

Saturday 25/11	Though we may wish that our church was more obvious from the street yet God directs new people to our door. Give thanks for each one, perhaps a visitor to our city, perhaps a temporary resident, but all seeking a place to worship and experience God's presence. May we be encouraged that we can be used of God to bless a stranger.
Sunday 26/11	"Do not try to change the church. Instead love the church and let God do the changing." Robert Warren quoted in Encounter with God. Help us to love the church in every way and be open to God changing us.
Monday 27/11	Since God chose you to be Holy people who he loves, you must clothe yourself with tender hearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. And the most important piece of clothing you must wear is Love. Love is what binds us all together in perfect harmony. Colossians 3:12-14.
Tuesday 28/11	Lord, help me through your Spirit, to know the kind of peace that the world cannot give. (from Encounter with God)
Wednesday 29/11	Pray for Extravaganza leaflets as they go out to Victoria Primary and church children and Chatterboxes that children will bring their friends for this fun morning (Saturday 9th December) when we explore the real meaning of Christmas. Pray for a team of volunteers from the church and also our teenagers to help, as well as the planning of the event.

Thursday 30/11	Remember the plans for the ceilidh in aid of Kampi. Thanks for all the hard work put in by the organisers. We pray that it will be a happy and good night with fun for all ages. While having fun let us also remember the handicapped children who we are helping and rejoice in our partnership with Kampi.
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Newhaven Church Prayer Calendar

November 2017

Wednesday 1/11	Pray for those you know who are ill, that they will receive the necessary medical and nursing help they need. Pray for the families supporting them, they will be aware of God's presence and the peace of the Holy Spirit.
Thursday 2/11	The Shoebox service is on Sunday: pray that we will take the opportunity to invite friends along to this service; Pray that they will be inspired by the service and the work of Blythwood Care.
Friday 3/11	Pray for those in the congregation with aging parents and other relatives. Pray particularly for those who live some distance away and have concerns about how best to care for them.
Saturday 4/11	As we look out into a world of increasing uncertainty and trouble let us give renewed thanks for our faith in our Rock "which cannot move, grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love".

Sunday 5/11	Give thanks for all those who have filled shoeboxes. Pray for the distribution to eastern Europe; for safety in transit and that those really in need would receive them. Pray that they would see that they are not alone in their hardship and there others who care.
Monday 6/11	Remember the Kirk Session meeting tonight. Pray for individual members as they meet. May they have God's wisdom in their deliberations. Help them to know the way forward for the congregation at this time.
Tuesday 7/11	Could you pray for the continuing work of the café in the community; for the dedication of our wonderful volunteers; and as always for new volunteers to come forward. May we always be thankful for the way in which God provides for the café needs.
Wednesday 8/11	Pray for the SU group at Victoria School. Remember Cassie and Catherine as they take it. Pray that the children will be focused on the message and not distracted by those passing by. Give thanks for the freedom to run the group and pray that those attending will grow in their understanding and living of the Christian faith.
Thursday 9/11	Pray for our congregation. Pray that we may be the aroma of Christ in the community and others may be attracted to Christ because of us. Pray for our role as a body. We have lost members recently. Pray that there may be others coming to join us and that we would be alert to our role in in inviting and welcoming them.
Friday 10/11	Remember Shona Adam and the finance team, as they look after the church's finances. Give thanks for the care and diligence that goes into their work in keeping the records accurate and up to date. Pray for their dealing with HMRC and claiming the repayment of Gift Aid.
Saturday 11/11	We remember the armed forces and all who serve in them. We think particularly of those who are required to serve in dangerous places. We ask for their safety. We also pray for wisdom for them when faced with having to make sudden decisions in difficult circumstances.

Sunday 12/11	As we remember those who have died in war and those who put their lives at risk in the armed forces, let us pray for peace and in particular those parts of the world where there is tension. Let us remember in particular North Korea and those living in fear that the war of words may escalate.
Monday 13/11	Pray for all those you know who have recently been bereaved and Pray that they will know the Lord's presence to comfort and sustain them.
Tuesday 14/11	Toddler group: pray for the staffing of this group, praying that the PVGs of the two new helpers will come through quickly and that they will be able to join the team.
Wednesday 15/11	Continue to remember those involved in the Brexit negotiations. Help them to be aware not just of our own interests but also that the concerns of the poor countries and their access to markets may not be ignored in the negotiations. Pray for wisdom and courage for all those in position of authority in the negotiations.
Thursday 16/11	The Go for It Committee meets today. Pray for them as they assess the various applications that they have for funding including ours for Cassie's continued work after April 2018. Give them wisdom in deciding how to allocate resources among many good projects. Pray that the Lord will guide us in how we react to the decision on our application. Pray that His will be done.
Friday 17/11	Pray for the children from the church and Chatterboxes to apply for the Lendrick Muir weekend at the end of February. It's a great weekend of fun, teaching and building up relationships. Everyone has always had such a great time. Remember the Chatterboxes group and give thanks for the tremendous opportunities we have to explore the significance of Jesus. Thanks too for the support of Miss Scott the headteacher and some of the other staff. We are so fortunate in having this.
Saturday 18/11	Today is the breakfast meeting for those who have joined our fellowship recently. Pray that they will be settling in. This is a time for us all to get to know each other better.
Sunday 19/11	Give thanks for Len and Liz Thomson coming to join us. Give thanks for their contribution and pray for Liz as she prepares to join the Kirk Session.

Monday 20/11	We have lost many folk this year who have given a lot to our church. Let us give thanks for all that they have done and for the particular influences on our lives. Let us rejoice at the richness they brought to our life. We also remember their families who feel the loss so much more.
Tuesday 21/11	“Pruning is not an optional extra, says Jesus. Without it we cannot be fruitful and grow in our Christian lives” (John 15 vv2 & 5 quoted in Encounter with God.) Help us to submit to pruning so that we may abide in Jesus.
Wednesday 22/11	Tonight is the Bible study and prayer meeting. Thank God for the gift of the Bible and the inspiration that it is for us. Pray that we engage with it and let it speak to us. Help us to develop our understanding of it. Help us as we remember the needs of the parish and others in our time of prayer.
Thursday 23/11	Syria seems to have slipped out of the news recently, but it is a broken country where there is much suffering. Give thanks that there is a huge demand for bibles and pray for the Bible society rep there who can't keep up with demand for bibles. Pray for the people whose lives have been broken and lost loved ones.
Friday 24/11	Remember the Pastoral Care group. Give thanks for their diligence in visiting housebound and hospitalised members. Help them to allocate resources appropriately and pray that they would find fellowship and God's presence in their work