

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!
January
Time for transformation

Monday: Time for transformation

See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?
Isaiah 43:19

**Loving Lord, transform our lives
that we may reflect the glory of Christ
and share his love in the world.**

You are the potter, Lord,
and in your skilful hands
even the unlikeliest of clay
becomes a thing of beauty
and useful, bringing glory
not to the pot, but its creator.

So take these lives, this clay,
and in your loving hands
transform and make us
into what we long to be;
made useful, Lord, for you.

Transform our struggles
into victories.
**Transform our doubting
into certainty.**
Transform our stumbles
into confidence.
**Transform our sorrow
into worshipping,
gracious God, we pray.**

Amen

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Tuesday: Spiritual transformation

We are being transformed into his likeness
with ever-increasing glory,
which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.
2 Corinthians 3:18

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit
that my thoughts may all be holy;

Act in me O Holy Spirit
that my works, too, may be holy;

Draw my heart O Holy Spirit
that I love but what is holy;

Strengthen me O Holy Spirit
to defend all that is holy;

Guard me then O Holy Spirit
that I always may be holy.
St. Augustine of Hippo

**Loving Lord, transform our lives
that we may reflect the glory of Christ.
Continue in us the work of your Spirit;
the miracle of transformation
from the gloom of sin
to the glory of Christ
Amen**

Wednesday: Daily transformation

Let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes.
Put on your new nature, created to be like God—
truly righteous and holy.

Ephesians 4:23-24 (NLT)

Lord of all time, forever working your purpose out
for the good of humankind,
give us insight, born of faith in you,
that we may live in your transforming presence
and welcome what is new for us this and every day.

Reach into our hearts with hope and confidence
to embrace the tough transformations,
to make the real and lasting changes,
to seek the truly good answers;
for the sake of our families, communities,
and for our world.

MU New Zealand

**May all we are,
everything we think, say and do,
be blessed by God,
constantly renewed
and daily transformed
through his awesome power
and unfailing love.**

Amen

From Nick Fawcett

Thursday: Process of transformation

“I know the plans *and* thoughts that I have for you,” says the Lord,
“plans for peace *and* well-being and not for disaster,
to give you a future and a hope.”

Jeremiah 29:11 (AMP)

**Gracious God,
make known to us your plans
for peace and wellbeing;
to bring lasting transformation.**

Lord, we pray for lives to be transformed
into ones of self respect and sufficiency
through effective use of your resources.

We pray for families to be transformed
into strong and loving households
as they explore your ways for relationship.

We pray for communities to be transformed
into ones of resilience and prosperity
through trust and cooperation.

**Gracious God,
guide us in your plans
for peace and wellbeing;
to transform lives for good.
Amen**

Friday: Lasting transformation

I am making a way in the wilderness
and streams in the wasteland.

Isaiah 43:19

**God the Holy Spirit,
You are the restless breath of love
that sweeps through the world.**

You move where you will, breaking down barriers,
stirring hearts to change, making all things possible.
Inspire each one of us to hunger and thirst for justice!

**Come, Spirit of God,
sweep through our world
bringing great change.**

May the bounty of your goodness be shared more justly,
so all may share in the rich blessings of your creation.

**And, for us, bring transformation
in our praying and living,
so that we may act justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you all the days of our lives.**

Amen

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Saturday: Personal transformation

Put on your new nature, and be renewed
as you learn to know your Creator
and become like him.

Colossians 3:10 (NLT)

**Lord, in you I am transformed
and transformed still again.**

When the discouraged cry for hope, make me hope.
When the hungry cry for bread, make me bread.
When the thirsty cry for water, make me water.
When the suffering cry for help, make me help.
When the sick cry for healing, make me healing.
When the bound cry for freedom, make me freedom.
When the outcasts cry for love, make me love.

Lord who is hope
who is bread and water,
who is help and healing,
who is freedom,
and who is love,
transform me anew.

**And so keep me close to you,
as you transform the world.**

Amen

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Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1 – 3 All Mothers' Union trustees and staff throughout the world**
- 4 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 5 – 7** Swaziland; Ruaha in Tanzania; Aguata & Lagos Mainland in Nigeria;
Norwich in England and Chotanagpur in India
- 8 – 10** Lesotho; Kibungo in Rwanda; Etche & Ogbomoso in Nigeria; Leeds
in England and Hanuato in Solomon Islands
- 11 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 12 – 14** Mauritius; Kericho in Kenya; Katsina in Nigeria; Kumasi in Ghana;
Winchester in England and Nandyal in India
- 15 – 17** Seychelles; Bukedi in Uganda; Enugu in Nigeria; Birmingham in England
and Marathwada in India
- 18 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 19 – 21** St Mark the Evangelist in South Africa; Butare in Rwanda; Okigwe-South
in Nigeria; Gambia; British Columbia in Canada and Rajasthan in India
- 22 – 24** Egypt; Gasabo in Rwanda; Otukpo & On the Coast in Nigeria; Bathurst in
Australia and Nasik in India
- 25 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 26 – 28** False Bay in South Africa; Shinyanga in Tanzania; Umuahia & Ijebu South
West in Nigeria; Bath & Wells in England and Vellore in India
- 29 – 31** Masvingo in Zimbabwe; Kibondo in Tanzania; Nebbi in Uganda; Bida in
Nigeria; Llandaff in Wales and Kanyakumari in India

Final Blessing

**May the love of God, the grace of Christ and the power of the Spirit,
bring transformation to our lives,
that we may be used to transform the world.**

Amen

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February
Colours of transformation

Monday: Rainbow

Like the appearance of a rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day,
so was the radiance around him.
This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord.
Ezekiel 1:28

Christ our Lord,
radiant in splendour and glory,
shine your love into the darkness
and paint our lives with the rainbow hues
of your multi-faceted blessing.

Lift our eyes that we may delight
in the brightness and beauty
of your transformational love
which colours our lives with joy and hope.

**O Christ our Morning Star,
Splendour of Light Eternal,
shining with the glory of the rainbow,
come and waken us
from the greyness of our apathy
and renew us in your gift of hope.**

Amen

The Venerable Bede

Tuesday: Red

Come now, let us settle the matter,
says the Lord.

Though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red as crimson,
they shall be like wool.

Isaiah 1:18

**Christ, our spotless Redeemer,
who cleanses us from sin,
look upon us with mercy and grace.**

In shame, I come to Christ,
carrying the filthy rags of my sin,
stained in crimson guilt.

In faith, I lay them at Christ's feet,
whispering words of penitence,
helpless to make amends.

In love, Christ transforms my life,
making me clean as newly-fallen snow
with his crimson blood of righteousness

**Christ our spotless Redeemer,
who takes away the sin of the world,
we bring you our worship and praise.
Amen**

Wednesday: Green

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,
he restores my soul.

Psalm 23:1-3

When our lives are dull and dry,
the colour drained by the demands we face:

Lord, lead us to pastures green.
Transform our parched souls
into abundant places of fruitfulness
with your verdant refreshment.

Shelter us in leafy shade.
Restore us in times of dryness
by the waters of the Spirit
as we soak in your Word.

Plant us in fertile places.
Transform our barrenness
into lives that will produce
a vibrant harvest of faith.

**Surely your goodness and mercy
will colour all the days of our lives,
until we dwell in your house
forevermore.**

Amen

Thursday: White

Jesus led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone.
There he was transfigured before them.
His clothes became dazzling white,
whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.

Mark 9:2-3

Chosen One, Beloved of the Father,
lead us to the heights of your presence
that we may behold your dazzling radiance.

**Bathe us in the rays of your glorious truth
that we may be transformed by your perfect love.**

**Open our ears to listen to your voice
that we may be transformed by your words of life.**

Then lead us on by the light of your presence,
renewed in spirit and envisioned in faith;
to works that bring lasting transformation
in the world you have called us to serve.

Amen

Friday: Sparkling jewels

Afflicted city, storm-tossed and not comforted,
I will rebuild you with stones of turquoise,
your foundations with sapphires.
I will make your battlements of rubies,
your gates of sparkling jewels,
and all your walls of precious stones.
Isaiah 54:11

Christ our King,
you were storm-tossed by those you died to save;
rejected by those you came to build into your kingdom.
Yet now you shine with resurrection glory,
radiating bejewelled light,
as you stand on the foundations of eternity.

