## Prayer Calendar October 2020

## <u>Bible Studies taken from Food for the</u> <u>Journey 365-day devotional</u>



<u>Thursday 1</u> Pray for the practical details of the Derwent Project. Pray that the new site will be able to be used for the Convention 2021.

<u>Friday 2</u> Pray for the Forth Valley Keswick 2020 – an online Keswick Fellowship Event with Tim Chester.

<u>Saturday 3</u> Give thanks for Virtually Keswick Convention 2020. Pray for the advance of the message of Hope in the gospel.

<u>Sunday 4</u> 2 Timothy 4:6–8 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. [7] I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. [8] Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

Monday 5 Pray for the Teaching and Training Event: Emerging Leaders' Workshop – an online experience. 5 October 2020 – 9 October 2020. The Emerging Leaders' Workshop is a structured blended learning space for you to engage with Christ, to be inspired and better equipped to lead radically and authentically now and in the future.

<u>Tuesday 6</u> Pray for Chester Bible Focus 2020, a Keswick Fellowship Event. 6-7 October 2020. All Saints Church, Chester. Genesis chapters 1-3 with Dr Jonathan Gibson, Professor of Old Testament Theology in Westminster, Philadelphia.

<u>Wednesday 7</u> "Our prayers can go where we cannot." Brother Andrew, founder of Open Doors.

<u>Thursday 8</u> Continuing studying from 2 Timothy: God did not just show His grace to us at Calvary. Every day our lives are flooded with His grace and mercy. He has sent His Spirit to be with us, even now, strengthening, comforting, guiding, equipping and keeping us. We are truly blessed!

<u>Friday 9</u> Pray for the persecuted church. Open Doors Egypt. Pray for wisdom for church leaders as they shepherd their congregations through the growing economic crisis caused by coronavirus. Pray for courage to keep sharing the love of Jesus in the midst of this crisis and for open ears for the church in Egypt.

<u>Saturday 10</u> We give thanks for the Hope of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Jesus, our only hope in life and death. Pray for the faithful proclamation of gospel in churches up and down our land and across the world.

Sunday 11 Ruth 1:1–2 In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. [2] The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there.

Monday 12 Continuing on in Ruth: If you have decisions to make, bring them before God. Pray, ask for wisdom, listen to God speaking through His Word and, if it is appropriate, ask the advice of mature believers whom know you well.

<u>Tuesday 13</u> Pray for today's monthly workshop in Hebrew. An online Teaching and Training Event taught by James Robson.

<u>Wednesday 14</u> Give thanks for the Lord's faithfulness in providing for the work of Keswick Ministries. We pray for His ongoing financial provision in unprecedented days.

<u>Thursday 15</u> Pray for the Faith in the Second Half online seminars today. In this post-Covid world it has become more challenging for the older person to flourish in their Christian life and service.

<u>Friday 16</u> Pray for the persecuted church. Open Doors: As Covid-19 continues to spread across Africa, many already vulnerable Christians face hunger as well as ongoing persecution. Pray for wisdom and protection for Open Doors partners distributing relief aid across the region.

<u>Saturday 17</u> Pray for the Keswick Fellowship Events that have been impacted by Coronavirus. Some have been able to continue online, some have had to be cancelled.

<u>Sunday 18</u> Ruth 1:8–9 But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. [9] The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept.

Monday 19 Continuing on in Ruth: There is a selflessness here about Naomi as she kisses her daughters-in-law and asks the Lord to show them kindness. The word is hesed, God's covenant love. She is commending them ultimately into the care of God.

<u>Tuesday 20</u> Pray for the Preaching Workshop taking place in Keswick, with Richard Garnett and James Robson this week. 19-23 October 2020.

Wednesday 21 Pray for James Robson as he leads the programme planning for the Convention 2021.

<u>Thursday 22</u> Pray for today's monthly workshop in Hebrew. An online Teaching and Training Event taught by James Robson.

<u>Friday 23</u> Pray for the persecuted church. Open Doors: Sudan. Believers from Muslim backgrounds continue to face pressure from the government, despite the recent changes. Pray for their protection and for Open Doors partners discipling them and providing livelihood support.

<u>Saturday 24</u> We give thanks for the Hope of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Jesus, our only hope in life and death. Pray for the faithful proclamation of gospel in churches up and down our land and across the world.

<u>Sunday 25</u> Ruth 1:22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabite her daughter-in-law with her, who returned from the country of Moab. And they came to Bethlehem at the beginning of barley harvest.

Monday 26 Continuing on in Ruth: Perhaps pain and grief are means God uses to train our eyes on the horizon, to keep us looking forward to that eternal hope, and to speed its coming.

<u>Tuesday 27</u> Pray for the upcoming Teaching and Training Event 26 November 2020. Doctrine Study Day. In partnership with the Pastor's Academy at London Seminary, Keswick Ministries is hosting a Doctrine Study Day, taught by Garry Williams and Dr Neil Martin.

<u>Wednesday 28</u> Pray for the ongoing Derwent Project, Pray for good progress with the building programme.

<u>Thursday 29</u> Pray for the practical planning for the 2021 Keswick Convention. Pray it would be able to take place on the new site.

<u>Friday 30</u> Pray for the persecuted church. Open Doors: The spread of Covid-19 in Azerbaijan and Armenia has led to extremely strict quarantines. Pray that Christians will be Christ's voice of hope and peace to those in despair.

<u>Saturday 31</u> Pray for the global situation with Coronavirus. Pray for churches to be able to stay open. Pray for vaccines, and effective therapies. Pray for all those physically affected by Coronavirus, for those who have lost loved ones, and for those financially impacted. We cry for mercy on our world.