

Prayers for the 24th of September 2023

Let us bow our heads in prayer.

Come Holy Spirit.

Father God, King of Kings, we ask you to be with us as we worship you this morning.

We are thankful for the opportunity to be in your presence mighty God.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Creator God. We know that you have called us to do great and wonderful things and so we surrender to the power of the holy spirit that is able to do more that we can ask or think.

We ask you to ignite your fire in this church so that we can do more and more and more for you. We ask for a love that is felt as people walk through the doors, so that they know that this is no ordinary place but one that is filled with humble people desperate to serve and do marvellous things in your name Lord.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Father God, I thank you for the opportunity to celebrate the life of our dear friend Clarrisa Cousins last Friday. We thank you that your presence was felt in many ways at that service and I am sure throughout the day. Lord you know how much we will miss her, her lovely hugs and her wonderful smile. Be with her family now Lord, giving them comfort and an indescribable peace that surpasses understanding. Bring her children and grandchildren together at this time so that her love for them and the love she had for You can be evident to all.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord God, I thank you for the young members of the congregation that are going off to university for the first time in the forthcoming days and weeks. Father Lord, be with them as they soak up all that the opportunity has to offer. Lord Jesus, help them to shine in all that they do. Help them to make the right friends and have the right attitude to all that a university experience has to offer. Let this opportunity propel them to new and greater heights as you make them bold and unashamed to live for you Lord Jesus.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

In this harvest month, we thank you for the blessings you have given us. We pray for those for whom food is an expensive luxury; for those living on very little; for those unsure of where their next meal will come from and for all those for whom hunger is the reality of life. Make a way where there seems to be no way Lord. I thank you for miracles and answered prayers for anyone in the congregation affected on this front in Jesus' name.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Caring God, we pray for all those who are afflicted by physical, emotional or mental illness. Help them to keep their eyes fixed on you and give them the courage to face the problems affecting their daily lives. In a moment of silence, please pray for anybody who is on your mind today. Comfort and heal all of those mentioned so that they may be aware of your presence with them.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As I bring these prayers to a close, I thank you for your peace that passes all understanding and your joy that knows no bounds.

Merciful father accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our saviour Jesus Christ.