So, in your mercy, transform us in our hardships
and rebuild the foundations of our lives,
with sparkling jewels of your love and grace.

**May we shine as precious living stones,
reflecting the light of Christ our King,
and may his light transform the world.
Amen**

Saturday: Colours of transformation

We all are being transformed into his image
with ever-increasing glory,
which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.
2 Corinthians 3:18

**Take your canvas, God,
and sketch on it
a new life for me.
Shape me, style me
and shade me with your Spirit.**

Paint over the old me
with all my blemishes and flaws
and then, with Jesus as your model
draw my heart again
and colour it with love.

God, paint over the old me
and draw me again
so that I can see the world
from your perspective.
Then, after growth and in wisdom
perhaps one day
someone will look and see in me
your masterpiece
a portrait of the glory of Jesus.

Amen

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Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

1 Mothers' Union worldwide

2 – 4 Matlosane in South Africa; Mumias in Kenya; Eha-Amufu in Nigeria; Ballarat in Australia; Niagara in Canada and North Kerala in India

5 – 7 Botswana; Marsabit in Kenya; Idah & Jebba in Nigeria; Salisbury in England and Andaman & Car Nicobar Islands in India

8 Mothers' Union worldwide

9 – 11 Lainya in South Sudan; Ankole in Uganda; Abuja & Lagos-West in Nigeria; Lichfield in England and Karnataka North in India

12 – 14 Matana in Burundi; South Ankole in Uganda; Morogoro in Tanzania; Ohaji/Egbema in Nigeria; New Westminster in Canada and Dornakal in India

15 Mothers' Union worldwide

16 – 18 Bentiu in South Sudan; Bunyoro Kitara in Uganda; Okigwe-North & Omu- Aran in Nigeria; Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh in All Ireland and Krishna-Godavari in India

19 – 21 Free State in South Africa; Bondo in Kenya; Ogbia & Offa in Nigeria; Swansea & Brecon in Wales; Argentina and Uruguay

22 Mothers' Union worldwide

23 – 25 Wau in South Sudan; Kigeme in Rwanda; Bauchi in Nigeria; St David's in Wales and Mandalay in Myanmar

26 – 28 Mundri in South Sudan; Madi & West Nile in Uganda; Isikwuatu in Nigeria; Chichester in England and Seoul in South Korea

Final Blessing

**May the rainbow blessing of the God of transformation
be ours now and always,
as we go in faith to serve the world.**

Amen

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!
March
Lenten transformation

Monday: Mercy

**Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love.**

Psalm 51:1

Merciful God,
Have mercy on our souls,
according to your unwavering love;
according to your abundant mercy
wipe away our sins and the guilt
we have carried for so long.

Instead write your love on our hearts,
your boundaries for our lives.
Your salvation that sets us free from our sins,
to live the abundant life you have for each of us.

Create in us clean hearts,
Renew your spirit within us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in us a willing spirit.
Write your love on our hearts, O God,
Amen

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**O God, in your mercy, accept my sacrifice
of a humble and repentant heart.
Amen**

Tuesday: Forgiveness

**According to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.**

Psalm 51:1

Lord God, your love for humankind,
present in the beginning of all things,
extends throughout history
and touches even my life.

Your love sees failings
and forgives.
Your love feels pain
and wipes away our tears.
Your love knows grief,
and comforts the sorrowful.
Your love sees sin
and still loves the sinner.

Forgive us when we fail to live
lives that reflect your love.
Forgive us the many times
when we take for granted
all that you have done for us.

Transform us, through your Spirit,
and empower us to serve you
this day and all days.

Amen

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**O God, in your compassion, accept my sacrifice
of a humble and repentant heart.**

Amen

Wednesday: Cleansing

**Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.**

Psalm 51:2

In this season of Lent
we embrace with gladness the rites of repentance
and turn with purpose from our selfish ways
that our lives may be cleansed and made whole.

**O God, forgive our selfish ways
and cleanse us from sin:
May your righteousness grow in us.**

As the stain of our sin is erased
by the holy sacrifice of Christ
our hearts are filled with deep gratitude;
our shame replaced by joy.

**O God, restore us in your love
and keep us from sin:
May your grace dwell in us.
Amen**

**O God, cleanse me from sin, and accept my sacrifice
of a humble and repentant heart.
Amen**

Thursday: Renewal

**Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.**

Psalm 51:10

Create in us clean hearts, and renew in us steadfast spirits.
Let our renewed vision see the places where you beckon;
let our clean hearts be broken for the things that cause you pain.
Let us be present with you in healing and deliverance,
and let us be instruments of your peace.

Supply us with the boldness of your Holy Spirit,
to be strength for the weak and a voice for the silenced.
Empower us with the sureness of your presence
that as we walk in your way
we may see transformation in this world.
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**O God, in your renewing grace, accept my sacrifice
of a humble and repentant heart.
Amen**

Friday: Salvation

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.**

Psalm 51:12

May we rejoice and be glad
That our life-giving God has made a way
for worn and weary souls to be sustained.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation, Lord.

May refugees be restored to safety.
May flooded land be restored to fertile ground.
May broken hearts be restored to wholeness.
May fearful lives be restored to peaceful rest.
May compassion fatigue be restored to hopeful perseverance.

**Restore to us the joy of your salvation, Lord.
Grant in us a willing spirit to sustain us.**

Amen

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**O God, as I rejoice in your salvation, accept my sacrifice
of a humble and repentant heart.
Amen**

Saturday: Praise

**Open my lips, Lord,
and my mouth will declare your praise.**

Psalm 51:15

**We trust in your unfailing love;
our hearts rejoice in your salvation.
We will sing the Lord's praise,
for he has been good to us.**

How can we not sing your praise
with heart and soul
and proclaim your name
throughout the world?

**God of creation,
Awesome in power,
Sustainer,
Provider,
Saviour,
Father of all,
there is none like you!**

How can we not declare your glory
through all that we are,
and proclaim your name
throughout this world?

Amen

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**O God, as I offer up my praise, accept my sacrifice
of a humble and repentant heart.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 2 – 4** Yei in South Sudan; Luweero in Uganda; On the Lake in Nigeria; Grafton in Australia; Armagh in All Ireland and South Kerala in India
- 5 – 7** Bujumbura in Burundi; Maseno South in Kenya; Ihiala in Nigeria; Cameroon; Calgary in Canada and Ysabel in Solomon Islands
- 8 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 9 – 11** Awerial in South Sudan; Mityana in Uganda; Uyo & Ajayi Crowther in Nigeria; Rupert's Land in Canada and Patna in India
- 12 – 14** Port Elizabeth in South Africa; West Ankole in Uganda; Nomadic Mission & Ekiti-Kwara in Nigeria; Worcester in England and the Episcopal Church of the Philippines
- 15 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 16 – 18** Kajo-Keji in South Sudan; Tarime in Tanzania; Dutse & Akoko-Edo in Nigeria and Canterbury in England
- 19 – 21** Antisiranana in Madagascar; Busoga in Uganda; Yola & Oke-Ogun in Nigeria; Algoma in Canada and Jabalpur in India
- 22 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 23 – 25** Rokon in South Sudan; Kampala in Uganda; Kaduna in Nigeria; Koforidua in Ghana; Brisbane in Australia and Peru
- 26 – 28** Central Zambia in Zambia; Southern Highlands in Tanzania; Ogbaru & Badagry in Nigeria; Bermuda and Chandigarh in India
- 29 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 30 – 31** Toamasina in Madagascar; Mukono in Uganda; Ikwerre & Ife East in Nigeria; Down & Dromore in All Ireland and Delhi in India

Final Blessing

**As we come to God with humble and repentant hearts
may we be transformed in heart and soul.**

To God be glory both now and for ever!

Amen

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!
April
Praise and thanksgiving

Monday: Praise and thanksgiving

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.

1 Peter 1:3-4

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
We come before you with thanksgiving!

God of Promise and God of Hope,
who through your great mercy
have granted us new birth
through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ,
we praise your wonderful name!

God of Glory and God of Might
who through your great power
have granted us new strength
to endure all things through faith in Christ our risen King,
we praise your wonderful name!

Amen

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Tuesday: Grace and peace

Grace, mercy, and peace, which come from God the Father
and from Jesus Christ—the Son of the Father—will continue
to be with us who live in truth and love.

