

If the church doth not pray, how shall she excuse her base neglect of the commission of her loving Lord?

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UK Strategic Prayer Initiative – December 2025

1. Pastor / Pray your pastor will have a solid amount of time with their family. Please also circle the day of your birthday you pray for your Pastor.

2. Persecuted Christians / Pray for persecuted Christians in the West Bank. Radical Muslims have threatened to kill a Christian convert from Islam and his family, including his four children. After receiving the death threats, the man and his family fled from Bethlehem to hide in a larger city. They request prayer that Israeli authorities will allow them to stay. Another West Bank convert to Christianity was confronted by his parents and his village imam with an ultimatum: return to Islam within a month or be imprisoned by local Palestinian officials. Source: www.icommittoprayer.com

3. UK Supreme Court / Pray God will draw Justice of The Supreme Court, Right Hon. Lord Michael Briggs to make decisions in keeping with the purity and character of the living God. Lord Richards has served on the court since October 2022. Pray the Lord will bring future justices of His choice onto the Court in His sovereign timing.

4. Unreached People Groups / Pray God will raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 38,040,000 member Java Pesisir Lor group of Indonesia. Source: www.joshuaproject.net

5. Each Country's Leader / Pray that President Asif Ali Zardari, the primary leader of Pakistan (252.4 million), will be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that will assist the gospel to spread freely in this country, and allow people to live in peace. Pray for the Christian community (1.4% of Pakistan's population) treated mainly as second class citizens.

6. Bibleless People Groups / Pray the Suri (26,900) people of Ethiopia will have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scripture in their heart language. Source: Wycliffe

7. Church Staff and Leaders / Pray for everyone involved in leadership in our church family. May their motive of serving be "the glory of God." May each one live Spirit led lives that reflect a wonderful witness for the Lord Jesus Christ.

8. An Orphanage Needing Your Prayers / Pray for the children and workers who live at the Bakka Kinship Project in Uganda. Pray the staff will have the Holy Spirit's help in raising up genuine Christian disciples with each of the children. Pictures of the home can be seen at www.kinshipunited.org

9. Abortion / should be allowed on demand up to birth, a Scottish Government-commissioned report has recommended. The Abortion Law Review Expert Group called for abortion to be allowed beyond 24 weeks gestation for almost any reason, for decriminalisation of abortion, and for abortion to be recognised as a right for "all pregnant people" in Scotland. Among other controversial recommendations, the group opposed mandatory counselling, stronger protections against coercion, and a prohibition on sex-selective abortion. Pray this evil agenda will be defeated. Source: Christian Institute

10. Household Debt / Christians Against Poverty (CAP) has warned that millions of UK households are facing a "household debt crisis," with families struggling to afford essentials while managing debts they cannot repay. It's new research highlights around 9.5 million adults do not earn enough to cover basic living costs, while 9.2 million are burdened by unmanageable debt. CAP has urged reforms to ensure livable incomes, abolish the five-week Universal Credit wait, remove the two-child benefit limit, and expand access to face-to-face debt advice. Pray for all those working for just change.

11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 40% of the World's Population) / China - Pray that China's sheer size, its financial boom, and the lack of freedom of information do not conspire to multiply injustices and expand the gap between rich and poor. Pray for political and economic reforms that crass materialism and personal greed would be averted. Pray for policy-makers to wisely address the many issues surrounding property ownership, banking, the widening gap between rich and poor, and private versus state-provided services. Source: Operation World.

12. Religious Education in Northern Ireland / Christian leaders in Northern Ireland have responded to the UK Supreme Court ruling that Christian-focused religious education (RE) and collective worship in schools breach human rights standards. The landmark judgment, which upheld an appeal by a pupil known as JR87 and her father, found that RE and collective worship must be taught in an objective, critical, and pluralistic way. The case did not seek to remove religion from schools but challenged instruction that could amount to indoctrination. The ruling allows Christian prayers and hymns to continue in assemblies, but schools need to ensure a greater variety of speakers and perspectives are included. Pray for students to see and determine the uniqueness of the Christian faith compared to other religions. Source: Premier

13. Parliament / Pray for Sir Desmond Angus Swanne Conservative Member of Parliament for New Forest West since 1997. Desmond served as an officer in the Iraq War for 6 months. He is a Christian and a member of Christians in Parliament. Pray for his wife and three children. Source: Wikipedia

14. Hospice UK / which represents more than 200 hospices, raised the alarm last year about a £77-million deficit that the sector was facing. Two in five hospices in England are planning to cut their staffing or services. Across the UK the state meets about 30 per cent of the hospices operating costs. Otherwise, their work is funded by legacies, charity shops, jumble sales etc. Pray for all those engaged in this important and dignified work.

