

O believing brethren! What an instrument is this which God hath put into your hands! Prayer moves Him that moves the universe
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UK Strategic Prayer Initiative – July 2026

1. Pastor / Pray your pastor will maintain (or develop) a strong personal prayer life. Please consider circling the day of your birthday as a second day you pray for your Pastor.

2. Persecuted Christians / Pray for Pastor Jon and other Christians in Yemen who have been jailed indefinitely since early 2026. Pastor Jon has served Christ for many years despite repeated threats on his life. In 2012, Islamist militants rushed into his church, and one held a gun to his head. He fully expected to die, but the militants did not kill him. In early February 2026, Pastor Jon was arrested along with two dozen Christians who have been detained. Pray they will soon be released and for strength for his wife and the other families dealing with the consequences of these arrests. Source: www.icommittoprayer.com

3. The National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast / will take place on Tuesday 7th July in Westminster Hall. The breakfast brings together over 700 MPs, Peers and church leaders who gather in the Houses of Parliament to pray for our Parliament, government and politics, to build relationships between church leaders and their local MPs, and to reflect upon the relevance of the Christian faith to our public life. Please pray for this upcoming event.

4. Important Legal or Humanitarian Relief Situation / Pray the Ebola virus dies out and ceases. The Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) declared a new Ebola outbreak in Ituri Province involving a newly identified variant that does not match previously known strains. With no vaccine currently, thousands of displaced children are at risk. As of mid-May 2026, 246 suspected cases have been reported, 80 deaths have been recorded, with another 2 confirmed cases and 1 death in Uganda. Ask God to comfort the families of victims. Source: World Vision

5. New Prime Minister / Pray for whoever this individual will be. Pray for wisdom, insight and courage as the country faces multiple issues. Pray too for the selection of a new cabinet.

6. Bibleless People Groups / Pray the Isles Of The Sea Cluster Project — Niufo'ou Language (1,500) people of Kingdom of Tonga will have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scripture in their heart language. Source: Wycliffe

7. Beach Missions / in the UK are vibrant, volunteer-led Christian outreach programmes that run during the summer holidays. Teams set up on popular coastal resorts to provide family activities, puppet shows, sand-building competitions, and open-air meetings, all aimed at sharing the message of Jesus with holidaymakers. Pray for organisations such as UBM and Scripture Union.

8. An Orphan-Care Projects / Pray for the children and workers who live at the Nzoia Kinship Family in Kenya. Pray the staff will have the Holy Spirit's help raising up genuine Christian disciples with each child. Pictures of the project can be seen at www.kinshipunited.org.

9. Each Country's Leader / Pray Prime Minister Mark Carney, the primary leader of Canada (37 million), will be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that will help the gospel to spread freely in his country, and allow people to live in peace. Pray for a reversal of the many restrictions that have been imposed recently intended to stifle the preaching of the gospel.

10. Independent Christian schools / Certain schools, parents and pupils have been given permission to take their legal challenge against the government's VAT policy to apply a 20% VAT charge for school fees to the Supreme Court. Judges will now consider whether the policy strikes a fair balance between its aims and its impact on families and schools. Pray for a fair and just outcome.

11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 40% of the World's Population) / Indonesia - Ask God to reach the young people of Indonesia. One-third of the population are under 18 years old. Students in universities/colleges, number 3.5 million in over 2,300 institutions. Several college ministris serve on campuses (Navigators, IFES, Cru, and others). Islamic universities are growing in number and influence. Many Indonesians study overseas, many in open nations - pray they will be reached. Others are attracted by scholarships to study in Saudi Arabia. Source: www.operationworld.org

12. The Lord's Day / Pray for individual Christians and ministries across our nation that are facing opposition by opponents of God's word. May each one know God's peace and direction as they worship.