2 John 1:3 (NLT)

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
We come before you with thanksgiving!**

Grace to you and peace
from him who is
and who was
and who is to come,
and from Jesus Christ,
the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead,
and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

**To him who loves us
and freed us from our sins by his blood,
made us to be a kingdom,
priests serving his God and Father,
to him be glory and dominion
forever and ever.**

Amen

David Beswick

Wednesday: Praise and thanksgiving

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in the heavenly realms
with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

Ephesians 1:3

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
We come before you with thanksgiving!**

Through Jesus Christ,
you have lavished on us every spiritual blessing
we could possibly imagine!

Before the world was created,
you already knew us and loved us.
You adopted us as your own children,
and redeemed us through the blood of Christ.

Even more, you have made us your heirs,
and given us your own Spirit as a sign and guarantee.
How we praise you!

**May our worship bring you honour and glory,
for you alone are worthy of our praise.**

Amen

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Thursday: Grace and peace

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age,
according to the will of our God and Father,

Galatians 1:3-4

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
We come before you with thanksgiving!**

For peace beyond understanding –

Shalom –

your desire for all
that is good and fruitful,
all that makes us whole,
we thank you.

For grace

we do not deserve,

freedom,

forgiveness for all

that is wrong in our lives

that keeps us from you,

we thank you.

For life

poured out on a cross –

salvation –

That divine mystery

of love by which all

might know you as Abba,

Father,

we thank you.

Amen

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Friday: Praise and thanksgiving

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.

2 Corinthians 1:3

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
We come before you with thanksgiving!**

Dear Heavenly Father,
thank you for the joy, peace, help and blessings
that you give to us each day.

Thank you for this wondrous world
filled with all the wonderful gifts
you have given to us.

Thank you for our families, friends
and the fellowship of your Church.

And we thank you for the most wondrous gift of all –
the forgiveness of our sins, bought for us by the love
of your most blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

Kilskeery & Trillick Mothers' Union, Province of All-Ireland

Saturday: Lives of thankfulness

Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Colossians 2:6-7

**Risen Lord,
You love us,
You call us,
You change us.**

Let us recognise your coming
however gently or dramatically you approach us.
Let us recognise your coming
whoever you use to make your coming known to us.
Let us recognise your coming
whatever time or situation you use to approach us.
Let us recognise your compassionate emergence
into the dark places of our lives,

Your generous summons which you constantly utter,
your transforming touch upon the bleak places of our world.

**Lord of Life, of hope, of resurrection,
we make our prayer in your name, Jesus.**

Amen

Brentwood Diocesan Commission for Justice and Peace

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1** Toamasina in Madagascar; Mukono in Uganda; Ikwerre & Ife East in Nigeria; Down & Dromore in All Ireland and Delhi in India
- 2 – 4** Umzimvubu in South Africa; Lweru in Tanzania; On the Niger in Nigeria; Cape Coast in Ghana; Ontario in Canada and Limerick & Killaloe in All Ireland
- 5** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 6 – 8** Cueibet in South Sudan; Gahini in Rwanda; Wusasa & Ibadan in Nigeria and Christchurch in New Zealand
- 9 – 11** Nord Kivu in DR Congo; Kigali in Rwanda; Kiteto & Kubwa in Nigeria; Perth in Australia and Kuranagala in Sri Lanka
- 12** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 13 – 15** Yirol in South Sudan; Ruvuma in Tanzania; Nike & Benin in Nigeria; Canberra & Goulburn in Australia and Dogura in Papua New Guinea
- 16 – 18** Kindu in DR Congo; Mount Kenya West in Kenya; Egbu in Nigeria; Te Pihopatanga O Aotearoa in New Zealand; Cork, Cloyne & Ross in All Ireland and Eastern Himalayas in India
- 19** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 20 – 22** Kinshasa in DR Congo; Victoria Nyanza in Tanzania; Ahoada & Warri in Nigeria; Oxford in England and Port Moresby in Papua New Guinea
- 23 – 25** Kisangani in DR Congo; Kagera in Tanzania; Awka in Nigeria; Sunyani in Ghana; Manchester in England and Popondota in Papua New Guinea
- 26** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 27– 29** Port Sudan in Sudan; Muhabura in Uganda; Niger Delta West & Yewa in Nigeria; The Northern Territory in Australia and Chennai in India
- 30** Aru in DR Congo; Kigezi in Uganda; Ikeduru in Nigeria; Ho in Ghana; York in England and Guyana & Suriname in Guyana

Final Blessing

**As we are called and loved by God the Father
and kept safe by Jesus Christ,
may grace, mercy and peace be ours in abundance,
from God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

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May
Spirit of transformation

Monday: Spirit of transformation

In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days.
Acts 2:17, 18

Mighty God,
you came through your Spirit
and life was never the same again.

**Come to us now,
breathing new fire into our hearts,
new energy into our lives,
new life into our souls.
Transform our fear, anxiety and doubt,
filling us with confidence and faith.
Move in us, we pray.**

Open our minds to new horizons, new experiences
and a new way of looking at life.
And so may we live by the Spirit,
bearing rich fruit to your glory.

**Move in us, we pray,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

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Tuesday: Death to life

Now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.
And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit
has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.

Romans 8:1-2 (NLT)

**Holy Spirit,
we praise you for your transforming power
which sets us free from sin and death
and gives new life in Christ.**

Risen Lord,
fill us with new life
through the power of your Spirit
that we may share your love
with those who live in darkness;
that we may share your peace
with those who live in fear;
that we may share your joy
With those who live in sorrow.

**Holy Spirit, transform our lives
that we may shine
with the light of Christ.
Amen**

Wednesday: Poverty to wealth

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor,
so that you through his poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

**Lord Jesus Christ,
you have transformed us completely
by the riches of your grace;
from the bleakness of sin to fullness of life.**

We praise you for the riches of our salvation.
We, in spiritual poverty, had no means
to pay such a costly debt.

Forgive us when we strive to earn
the blessings you freely give us;
for which the price has been paid.

May we be so filled with your grace
that we share the riches of Christ
as a blessing to all we meet.

**Lord Jesus Christ,
we give you our thanks and praise.
Amen**

Thursday: Weakness to power

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8

**Come Holy Spirit.
Fill us with your power,
transform us in your love,
inspire us with your truth.**

Come Holy Spirit.
Fill our weak and empty lives
with your transforming power.

Come Holy Spirit.
Flood our parched lives
with streams of living water.

Come Holy Spirit.
Ignite our cold lives
with the intensity of holy fire.

Come Holy Spirit.
Clothe us with your power
to witness to the love of Christ.

**Gracious God, we praise you
for the transformation of your Spirit;
power in abundance
to equip us for divine works.
Amen**

Friday: Loneliness to community

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.
All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of
their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had.

Acts 4:31-32

**Spirit of transformation,
unite us as the family of God,
to reflect the Father's heart
and glorify his holy name.**

Heavenly Father,
we rejoice to be your family,
united in sharing life together.
Transformed by your Spirit
we praise your holy name.

As we share your goodness together,
turn our gaze to those around us.
Transformed by your Spirit
may we draw them into your love.

**Unite us as the family of God
that, transformed by your Spirit,
we may glorify your holy name.
Amen**

Saturday: Spirit of transformation

You will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
The promise is for you and your children
and for all who are far off—
for all whom the Lord our God will call.
Acts 2:38-39

**Ever living and ever loving God,
We praise you for your loving presence with us.**

**Come, Holy Spirit,
take and transform our societies—**
that broken people find healing;
that lonely people find love;
that bitter people find peace;
that fearful people find hope.

**Come, Holy Spirit,
fill our lives with your presence—**
so that more and more every day,
all that we do and say and hope
will be an act of worship to you
and an expression of love to others,
to the glory of your name.

