

Praying for our nation

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Col 4;2-3 (NIV)



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses, as we also have forgiven those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

Prayer used in the House of Commons before every session

Lord, the God of righteousness and truth, grant to our Queen and her government, to Members of Parliament and all in positions of responsibility, the guidance of Your Spirit. May they never lead this nation wrongly through love of power, desire to please, or unworthy ideals, but laying aside all private interests and prejudices keep in mind their responsibility to seek to improve the condition of all mankind; so may Your kingdom come and Your name be hallowed. Amen.

Prayer by the Archbishop of York

God of eternal love and power,
Save our Parliamentary Democracy;
Protect our High Court of Parliament and all its members
From partiality and prejudice;
That they may walk the path of kindness, justice and mercy.

Prayer by Rev John Beer (Baptist Union)

We are deeply thankful that for many years we have been blessed by relative peace and freedom from war in Europe. As a new chapter opens, we earnestly pray for continued stability in this geographic area.

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We ask that as a nation we would be able to move forward together after the divisions that the referendum has exposed. May the Christian community provide support to the oppressed and the needy, and in our struggles encourage us to show the love and compassion of our Saviour, Amen.

24-7 Prayer

In this time of turmoil...

We pray for the Prime Minister and Party Leaders as they negotiate the political future of our nation:

Father, give them your wisdom and vision.

We pray for all in Parliament as they represent their communities:

Jesus, give them your humility and strength.

We pray for the media as they interpret events for the nation:

Holy Spirit, give them your truth and compassion.

We pray for ourselves, your Church, as we show your love to our neighbours:

Would we speak hope, embody courage and model unity in diversity.

Almighty God, we place our trust in you:

For yours is the kingdom the power and the glory, now and forever, Amen.

A Prayer for the United Kingdom

O Sovereign Lord, in Your mercy move in each of our nations; to restore the honour of Your Name, restrain the forces of evil, renew Your Church and bring spiritual revival! We pray for all people, especially those in authority; that we may live quiet and peaceful lives.

Almighty God, we beseech You to guide our government and all others involved in the Brexit situation; that Your will may be done in the UK and throughout Europe now and in the years to come. Loving Shepherd, please bring back those who have wandered; to repent and receive the forgiveness and eternal life of Your gospel. Lift up the vulnerable and wounded and grant them healing, comfort and new hope. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Give them wisdom, insight and a concern for the common good.

The weight of their calling is too much to bear in their own strength,

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Therefore we pray earnestly, Father,
send them help from your Holy Place, and be their tower of strength.
Lord, graciously hear us. Amen.