13. The Church / Pray the UK church will realise its calling to be separate from the ways of the world. "So be holy in all you do live your lives as strangers here in reverent fear." (James 1:22-25, James 4:4)

14. The Strategic Prayer Initiative / Our mission is to use research, Scripture (Psalm 119:105), prayers for guidance (Matthew 21:22), to help develop and encourage focused strategic prayer. Pray if it be God's will more individuals and churches will make use of the Prayer Guide. Our website is www.SPIprayer.org

15. Christian Ministries / SIM - Convinced no one should live and die without hearing God's good news, SIM has been called of God to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in communities where He is least known. Pray each worker draws upon God for strength and love for all. Source: www.ehc.org

16. Bible Sales / This year, Easter Sunday set a record as 21.6 million people worldwide engaged with scripture in a single day. Of these, nearly 500,000 users were in the UK. Print Bible sales are at an all-time high, also. Pray the truths of scripture will result in an understanding of the gospel and surrender to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Source: Premier

17. National Revival / Pray the Holy Spirit would be poured out on the United Kingdom, bringing deep conviction of sin, and ushering in an extended season of national repentance, conversion, pursuit of holiness, and social responsibility. Additionally, pray any schemes of the Enemy to thwart God's plans and truth, in the nation, your church, or in your home, would have no effect.

18. The Nations / Thailand - Pray for the Gospel to effectively permeate this culture of Buddhism, spiritism, and the occult. Pray for moral conviction to fall on those who oppress others for profit via the sex trade. Pray for growth in the church to reach all. Source: www.prayercast.com

19. The Lord's Day / Pray for all those in government (both national and local) who claim Jesus Christ as their Saviour to be renewed, encouraged and guided as they worship today.

20. Councilors in Kent / have voted to start each meeting with the Lord's Prayer, despite opposition from secularists. Kent County Council will introduce saying the Lord's Prayer in its next meeting this month following a motion passed by 46 votes to 15, with six abstentions. Formal prayers have not been said in the council's meetings since 1987. Several councilors expressed their belief that Christianity is part of the UK's national identity. God will truly be honoured through this decision. Source: Faith and Freedom

21. Evangelism / Pray for all believers to have the desire and drive to find a way to share the good news of the gospel to family, friends and contacts that arise each day. May those unaccustomed to reaching out be encouraged and delighted to see the Holy Spirit work as they step out in faith.

22. The Family / Pray God would help parents set right priorities to establish consistent devotional time in their own lives, as well as seriously consider having regular devotions with their children.

23. Local Government / Local authorities throughout the country are dealing with limited resources and increasing demand for social care services. Pray that fair and creative ways to raise revenue will be found and the most efficient ways of working whilst complying with their statutory requirements and the expectations of their communities. Pray for your local authority.

24. Cultural Influencers / Daniel Day-Lewis 69. Pray God would infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension. That he would help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God's personal impact on his life. He claims to be an atheist. Source: Wikipedia

25. Chief Legal Advisors in the United Kingdom: Pray for Richard Hermer (Attorney General for England and Wales), Dame Brenda King (Attorney General for N. Ireland), Ruth Charteris (Lord Advocate for Scotland). They are their primary legal counsel for their respective governments.

26. The Lord's Day / Praise God that he showed us his kindness and love, because of his mercy he saved us that we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life (Titus 3:5 - 7)

27. Bible Translation / An estimated 6.2 billion people can now read the word of God in their native tongue, after the Bible has been translated into its 800th language. Wycliffe Bible Translators is celebrating the milestone but have reiterated there is more to do as one in five people are waiting for a text in their own language. Praise God for those engaged in this essential work and pray for its acceleration for others. Source: Premier

28. Unreached People Groups / Pray God will raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to effectively reach the 61,185,000-member Turk group of Türkiye (Turkey). Source: www.joshuaproject.net

29. The Church / Pray for a spirit of humility and the gift of wisdom be granted to the board of elders or other governing body of all Bible believing churches.

30. Television and Films / Pray that all future films that have a strong Christian message will be produced with excellence and attract a wide audience, pointing viewers to the claims of the gospel.

31. Neighbour _____ Coworker _____ *

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