Amen

Baptist Union of Great Britain

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1 - 2** Aru in DR Congo; Kigezi in Uganda; Ikeduru in Nigeria; Ho in Ghana; York in England and Guyana & Suriname in Guyana
- 3** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 4 - 6** Uppershire in Malawi; Maralal Missionary Area in Kenya; Makurdi & Ifo in Nigeria; Tuam, Killala & Achonry in All Ireland and Mumbai in India
- 7 - 9** Torit in South Sudan; Meru in Kenya; Ikwuano in Nigeria; Sekondi in Ghana and The Arctic in Canada
- 10** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 11 - 13** Twic East in South Sudan; Rorya in Tanzania; Owerri & Ughelli in Nigeria; Gippsland in Australia and Cashel & Ossory in All Ireland
- 14 - 16** Maridi in South Sudan; Kirinyaga in Kenya; Zaki-Biam & Ijesa North-East in Nigeria and Waikato & Taranaki in New Zealand
- 17** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 18 - 20** Grahamstown in South Africa; Masasi in Tanzania; Afikpo in Nigeria; Wiawso in Ghana; Chester in England and Northern Argentina in Argentina
- 21 - 23** Christ the King in South Africa; East Rwenzori in Uganda; Gombe & New Busa in Nigeria and Bunbury in Australia
- 24** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 25 - 27** Bor in South Sudan; Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania; Oru & Oleh in Nigeria; Rockhampton in Australia and Agra in India
- 28 - 30** Angola; North Ankole in Uganda; Okene & Ibadan-South in Nigeria; Aberdeen & Orkney in Scotland and Karnataka South in India
- 31** **Mothers' Union worldwide**

Final Blessing

**God of power,
may your Spirit transform us, lead us, and equip us
to serve and worship you now and always.
Amen**



Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation-Now! **26th May-5th June** **Thy Kingdom Come**

The urgency, vitality and necessity of Christians across the world joining together praying, 'Come, Holy Spirit' is essential. This is not primarily for our own renewal – but that we may live the calling of Christ to be His witnesses. *Archbishop Justin Welby*

As part of Mothers' Union's engagement with the global prayer movement *Thy Kingdom Come* we have produced special Midday Prayers for its duration using material from the *Thy Kingdom Come* resources.

Thursday 26th May

Almighty God,
your ascended Son has sent us into the world
to preach the good news of your kingdom:
inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts
with the fire of your love,
that all who hear your word may be drawn to you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Glory to God,
whose power, at work among us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or conceive;
to him be glory in the Church
and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever.
Alleluia. Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Bor in South Sudan; Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania; Oru & Oleh in
Nigeria; Rockhampton in Australia and Agra in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Friday 27th May

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Thomas said to him: Lord, we don't know where you are going,
so how can we know the way?

Jesus answered: I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

John 14: 5-6

Loving God,
when I'm feeling lost or lonely
or afraid or uncertain of the way ahead,
be my guide, a lamp to my feet
and a light for my path.
And today help me to be
a good companion to those I meet.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.

Today we pray for our members in:

Bor in South Sudan; Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania; Oru & Oleh in
Nigeria; Rockhampton in Australia and Agra in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Saturday 28th May

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Why, my soul, are you downcast?
Why so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God,
for I will yet praise him,
my Saviour and my God.
Psalm 42:11

Faithful God, help me to understand myself,
so that even in the most difficult times
I may know your presence with me
and may sing your praises, defiantly praising your goodness
even when there is so much that is wrong.
And today, help me show others the good things
I receive in Christ and show the world His way.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Angola; North Ankole in Uganda; Okene & Ibadan-South in Nigeria;
Aberdeen & Orkney in Scotland and Karnataka South in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Sunday 29th May

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Jesus said: The Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things
and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

John 14:25-26

Overcoming God,
make me new in the Spirit of Jesus
so that I can truly become the person I am meant to be.
And today may your Spirit help me help others,
especially those who have drifted from your way,
or who find it impossible to believe,
or who are trapped by fear and guilt.
Set me free, God. Set me free to be myself.
Free to help others.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Angola; North Ankole in Uganda; Okene & Ibadan-South in Nigeria;
Aberdeen & Orkney in Scotland and Karnataka South in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Monday 30th May

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
since as members of one body you were called to peace.

And be thankful.

Colossians 3:15

Generous God,
fill my heart with thanksgiving
for all the blessing I receive in life.
Expand my heart, and help me love,
support and cherish those who serve me.
And today help me to live as sister or brother
to all whom I meet.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.

Today we pray for our members in:

Angola; North Ankole in Uganda; Okene & Ibadan-South in Nigeria;
Aberdeen & Orkney in Scotland and Karnataka South in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Tuesday 31st May

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

I urge, then, first of all,
that petitions, prayers, intercession
and thanksgiving be made for all people.
1 Timothy 2:1

Transforming God,
make me more like Jesus.
And because I know my life is not like that,
show me Jesus today.
Change my prayer from asking things for myself
to asking you what you would like for me,
so that my life can be part of your story.
And help me to pray for others,
that they may know Christ for themselves.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for all of our members throughout the world
and for the work that they do in the name of Christ.

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Wednesday 1st June

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Jesus said: love each other as I have loved you.
Greater love has no one than this:
to lay down one's life for one's friends.
You are my friends if you do what I command.
John 15:12-14

Quickening God, fan the embers of my little faith.
Help me see that the love I feel for those I love is from you.
It shows me that you are real, that you are love itself.
Be my friend.
And today, draw me back into the fellowship of your church
and help others, who also long for love and acceptance,
to find it in Jesus, the one who lays down his life for his friends.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Johannesburg in South Africa; Kumi in Uganda; Nsukka & Idoani
in Nigeria; Derby in England and Madhya Kerala in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Thursday 2nd June

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks
a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread
that we break a participation in the body of Christ?
Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body,
for we all share the one loaf.

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Bountiful God,
feed me with the bread of heaven,
give me today the things I need for today
and save me from wanting more than my share.
There are so many people who are hungry for love
and thirsting for peace.
Help me to help others find their place at your table.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Johannesburg in South Africa; Kumi in Uganda; Nsukka & Idoani
in Nigeria; Derby in England and Madhya Kerala in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Friday 3rd June

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people and kindle in us the fire of your love

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us
and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Dear friends, since God so loved us,
we also ought to love one another.

1 John 4:10-11

Loving God,
our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you.
Be my rest and my security, for the storms are raging
and the waves crash over.
Help me to know today that all that is good comes from you
and will return to you in the silence
of your eternal and never changing love.
Be with me as I hold myself and hold others
in your loving embrace.

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Johannesburg in South Africa; Kumi in Uganda; Nsukka & Idoani
in Nigeria; Derby in England and Madhya Kerala in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Saturday 4th June

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people and kindle in us the fire of your love

Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. We boast in the hope of the glory of God. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Romans 5:1-2, 5

Overflowing God,
breathe the spirit of Jesus into me
and into all those who long for peace,
especially those who have drifted from your way,
got stuck in their faith, or who have not yet found a way to believe.
You believe in them. Renew them by your Spirit.
And today may your Church be filled with joy

**God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray: Thy kingdom come.
Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Ibba in South Sudan; Maseno North in Kenya; Isiala-Ngwa & Ondo
in Nigeria; Fredericton in Canada and Amritsar in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**



Sunday 5th June

Almighty God,
your ascended Son has sent us into the world
to preach the good news of your kingdom:
inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts
with the fire of your love,
that all who hear your word may be drawn to you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Glory to God,
whose power, at work among us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or conceive;
to him be glory in the Church
and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever.
Alleluia. Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for the witness and work of Mothers' Union worldwide.
Today we pray for our members in:
Ibba in South Sudan; Maseno North in Kenya; Isiala-Ngwa & Ondo
in Nigeria; Fredericton in Canada and Amritsar in India

Final blessing

**We go with faith in Christ
who taught us to pray *thy Kingdom come*;
to witness of his love throughout the world. Amen**

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now! June: Steps to transformation

Monday: Listening to God

The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, 'Samuel! Samuel!'
Then Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' *1 Samuel 3:10*

**Loving Lord, we thank you that you speak to us
as we rest in your presence.**

Speak to us, Lord, as we draw near to you.
Still our restless thoughts and calm our active minds.

Quieten our spirits to hear your gentle voice.
Open our ears to listen well;
open our hearts to sense your will.

Give us your grace to heed your words
and follow where you lead.
Speak to us, Lord, for your servants are listening.

**Loving Lord, we thank you that you speak to us
as we rest in your presence.
May we continue to hear your voice
throughout this day. Amen**

Tuesday: Listening to others

Let everyone be quick to hear (be a careful, thoughtful listener), slow to speak (a
speaker of carefully chosen words), and slow to anger (patient, reflective, forgiving).
James 1:19 (AMP)

Word of God open the mouths of those
who are silent and afraid.
Give speech to those who have no voice.

Teach us to hear the words beneath the silence.
Bear witness to the cries that are the beginning of speech.

