Islands
- 17– 19** Buye in Burundi; Sebei in Uganda;
Abakaliki & Ekiti-Oke in Nigeria;
Southwell & Nottingham in England and
Belize
- 21 – 23** Rumbek in South Sudan; Soroti in
Uganda; Aba Ngwa North & Oyo in
Nigeria; Peterborough in England and
North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba
- 24 – 26** Makamba in Burundi; North Karamoja
in Uganda; Lokoja & Sapele in Nigeria;
Truro in England and Tirunelveli in India
- 28 – 30** Katanga in DR Congo; Rwenzori in
Uganda; Mbaise & Egba in Nigeria; Meath
& Kildare in All Ireland and Tiruchirappalli
Thanjavur in India

Final Blessing

**May God rain on us with his blessings, and
shine on us with his mercies.
May God blow onto us his wind of life, and
protect us with his presence.
Amen**

September 2020 Midday Prayers: Building hope and confidence Hope in all weathers

Monday: Hope in all weathers

My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.
The Lord watches over you –
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night. *Psalms 121:2, 5-6*

How faithful is our God! How constant is your love!

Whatever the weather we walk through today,
sunshine or rain, good times or hard;
we trust in your sure and steadfast hope
and anchor our lives on the security of your love.

In the midst of the storm
you give us your peace.
In the warmth of the sun
you give us your joy.
In the sight of the rainbow
you give us your hope.
We praise you, our faithful God. Amen

Tuesday: Hope in the storm

They cried out to the Lord in their trouble,
and he brought them out of their distress.
He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the
sea were hushed. They were glad when it grew
calm, and he guided them to their desired haven.
Psalms 107:28-30

When our life is rocked by raging waters of
trouble and distress Lord, hear our cries for
peace.

**Lord God, you are our refuge
in times of trouble, help when storm
clouds gather, strength in our weakness,
peace within our busyness, the focus of
our worship, our confidence and hope.**

May we know God's peace within the storms of
life; and in the quietness beyond, as the waves
subside, hear that gentle whisper,
'Be still, my child, and rest.'
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Wednesday: Hope in the sunshine

Oh, how sweet the light of day,
And how wonderful to live in the sunshine!
Even if you live a long time, don't take a single
day for granted.

Take delight in each light-filled hour.
Ecclesiastes 11:7-7 (The Message)

Lord, bathe me every morning in the sunlight of
your Word. Let it shine brightly on my sins, but
not to my despair. Warm my soul with grace.
Direct my steps with truth.

**Fill my words with gentleness.
Guide my eyes towards the works
you've prepared just for me.
Strengthen my heart with courage.**

As the earth feels the warmth of the sun,
let me feel your love.
As the earth feels the warmth of the sun,
let others feel your love from me.

**Thank you that I, like the sun,
could rise with you this morning.
Amen**

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Thursday: Hope in the cloud

We don't yet see things clearly. We're squinting in
a fog, peering through a mist.
But it won't be long before the weather clears and
the sun shines bright!

We'll see it all then, see it all as clearly as God sees
us, knowing him directly
just as he knows us!

1 Corinthians 13:12 (The Message)

**All-seeing God,
pierce the haze of our weaknesses.
Flood the eyes of our hearts with light
and break through our clouded vision.**

When our way ahead is hard to see
we pray for your clarity to penetrate
the clouds of our partial knowledge
and blurred understanding.

When hurts and disappointment
obscure our way through life,
shine your light through mists of confusion
to bring clearer insight and hope.

Amen

Friday: Hope in the drought

The seeds die in the parched ground,
and the grain crops fail. The barns stand empty,
and granaries are abandoned. *Joel 1:17*

Lord of all weathers,
who created the world with enough to supply the
needs of all, we pray for those in desperate
situations of drought and famine:

**Where natural conditions have held back
the rains, where natural disasters have led
to famine, we pray for your mercy, Lord of
the harvest.**

Throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour
out your blessing
on those who are suffering a drought of hope and
a famine of faith,
as they battle with their extremities of hardship.

**Show us the part that we can play in
bringing
hope and practical solutions,
that crops and lives may flourish once
more.**

Amen

Saturday: Hope in the rainbow

Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I
will see it and remember the everlasting covenant
between God and all living creatures of every
kind on the earth. *Genesis 9:16*

Loving Lord,
send the rays of your divine sunshine
to drive away the showers of earthly concerns
and light up our lives with the rainbow hues
of your multi-faceted blessing.
Lift our eyes that we may delight
in the brightness and beauty
of your covenant love
which colours our lives with joy and hope.

**O Christ our Morning Star,
Splendour of Light Eternal,
shining with the glory of the rainbow,
come and waken us
from the greyness of our apathy
and renew us in your gift of hope.
Amen**

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