

Sunday 24th May 2020

A prayer for others

We bring before you, O God, our concerns for our world:

where there is violence, we pray for peace; where there is sickness we pray for health; where there is despair we pray for hope. We pray that you would be active in health care: in the work of doctors and dentists, psychiatrists and psychologists, nurses and administrators, pharmacists and researchers. Guide our activity in the church: may we find ways to grow; may we always honour you; may we serve our communities.

Lord, hear us, heal us and shine through our lives.

Live your faith

In any situation you find yourself in this week, look for an opportunity to do something that will glorify or lift up God/Jesus.

Prayer for the week

In Jesus name. Amen.

Lord, may your glory be seen in what I do and who I am.

Amen

On Tuesday we held our first Zoom prayer meeting.

For those who were unable to join us the prayer points for the week from this meeting were:

- Pray for upholding and comfort for Paula and her family following the sad death of her sister.
- Pray for those who are ministering at funerals during this difficult time when funerals are being conducted in a different way with a limited amount of mourners allowed.
 Pray for those who are unable to attend the funerals of their loved ones due to current restrictions.
- Pray for those whose medical and mental health issues are not being dealt with at the moment due to appointments being postponed and delayed.
- We thank you for the wonders of technology, which allow us to meet and share together. However we are aware that not everyone has access to join in and how do we all gather together? A suggestion was made of having a service in the park.
- Pray for those who are living in fear and frightened to leave the house.
- Pray for protection around the children going back to school. Pray for their parents
 who will be anxious about them going to school and pray for the teachers caring for
 the children. Pray for wisdom and guidance for those making decisions.
- Pray for families in lockdown at home having to explain this strange and unsettling time to young children.
- Remember those in Care Homes especially pray for our dear friend Sheila in Acacia Lodge.
- Give thanks for younger members of the family caring for older ones and thanks for helpful neighbours and friends.

Paul read from Psalm 139 and we shared the grace together.

Let me know if you would like to join the prayer meeting next week and I can forward you the details of how to join in. Elizabeth