Open our ears to each other so that when we listen and speak
we may recognise in our words your Word and make it flesh.
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**Make us slow to speak and quick to listen;
patient and forbearing with each other;
that we may reflect the example of Christ. Amen**

Wednesday: Discovering vision

I gain understanding from your precepts... Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path. *Psalms 119:104-105*

**God of glory, open our eyes to discern your vision.
May vision inspire us to worship and spur us to action.**

Thank you, Lord, for those who encourage us
and share in making vision reality.
For those who spur us on to acts of love and good works.

Lord of all, unite us in our shared vision
of a world which is transformed
by the all-encompassing love of God,
revealed through our words and deeds.

**God of glory, lead us forward as people of vision;
may vision inspire us to worship and spur us to action. Amen**

Thursday: Building relationships

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed those who were ill. The disciples said, Send the crowds away, so that they can go and buy themselves some food. Jesus replied, They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat. *Matthew 14:14-16*

God of relationship
we look to your example
to show us how to value the people
you bring into our lives.

**May we be slow to judge
and quick to reach out;
ready to treat others
as we wish for ourselves.**

Give us insight to build up confidence and energy;
discernment to listen to what lies behind
both words and silence;
grace to model your love and compassion
as we build positive relationships.

Amen

Friday: Celebrating our resources

To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given,
and they will have an abundance. *Matthew 25:29*

Loving Lord, we thank you for your blessings,
given to us in buds of gifting,
ready to blossom and bear fruit
as we set our hearts to using them well.

Open our eyes to your abundant provision;
the resources already at hand
to transform our communities
and bring fullness of life.

Work deeply within us to develop our abilities,
our creativity and personal qualities;
that we may reach the full potential
of all you have bestowed upon us.

**Loving Lord, nurture our desire to use your gifts well;
for the blessing of many,
and the transformational growth
of your Kingdom on earth. Amen**

Saturday: Stepping out in faith

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.
Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take. *Proverbs 3:5-6*

**Lord, as we put our trust in you,
bless our tiny steps of faith
that we may be transformed.**

Almighty and loving God,
take our faith, weak though it is.
Kindle the sparks of life within us
and fan a new flame within our hearts.

And so may we set out with renewed purpose,
resolved to live and work for you,
in the assurance that you are with us,
now and always.

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**Lord, as we follow your path,
take our tiny steps of faith
and use them to transform your world. Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1 - 3** Johannesburg in South Africa; Kumi in Uganda; Nsukka & Idoani in Nigeria; Derby in England and Madhya Kerala in India
- 4 - 6** Ibba in South Sudan; Maseno North in Kenya; Isiala-Ngwa & Ondo in Nigeria; Fredericton in Canada and Amritsar in India
- 7** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 8 - 10** Yambio in South Sudan; Garissa in Kenya; Mbamili in Nigeria; Hereford in England; Willochra in Australia and Thailand
- 11 - 13** Mahajanga in Madagascar; Mara in Tanzania; West Buganda in Uganda; Kwoi in Nigeria; Newcastle in Australia and East Kerala in India
- 14** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 15 - 17** Bukavu in DR Congo; Nyahururu in Kenya; Gboko in Nigeria; Portsmouth in England and New Guinea Islands in Papua New Guinea
- 18 - 20** Rejaf in South Sudan; Military Episcopate in Kenya; Doko & Owo in Nigeria; Chelmsford in England and Jamaica & Cayman Islands
- 21** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 22 - 24** Rumonge in Burundi; Tabora in Tanzania; Kabba & Bukuru in Nigeria; St Albans in England and Nagpur in India
- 25 - 27** Table Bay in South Africa; Rift Valley in Tanzania; Evo & Ijebu in Nigeria; Adelaide in Australia and Taejon in South Korea
- 28** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 29 - 30** Eastern Zambia in Zambia; Mombasa in Kenya; Gwagwalada & Ekiti-West in Nigeria; Leicester in England and Temotu in Solomon Islands

Final Blessing

**As we take each step to transformation,
may the love of God spur us on
that lives may be blessed for eternity.
Amen**

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!
July: God's church for God's world
The Biblical focus for the Lambeth Conference 2022

Monday: Living hope

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. *1 Peter 1:3*

Father God, merciful One we praise you for the living hope you have given to us through your perfect plan of salvation.

Jesus Christ, precious Saviour, we praise you for the living hope of relationship with God through your triumphant resurrection.

Holy Spirit, perfect Counsellor, we praise you for the living hope you nurture within us through your work of transformation

Gracious God, we praise you for your living hope and loving assurance which sustains our lives now and prepares us for eternity. Amen

Tuesday: Loving holiness

Just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy." *1 Peter 1: 15-16*

**As your church for your world,
we cry out to you, our Lord and King:
set us apart to reflect your holiness;
sanctify us to witness of your love.**

To your church in your world,
send the fire of your Holy Spirit
to burn away our selfishness and sin,
and ignite within us the flame of holiness
to shine as a light in the shadows of life.

**As your church for your world,
may our words and our deeds,
may our unity and love,
be expressions of your holiness
and a transforming presence
in the communities we serve. Amen**

Wednesday: Living stones

As you come to him, the living Stone... you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. *1 Peter 2:4, 5*

**Build up the Church, redeeming Lord,
so that all your children may find their place,
unique and special, chosen and essential
to the living edifice of grace.**

Where by your grace
each one might know their value in your economy,
and their significance in your eyes.

Help us all, this day, to be living stones, and not dead weights.
Dreaming dreams, and living gloriously the joy and kindness
of a faith that edifies everything that life should be.

**In the name of our Saviour, our cornerstone, we pray.
Amen**

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Thursday: Living good lives

Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us. *1 Peter 2:12*

**Christ our Lord and Saviour,
may our lives reflect your goodness
to the communities around us,
as we seek to serve them well.**

Help us to live in such a way
that our words and actions may be one,
and our faith seen to be real.

And so may all we say,
all we do,
and all we are,
witness to you and the wonder of your love
shown through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**You are a God of love and mercy,
and we praise you, in his name.**

Amen

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Friday: Loving life

Whoever would love life and see good days... must turn from evil and do good; they must seek peace and pursue it. *1 Peter 3:10, 11*

**Loving Lord,
we turn from our selfish ways
and seek out the way of peace,
that we may embrace abundant life:**

What wonders we find in the gift of life.
Our joy in the beauty of nature;
our delight in loving relationships;
our pleasure in a job well done
or a new skill mastered.

Each facet of life adds richness to our days.
A foretaste of the glory that awaits
when we step into the realm of eternity
and our cup overflows.

**Loving Lord,
we turn from our selfish ways
and celebrate your abundant life
with thankful hearts. Amen**

Saturday: Loving deeply

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. *1 Peter 1:22*

**As God's church for God's world
let us love one another deeply,
and seek each other's good,
that we may be a living example
of the love of Christ for all.**

Jesus offers a new-old commandment, that we should love each other.

With the incredible power
and the unfathomable depth of God's love for us
we can, we must, love one another.

And it is in this our love for one another
that the world will know whom and what we worship.

**Come, children of God,
let us love one another. Amen**

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Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1** Eastern Zambia in Zambia; Mombasa in Kenya; Gwagwalada & Ekiti-West in Nigeria; Leicester in England and Temotu in Solomon Islands
- 2 – 4** Renk in South Sudan; Cyanguu in Rwanda; Arochukwu/Ohafia & Ile-Oluji in Nigeria; St Andrews, Dunkeld & Dunblane in Scotland and Sittwe in Myanmar
- 5** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 6 – 8** Wad Medani in Sudan; Kondoa in Tanzania; Ikwo & Remo in Nigeria; Montreal in Canada and the Windward Islands in St Lucia, Grenada, St Vincent & The Grenadines
- 9 – 11** El Obeid in Sudan; Butere in Kenya; Nnewi in Nigeria; London in England and the Province of the USA
- 12** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 13 – 15** Toliara in Madagascar; Mbale in Uganda; Zaria & Ndokwa in Nigeria, Rochester in England and Chhattisgarh in India
- 16 – 18** Lake Malawi in Malawi; Byumba in Rwanda; Jalingo in Nigeria; St Edmundsbury & Ipswich in England and Lucknow in India
- 19** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 20 – 22** Gitega in Burundi; Murag'a South and Mbeere in Kenya; Enugu North in Nigeria; Polynesia in Tonga and Jaffna in Diocese of Church of South India
- 23– 25** George in South Africa; Bungoma in Kenya; Western Tanganyika in Tanzania; Ideato in Nigeria; Sodor & Man in Isle of Man and Toronto in Canada
- 26** **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 27 - 29** Northern Zambia in Zambia; Mpwapwa in Tanzania; Gusau & Osun in Nigeria; Sydney in Australia and Rayalaseema in India
- 30 – 31** Boga in DR Congo; Manicaland in Zimbabwe; Tanga in Tanzania; Ogoni in Nigeria; Carlisle in England and Melbourne in Australia

Final Blessing

As God's church for God's world,
may we be a living witness of the love of Christ
through the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now! **August: Worldwide transformation**

Monday: Transformation of MU worldwide

“I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” *Jeremiah 29:11*

**Gracious God, we put our trust in you.
Give us open hearts and minds
to discern your perfect direction
for Mothers' Union worldwide:**

Affirm us in your love
that we may be bold to seek your face.

