

August Wave of Prayer

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide on :-
2, 9, 16, 23, 30. And for dioceses as follows:-

- 1** Boga in DR Congo; Manicaland in Zimbabwe; Tanga in Tanzania; Ogoni in Nigeria; Carlisle in England and Melbourne in Australia
- 3-5** Juba in South Sudan; Kitale in Kenya; Minna & Lagos in Nigeria; Moray, Ross & Caithness in Scotland and Madurai-Ramnad in India
- 6-8** Northern Malawi in Malawi; Eldoret in Kenya; Ngbo & Akure in Nigeria; North West Australia in Australia and Aipo Rongo in Papua New Guinea
- 10-12** Niassa in Mozambique; Masindi Kitara in Uganda; Langtang & Esan in Nigeria; North Queensland in Australia and Kolhapur in India
- 13-15** Natal in South Africa; Kajiado in Kenya; Okigwe & Western Izon in Nigeria; Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island in Canada and Toungo in Myanmar
- 17-19** Kasai in DR Congo; Shyira in Rwanda; Ijumu & Egba West in Nigeria; Liverpool in England and Sambalpur in India
- 20-22** Central Zimbabwe in Zimbabwe; Lango in Uganda; Kebbi in Nigeria; Tamale in Ghana; Sheffield in England and Guadalcanal in Solomon Islands
- 24-26** Saldanha Bay in South Africa; Karamoja in Uganda; Udi & Etsako in Nigeria; Wellington in New Zealand and Yangon in Myanmar
- 27-29** Matabeleland in Zimbabwe; Mount Kenya Central in Kenya; Niger West in Nigeria; Wangaratta in Australia; Clogher in All Ireland and Hpa-An in Myanmar

31 Harare in Zimbabwe; Machakos in Kenya; Ogori-Magongo & Ekiti in Nigeria; Southwark in England and Phulbani in India

Final Blessing

We go in hope and confidence to share the love of Christ; united across the world as the family of God. Amen.

August 2020 Midday Prayers : Building hope and confidence Hope and confidence worldwide

Monday: Hope and confidence worldwide

Everyone will share the story of your wonderful goodness; they will sing with joy about your righteousness. *Psalm 145:7 (NLT)*

Let all the world, in every corner sing, My God and King! We join hands across the world to celebrate our hope and confidence in Christ.

We join in celebration with our worldwide family of God; one in heart, to glorify your name. Together we bring our worship, together we bring our praise.

As children of God from all nations we share each other's joy in your abundant blessings of grace; We rejoice with those who rejoice and together praise our heavenly Father.

As the family of Mothers' Union we are united in hope and confidence. We glorify our heavenly Father with thankful hearts. Amen

Tuesday: Sharing love and service

My children, our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action. *1 John 3:18 (GNT)*

Loving Lord, we give thanks for the privilege of service as Mothers' Union worldwide.

We pray for our members throughout the world as they build hope and confidence in others through their witness and their work.

We give thanks for signs of transformation in families and communities worldwide as we reach out in love and service.

We pray for the flourishing of Mothers' Union as we adapt for the needs of this present time and entrust ourselves to God to lead us forward.

Unite us together in hope and confidence to continue to reach out as your hands across the world. Amen

Wednesday: Beauty for ashes

He will bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes. *Isaiah 61:3*

We delight greatly in the Lord; our souls rejoice in our God. For he has accepted our repentant hearts and crowned us with the beauty of forgiveness.

Loving Saviour, we worship you with grateful hearts for receiving the ashes of our repentance and cleansing our lives with the waters of your grace. Truly we are blessed beyond measure.

Loving Saviour, we praise you with joyful hearts for crowning us with beautiful forgiveness and touching our lives with the radiance of your love. Truly we are blessed beyond measure.

Loving Saviour, Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world we worship you, we give you thanks, we rejoice in your resurrection glory. Amen

Thursday: Oil of joy

He will bestow on them the oil of joy instead of mourning. *Isaiah 61:3*

We delight greatly in the Lord; our souls rejoice in our God. For he has replaced our sorrow and shame with the joy of resurrection.

Rejoice!

The stone is rolled away, grave clothes neatly folded, no more the smell of death, behold the empty tomb!

Halleluia! He is risen!

Rejoice!

Scripture has been fulfilled, the sting of death is gone, the victory has been won, behold the risen Christ!

Halleluia! He is risen!

Rejoice!

The curtain's torn in two, our God invites us in, Christ's sacrifice enough to wash away our sins!

**Halleluia! He is risen!
He is risen indeed!**

Amen

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Friday: Garment of praise

He will bestow on them a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. *Isaiah 61:3*

We delight greatly in the Lord; our souls rejoice in our God. For he has clothed us with garments of salvation and covered us in robes of his righteousness.

What joy is ours as we receive the wondrous impartation of praise; as our lives are wrapped securely in the mantle of salvation.

**We delight greatly in the Lord;
our souls rejoice in our God.**

Our spirits are lifted, hope rises within as Christ's holiness covers our failings to present us as righteous and perfect before the throne of almighty God.

**Risen Lord,
may our songs of praise echo around
heaven and earth and bring glory to your
name. Amen**

Saturday: Eternal Inheritance

Instead of disgrace you will rejoice in your inheritance. *Isaiah 61:7*

We delight greatly in the Lord; our souls rejoice in our God. For he has swept away our sins with the promise of eternal life.

Praise God! Because of the resurrection of his son, Jesus Christ, we have been given a brand-new life, and a glorious future!

**Come into his presence
with praise and thanksgiving,
with laughter and song.**

Praise God!

Through the resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ, we have been reborn into a living hope—an eternal inheritance, held in reserve in heaven, that will never fade or fail.

**Blessing and glory
and honour and power and might
be to our God forever and ever!**

Amen

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