15. Christian Ministries / Soldiers' and Airmen's Scripture Readers Association (SASRA) Pray for this work among serving men and women in the armed forces as a living reminder that Christ's light should shine in every place. Through personal witness and patient ministry, they carry the hope of the gospel into barracks and bases, standing shoulder to shoulder with those who stand ready to serve.

16. Prime Ministers Cabinet / Pray for Peter Kyle who serves as Secretary of State for Business and Trade and President of the Board of Trade. Peter is a Labour Party member and serves the constituents in Hove and Portslade. After university, Peter worked as an aid worker and as a project director for the charity Children on the Edge in Eastern Europe and the Balkans. He helped young people whose lives had been affected by the political instability created by the Bosnian War and Kosovan War, and helped establish an orphanage in Romania. Source: Wikipedia

17. Lancaster University Christian Union / Pray for the leaders of LUCU whose motto is to "give every student the opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ". Pray that many students will come to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

18. Syria / Pray for Farid and his team ministering to the elderly, people with special needs, the homeless and displaced. Pray for church gatherings and youth groups to be safe and spiritually vibrant. Remember for new believers growing in faith, and the Bible House ministry across Syria. Lift up displaced Syrians and teams preparing fall and winter activities. Pray urgently for schools to reopen, as students have been left without access to education. Source: Help the Persecuted.

19. The Nations / Peru - Pray for a return to peace and stability after decades of corruption, dictatorships, and terror. Pray for humble pastors trained in biblical theology who reflect Jesus to a watching culture. Pray for Christians to boldly oppose sin and injustice while also ministering to the poor and oppressed. Source: www.prayercast.com and www.operationworld.org

20. Evangelists / Pray for all those men and women who are trusting God and seeking to proclaim Jesus and the gospel to the unsaved by various methods, be it on the streets, in community halls, dockyards etc. across the nation. Pray for good follow up to those who come to profess the Saviour.

21. The Church / Ask God to empower believers to live a life of separation from the immoral practices of our secular culture. (James 1:22-25, James 4:4 and 1 Peter 2:11)

22. The Family / Pray for the Lord's direct intervention to help reverse the breakdown of marriage in our country. Pray that God would grant husbands and wives the wisdom to avoid any small flirtations at their place of employment or elsewhere.

23. The Education System / Pray for Christian fellowships to be raised up in high schools across the country. Ask the Lord to bless relationships in these fellowships, giving students strength to live lives pleasing to Christ.

24. Cultural Influencers / Joe Sugg – English YouTuber. Pray that God will infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension and that he will help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God's personal impact on his life.

25. God Incarnate / Praise God as we celebrate today the coming of the Lord Jesus to earth to provide a way of redemption for mankind. Thank him for his submission to His fathers will, his life, teaching, his endurance of rejection and his surrender to death on the cross on our behalf. Pray that many who do not know the Lord will consider the reason for his coming to earth.

26. Boxing Day /Traditionally this was a day when the wealthy gave gifts to their servants and the poor. Pray for and consider someone you can bless today as Christ would have us do.

27. Important Legal or Humanitarian Relief Situation / Pray for the 10 million internally displaced and the 2 million who have fled and become refugees as a result of the conflict in Sudan. The banking and healthcare systems have collapsed, and the conflict has made farming impossible, creating the worst hunger crisis ever recorded in Sudan. Over 730 thousand children are at risk of dying. Pray there will be welcoming places for the displaced. Source: World Vision

28. Threat of War / Problems facing the Armed Forces have been brought into focus by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, now approaching its fourth year. MPs and defence experts say more needs to be done to inform the public about the threats Britain faces, which are inching closer. Pray for wisdom and courage for all those responsible for our national protection and the populace to be aware of the real and significant threats we face. Source: The Telegraph

29. National Revival / As the foundations of society appear to be collapsing pray the Holy Spirit will be poured out on the United Kingdom, bringing deep conviction of sin, and ushering in an extended season of national repentance, conversion, pursuit of holiness, social responsibility, and the coming of God's Manifest Presence. Pray any schemes of the enemy to thwart God's plans and truth in the nation, your church, or in your home, will have no effect.

30. Labourers / Jesus Christ taught that the majority would see eternal destruction and only the minority would take the narrow path to eternal life (Mt. 7:13-14 & 7:21-23). Pray as He directed that "labourers" will be raised up to help more find the narrow path to heaven. *[The harvest truly is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray the Lord...to send out labourers. Mt. 9:37-38]*

31. The New Year / Pray that each of us would follow the Lord closely this coming year and seek first "His Kingdom" as we await his return. Revelation 1:7

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