Strengthen us with resolve
to embrace new ways with confidence.

Unite us in heart and mind
that we may move forward with gladness.

Inspire us in our faith
that all things are possible with God.

**Transform us into a people empowered by the Spirit,
overflowing with hope,
to effectively serve our communities
wherever we live in your world. Amen**

Tuesday: Faith for worldwide transformation

If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, “Move from here to there,” and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you. *Matthew 17:20*

**If we had a fraction of the faith in you that you have in us
then this world would be transformed, Lord.**

If we showed a fraction of the love that you show to us
then this world would be transformed, Lord.

**If we showed as much trust in others as you have shown in us
then this world would be transformed, Lord.**

If we claimed just a fraction of the power you promised to your Church
then this world would be transformed, Lord.

**Transform us first, Lord, that we might transform this world
through your love and your power. Amen © John Birch**

Wednesday: Transformation of families worldwide

I fall on my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth receives its true name. *Ephesians 3:14-15*

**Loving Lord, we pray for transformation
in the lives of families worldwide.**

Wherever we are, we live in God's family.
When families are broken by circumstance and pain,
you reach out to hold us in your arms,
piece by piece you make us whole again,
and in your love-filled hands we are transformed.

So Lord, hear our prayers and petitions
to be like you and love like you,
to heal brokenness and restore wholeness
in families worldwide.

**Loving Lord, we pray for families around the world.
Let us be agents of transformation
as we reach out to them with your love. Amen**

Thursday: Campaigning for worldwide transformation

The Lord loves what is righteous and just; his constant love fills the earth.
Worship the Lord, all the earth! Honour him, all peoples of the world! *Psalms 33:5,8*

**Compassionate God,
we pray that through our campaigning
the world will be transformed
to reflect your Kingdom values
of justice and righteousness.**

Let us not turn from the world,
but be engaged within it.
Where there is injustice
may we find ways to eradicate it;
where peoples' human rights are so exploited
that they have no life to call their own –
let us fight for equality and dignity.

**May our politics be based upon Gospel values,
our motives be to serve our God alone,
and through our God, to transform this world. Amen**

Friday: Vision for worldwide transformation

“What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived” – the things God has prepared for those who love him – these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. *1 Corinthians 2:9-10*

**Merciful God,
transform us by the power of your Spirit.
Flood the eyes of our hearts with light
that we may see your vision
for transformation throughout your world.**

God of mercy and compassion,
weave your dream for the world
into the fabric of our lives.
Remove the scales from our eyes
and lift the indifference from our hearts,
so that we may see your vision –
a new reign of justice and compassion
that will transform the earth.

**Transform our lives, so that we may accomplish your purpose.
Amen www.followingjesus.org**

Saturday: Transformational blessing for MU worldwide

God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times,
having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. *2 Corinthians 9:8*

**Loving Lord, we pray for your transformational blessing
on Mothers' Union worldwide.**

We pray for our members throughout the world
as they build hope and resilience 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.

**Transform us in love and service
that we may continue to reach out
as your hands across the world. Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1 Boga in DR Congo; Manicaland in Zimbabwe; Tanga in Tanzania; Ogoni in Nigeria; Carlisle in England and Melbourne in Australia
- 2 **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 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
- 9 **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 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 Toungoo in Myanmar
- 16 **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 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
- 23 **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 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
- 30 **Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 31 Harare in Zimbabwe; Machakos in Kenya; Ogori-Magongo & Ekiti in Nigeria; Southwark in England and Phulbani in India

Final Blessing

**May God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit ,
bring transformation to our lives,
then use us to bring transformation in his world. Amen**

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now! **September: Fruit of transformation**

Monday: Fruit of transformation

Live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might. *Colossians 1:10-11*

Lord, we would grow with you

New shoots reaching out hands stretched upward
like leaves newly formed soaking up your light and warmth

Lord, we would grow with you

Lord, we would grow with you

In sunshine and rain in darkness and light
in cold days and summer days from Springtime to Winter

Lord, we would grow with you

Lord, we would grow with you

And bring forth fruit that is pleasing to you
fed by your living water giving sustenance to others

Lord, we would grow with you. Amen ©John Birch

Tuesday: Sowing and reaping

Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. *Psalms 126:5*

Lord of fruitful transformation we celebrate your goodness with songs of joy.

Lord, fill us with the compassion of Christ,
who wept over the plight of Jerusalem:

Transform our tears of concern into action
that will enable communities to thrive.

Transform our tears of concern into prayer
that our action may be Spirit-led.

We pray for a harvest of joy
over families who are living well.

We pray for a harvest of joy
over lives which are being made whole.

We pray for a harvest of joy
over hearts who respond to God's love.

Lord of fruitful transformation we celebrate your goodness with songs of joy. Amen

Wednesday: God's plans for fruitfulness

The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom. They will see the glory of the Lord, the splendour of our God. *Isaiah 35:1, 2*

**God of rebuilt people and rebuilt places
you have plans for deserts and wilderness:**

“Water will gush forth in the wilderness
and streams in the desert.
The burning sand will become a pool,
The thirsty ground bubbling springs.
In the haunts where jackals once lay,
Grass and reeds and papyrus will grow.

And a highway will be there;
it will be called the Way of Holiness.”

**God of transformation
we look forward to what you will do
with our lives and with grace
on the journey of faith.
Far we have come, far we must go. Amen**
From the Grace website archive

Thursday: Transformation of creation

Then the One sitting on the throne said, “See! I am making all things new. Write, for these words are true and faithful.” *Revelation 21:5 (NLV)*

**We pray for our beloved planet,
scarred by conflict and natural disaster:
bring healing to its lands and cleansing to its waters;
bring justice to its peoples and peace to its nations;
bring life for today and hope for the future.**

God of all eternity, ignite in us, your people,
the faith to believe that you will
one day heal our broken world,
and grow in us the perseverance
to keep praying and working
towards that day when your creation
will once again be whole and free.

**We ask all these things in the name
of your matchless Son, Jesus Christ. Amen**
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Friday: Harvest of transformation

May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
God, our God, blesses us. *Psalm 67:5, 6*

**Lord of the harvest we celebrate your goodness
with shouts of praise.**

All praise to the Lord of the harvest.
To the one who gives seeds of transformation
to sow throughout the world;
who nurtures growth with his bountiful love
and the living water of the Spirit.

**May our praises fill the earth
as we unite together
to reap an eternal harvest.**

All praise to the Lord of the harvest.
To the one who sends us out
to sow the seeds of transformation;
for vision to grow into reality
and Kingdom values thrive.

**Lord of the harvest we celebrate your goodness
with shouts of praise. Amen**

Saturday: Fruit of transformation

Let us not get tired of doing what is right, for after a while we will reap
a harvest of blessing if we don't get discouraged and give up. *Galatians 6:9*

**Loving Lord, nurture us with your goodness
and fill us with joy that our lives may produce
the fruit of transformation.**

What a privilege to serve,
to share your love through word and action.
What a joy to know that what we say
can bring change in others.
What a blessing to see,
hearts touched by the riches of your grace.
What a harvest to be,
when seeds we sow produce fruitfulness.
John Birch

**Loving Lord, transform us by your Spirit
that our lives may yield a fruitful harvest of blessing. Amen**

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1-2** Harare in Zimbabwe; Machakos in Kenya; Ogori-Magongo & Ekiti in Nigeria; Southwark in England and Phulbani in India
- 3 – 5** Khartoum in Sudan; Dar es Salaam in Tanzania; Bari & Ilesa in Nigeria; Gloucester in England and Dugapur in India
- 6 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 7 – 9** Pacong in South Sudan; Southern Nyanza in Kenya; Kutigi & Ijesha North in Nigeria; Bristol in England and Karnataka Central in India
- 10 – 12** Pretoria in South Africa; North Mbale in Uganda; Oke-Osun in Nigeria; Exeter in England and Barbados
- 13 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 14 – 16** Mthatha in South Africa; Namirembe in Uganda; Pankshin & Sabongidda-Ora in Nigeria; Dublin & Glendalough in All Ireland and Central Solomons in Solomon Islands
- 17– 19** Buye in Burundi; Sebei in Uganda; Abakaliki & Ekiti-Oke in Nigeria; Southwell & Nottingham in England and Belize
- 20 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 21 – 23** Rumbek in South Sudan; Soroti in Uganda; Aba Ngwa North & Oyo in Nigeria; Peterborough in England and North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba
- 24 – 26** Makamba in Burundi; North Karamoja in Uganda; Lokoja & Sapele in Nigeria; Truro in England and Tirunelveli in India
- 27 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 28 – 30** Katanga in DR Congo; Rwenzori in Uganda; Mbaise & Egba in Nigeria; Meath & Kildare in All Ireland and Tiruchirappalli Thanjavur in India

Final Blessing

**May the fruit of transformation be seen in our lives
as we go in faith to serve the world.**

Amen

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now! **October: Transformed lives**

Monday: Zaccheus

Zacchaeus said to the Lord, “Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.” *Luke 19: 8*

**Lord, transform our hearts, transform our lives.
Work deeply within to bring newness and change
that we may be channels of your love and blessing for the world.**

Like Zacchaeus, help us, O God, to lose our fear of stepping outside our place,
of doing things differently, of seeking Christ in our lives.
Christ’s invitation awaits us to start anew, to make amends, to live in Christ’s way.

**God of change and renewal, we give thanks for your love that makes this
possible for each one of us. Amen** *From United Church of Canada*

Tuesday: Mary of Nazareth

The angel said: “Nothing will be impossible with God.” Mary said, “Here am I, the servant
of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” *Luke 1:37-38 (NRSV)*

**Lord, transform our hearts, transform our lives.
Work deeply within to bring newness and change
that we may be channels of your love and blessing for the world.**

Lord, like Mary, you call us to lives of obedience and faith.
Forgive us when we ignore your voice and surrender to doubt and fear.
Lord, like Mary, you call us to lives of acceptance and praise.
Forgive us when we reject your ways and surrender to selfishness.

God of mercy and grace forgive our faults and weaknesses.

**Transform us into people of obedience and faith
that all things are possible with God. Amen**

Wednesday: Bartimaeus

Bartimaeus said, “Rabbi, I want to see.” Jesus said, “Go, your faith has healed you.”
Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road. *Mark 10:51-52*

**Lord, transform our hearts, transform our lives.
Work deeply within to bring newness and change
that we may be channels of your love and blessing for the world.**

God, who gives sight to the blind,
flood the eyes of our hearts with light and transform our clouded vision.

We pray for those whose vision is clouded by the storms of life;
where knowledge is partial and understanding blurred.

**Help us to shine with your light through mists of confusion and hurts.
Help us to share the power of your love to bring clearer insight and healing.
Amen**

Thursday: Woman at the well

Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.' *John 4:13-14*

**Lord, transform our hearts, transform our lives.
Work deeply within to bring newness and change
that we may be channels of your love and blessing for the world.**

Still us, God, so we might listen to you speaking to us,
knowing us, seeing us, loving us.

Fill us with your Living Water that will transform our spirits and souls
into springs that burst forth with life and love for your people,
for ourselves, and for our world. **Amen** ©Rev. Karla

Friday: Lazarus

Jesus called in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out,
his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth round his face.
Jesus said to them, 'Take off the grave clothes and let him go.' *John 11:43-44*

**Lord, transform our hearts, transform our lives.
Work deeply within to bring newness and change
that we may be channels of your love and blessing for the world.**

Holy God, Creator of Life, you call us out of our dark places,
offering us the grace of new life.
When we see nothing but hopelessness,
you surprise us with the breath of your Spirit.

**Call us out of our complacency and routines,
set us free from our self-imposed bonds,
and fill us with your Spirit of life, compassion, and peace.**
Amen ©Nancy Johnson

Saturday: Mary Magdalene

Jesus said to her, "Mary." Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her. *John 20: 16, 18*

**Lord, transform our hearts, transform our lives.
Work deeply within to bring newness and change
that we may be channels of your love and blessing for the world.**

May the risen Christ who called Mary by her name
come to us to reassure us that he knows us and loves us
as if there was no one else.

**May he fill us with his life and his love,
for our own sake, in the service of others,
and above all to his everlasting glory. Amen** ©David Flynn

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

1-3 Nzara in South Sudan; North Kigezi in Uganda; Kivu in Rwanda;
Damataru in Nigeria; Auckland in New Zealand and Vanuatu and New
Caledonia in Vanuatu

4 Mothers' Union worldwide

5 – 7 Mbhashe in South Africa; Kitgum in Uganda; Ukwa & Ilesa South-West in
Nigeria; Tasmania in Australia and Central Melanesia in Solomon Islands

8 – 10 Ethiopia; Zanzibar in Tanzania; Awgu/Aninri in Nigeria; Freetown in
Sierra Leone; Monmouth in Wales and Malaita in Solomon Islands

11 Mothers' Union worldwide

12 – 14 Ezo in South Sudan; Thika in Kenya; Jos & Akoko in Nigeria; in Europe
and União de Mulheres Episcopais Anglicanas do Brasil (UMEAB) in Brazil

15 – 17 Terekeka in South Sudan; Nairobi in Kenya; Maiduguri & Osun North in
Nigeria; Edinburgh in Scotland and Calcutta in India

18 Mothers' Union worldwide

19– 21 High Veld in South Africa; Nambale in Kenya; Niger-Delta in Nigeria;
in Guinea; Blackburn in England and Bhopal in India

22 – 24 Kimberley and Kuruman in South Africa; Kitui in Kenya; Kano & Kwara in
Nigeria; Armidale in Australia and Myitkyina in Myanmar

25 Mothers' Union worldwide

26 – 28 Malakal in South Sudan; All Saints Cathedral in Kenya; Kontagora & Osun
North East in Nigeria; Glasgow & Galloway in Scotland and Pune in India

29 – 31 Luapula in Zambia; Nakuru in Kenya; South Rwenzori in Uganda; Ibadan-
North in Nigeria; Connor in All Ireland and Pusan in South Korea

Final Blessing

**May the amazing grace of Jesus Christ,
the extravagant love of God, the intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit
transform our lives to be a blessing to the world.**

Amen

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now! **November: Transformation of relationships**

Monday: Transformation of relationships

Each of you should look not only to your own interests but also to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus. *Philippians 2:4-5*

Almighty God of all creation, we join our voices to praise you today, singing of your wonders, giving thanks for your grace and care.

We celebrate the joys of life you have blessed us with:
family and friends; new relationships and deeper relationships;
new life and transformed lives; reconciliation and restoration. © *John W. Vest*

As we share our lives together help us reflect
the perfect relationship between Father, Son and Spirit;
perfectly loving, perfectly equal, united in total harmony.

**For then we will see true transformation
as we value each other above ourselves. Amen**

Tuesday: Gender justice

God created both male and female and blessed them, the whole human race. *Genesis 5:2 (Message)*

Lord, we pray for transformation of our societies which often find it easier to judge the victims of violence than to solve the problems of injustice.

**We pray for a transformation in the violent way
many men act towards and think about women.**

We pray for right and just relations between women and men
that together we may transform and overcome violence in all its forms
and learn to celebrate our diversity and interdependence.

**We look forward to the age of peace, when violence is banished,
both women and men are able to love and to be loved,
and the work and wealth of our world is justly shared. Amen** *From www.gfsworld.org*

Wednesday: Love your neighbour

Encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. *1 Thess 5:11*

**God of transformation who has created us in your image,
show us how to value the people who are part of our lives.**

Help us to appreciate each other's unique qualities.
Help us to treasure each other's special gifts.

May we be slow to judge and quick to forgive;
ready to treat others as we wish for ourselves.

May relationships be transformed as we seek each other's good
by encouragement and support; sharing together the love of Christ.

**God of transformation, who has created us in your image,
help us to accept each other unconditionally,
as we live out your call to love our neighbour as ourselves. Amen**

Thursday: Fractured relationships

Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. *Ephesians 4:2 (NLT)*

God of transformation, we pray for those whose relationships are fractured; where hurt has overcome love and hope for the future is scarce.

Healing God bring your wholeness into relationships that are hurting. Not a dressing that will peel away or a restoration of what once was, but a process of transformation where over time wounds can heal, pain decrease, and lives once more embrace within your love and grace. © *John Birch*

God of transformation, who heals the broken hearted and binds up their wounds, bring your wholeness to fractured relationships and restore love and hope, we pray. Amen

Friday: Abusive relationships

My people will live in peaceful places and in safe homes and in calm places of rest. *Isaiah 32:18 (NCV)*

Loving Lord, your care and love are ever present in our lives. We pray for our brothers and sisters throughout the world who live in situations of abuse and violence.

Give them hope in their hopelessness; help them find strength in their weakness; grant them freedom from their oppression; transform their brokenness into wholeness; and heal their wounds, visible and invisible.

Grant us all the courage and wisdom, grace and humility, to act at all times with compassion and care.

And grant all who are harmed by abuse or coercion, peace through justice.

This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen *Lesley Bayley, Mothers' Union, All Ireland*

Saturday: Family relationships

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:6-7*

We pray for healing and peace for the stresses and strains within family relationships.

For couples who have lost the love that they once had, and their lives are drifting apart. For parents who no longer can control their children, and are beginning to despair.

For families who struggle to live within their means and not slip deeper into debt. For children who walk into a more uncertain future with difficult choices to make.

For the stresses and strains within family relationships we pray for healing and peace. Amen © *John Birch*

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

1 Mothers' Union worldwide

2 – 4 Lebombo in Mozambique; Makueni in Kenya; Newala in Tanzania; Niger-Delta North in Nigeria; Riverina in Australia and North East India in India

5 – 7 Antananarivo in Madagascar; Taita Taveta in Kenya; Ikara & Ife in Nigeria and Argyll & The Isles in Scotland

8 Mothers' Union worldwide

9 – 11 Kadugli & Nuba Mountains in Sudan; Kinkiizi in Uganda; Amichi & Igbomina West in Nigeria and Ottawa in Canada

12 – 14 Ukhahlamba in South Africa; Maseno West in Kenya; Oji River in Nigeria; Dunkwa-on-Offin in Ghana; Guildford in England and Coimbatore in India

15 Mothers' Union worldwide

16– 18 Iraq; Katakwa in Kenya; Kafanchan & Asaba in Nigeria; Lincoln in England and Trinidad & Tobago

19 – 21 Muyinga in Burundi; Lake Rukwa in Tanzania; Okrika in Nigeria; St Asaph in Wales; Bendigo in Australia and Gujarat in India

22 Mothers' Union worldwide

23 – 25 Southern Malawi in Malawi; Northern Uganda in Uganda; Lafia & Ilaje in Nigeria and Thoothukudi-Nazareth in India

26 – 28 Zululand in South Africa; Lodwar in Kenya; Isiala Ngwa South in Nigeria; Accra in Ghana; Bangor in Wales and Colombo in Sri Lanka

29 Mothers' Union worldwide

30 Mpumalanga in South Africa; Central Buganda in Uganda; Zonkwa in Nigeria; Bo in Sierra Leone; Newcastle in England and Barrackpore in India

Final Blessing

**May all our relationships
with family, friends, community
and with our Lord,
be transformed through the love of Christ.
Amen**

Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now! **December: Season of transformation**

Monday: Advent transformation

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

In this moment of Advent
we turn from the gloom of uncertainty and look towards the dawning of light.

With this gift of Advent
we receive a way to give our lives to the Saviour of the world.

Within this longing of Advent
we find peace for our restless hearts as we travel to worship the new-born King.

Before the door of Advent
we stand assured of acceptance as we step through to meet our Messiah.

**Through our relationship with Advent we experience God's everlasting love
as we marvel at the new-born Christ. Amen**

Tuesday: Darkness to light

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. *Isaiah 9:2*

Gracious God, we joyfully await the dawning of your Light, Jesus Christ.

May the radiance of his glory illumine the lives of those in darkness.
May the flame of his holiness reveal the deeds of ignorance and evil.
May the light of his word chase the shadows of guilt and despair.
May the warmth of his love melt the winter of selfishness.

Come to our world, Lord, and heal its wounds,
shining in the darkness and restoring joy, faith, hope and love.

**Transform us into a people of his light, that we may reflect your wondrous
grace to our waiting world. Amen**

Wednesday: Despair to hope

I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope. *Psalms 130:5*

This Advent, as we wait for the Hope of the World
we pray for God's hope to transform the despair of loss and loneliness.

God of sure and certain hope, hear our prayer.

This Advent, as we wait for the Hope of the World
we pray for God's love to bring hope in the lives of our family and friends.

God of sure and certain hope, hear our prayer.

This Advent, as we wait for the Hope of the World
we pray for God's hope to transform our doubts and fears into faith.

God of sure and certain hope, hear our prayer. Amen

Thursday: Lamenting to rejoicing

Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation. *Isaiah 25:9*

Loving God, we rejoice in this season of good news and good will, we celebrate once more the birth of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Prince of Peace, Lord of lords, we praise you!

For the wonder of this season, for its message of love and forgiveness, its promise of peace and justice, and the gift of life everlasting,

Loving God, we praise you!

We look forward to the day when the Jesus of Bethlehem will return as Lord of all.

King of kings, Lord of lords, with all creation, we will praise you!

Amen *From Nick Fawcett*

Friday: Injustice to righteousness

He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and for ever. *Isaiah 9:7*

Lord Jesus, send your Holy Spirit upon our Christmas preparations.

We who are anxious over many things –

look forward to your coming among us;

we who are blessed in so many ways –

long for the complete joy of your kingdom;

we whose hearts are heavy –

seek the joy of your presence.

Give us courage to be your people, to show your justice, grace, mercy, peace, and love, and to be a part of your transformation of our world, until the day when the baby whose birth we celebrate comes again in peace, and we sing your praise and glory forever.

Amen ©*Rev. Andy James*

Saturday: Advent transformation

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. *John 1:14*

Your Word, O God, has given us life;

your Word incarnate gives us new life in the Easter promise.

May your Word transform this Advent season,

dispelling the darkness of fear and mistrust;

may your Word dwell among us always,

awakening our hearts to your enduring love, justice and peace.

Jesus, Lord and Saviour we thank you for this season of celebration;

the renewal of your love for us that never fails.

We pray for all your people that today even in the darkest corners your lamp may be lit and your light may shine giving joy and peace. **Amen** ©*Heather Johnston*

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

1-2 Mpumalanga in South Africa; Central Buganda in Uganda;
Zonkwa in Nigeria; Bo in Sierra Leone; Newcastle in England and
Barrackpore in India

3 – 5 Akot in South Sudan; South West Tanganyika in Tanzania;
Aba & Irele-Ese Odo in Nigeria; Coventry in England and Cuttack in India

6 Mothers' Union worldwide

7 – 9 Namibia; Mount Kenya South in Kenya; Northern Izon & Ijebu North in
Nigeria and Durham in England

10 – 12 Lusaka in Zambia; Shyogwe in Rwanda; Sokoto & Ikka in Nigeria;
Ely in England and Karimnagar in India

13 Mothers' Union worldwide

14– 16 Fianarantsoa in Madagascar; Central Tanganyika in Tanzania; Calabar &
Igbomina in Nigeria; Derry & Raphoe in All Ireland and Banks & Torres in
Vanuatu

17 – 19 Lui in South Sudan; Embu in Kenya; Orlu & Awori in Nigeria;
The Murray in Australia and Medak in India

20 Mothers' Union worldwide

21 – 23 Archbishops, Bishops and all clergy in the Anglican Communion

24 – 26 Refugees, internally displaced families and those living in a climate of
fear

27 Mothers' Union worldwide

28-30 All involved with the responsibility of caring for and supporting family life

31 Mothers' Union worldwide

Final Blessing

**May we be filled with joy
throughout this Advent season
of hope and transformation.**

Amen