

Mon. 24/08	Ecumenical prayers for the Holy Land. "Spirit of the living God, Come afresh on your Holy Land. Help your people to restore broken relationships... Teach them to respect each other's integrity and rights so that your Kingdom may be established on earth." <i>Rt Rev Riah Abu El-Assal,</i>
Tues. 25/08	If you're struggling with low self-esteem, here's a prayer to help you: "Father, sometimes I think I'm no use, that I can't do anything right, that nothing I do is ever good enough. Then I remember that when you look at who I am and who I can be - you see Jesus! And He is good enough!"
Wed. 26/08	Don't worry when you find it hard to bring difficult or seemingly impossible situations before God. If we don't know how or what to pray, it doesn't matter. "Lord...you already know what is in my heart. Thank You that I don't have to try to explain what troubles me when your Spirit is in me, praying for me." Thoughts from Romans 8:26.
Thurs. 27/08	Lord, pray for those in Calais, desperate and risking all for a better life. "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Matthew 25:35.
Fri. 28/08	Pray for our children who go to camp that they will be built up through the teaching and fellowship and will return home stronger and closer to God. Pray for their witness at home and in school.
Sat. 29/08	Give thanks for all we have; help us to appreciate all we take for granted. "Sing to the Lord a new song, Sing to the Lord, all the earth sing to the Lord, praise his name, proclaim his salvation day after day." Psalm 96:1.
Sun. 30/08	"Life will place before us hundreds of options: some bad; some good; a few will be the best. The words of Jesus, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God....." Force us to ask ourselves - "What am I really living for?" <i>Word for Today.</i>
Mon. 31/08	Pray for God to break through any negativity that people are experiencing towards themselves. Pray that they will see how much God loves and values them.

## Newhaven Church Prayer Calendar August 2015

Sat. 01/08	Pray for those in our congregation who are struggling because of illness, work stresses or family problems. Help them to know God's love and faithfulness through hard times.
Sun. 02/08	Give thanks for our Summer Lighthouse volunteers who have stepped in to help our children explore the theme 'God's Grocery Store, Buy Nothing Get Everything Free!'
Mon. 03/08	"O Lord, so many sick, so many starving, so many deprived, so many sad, so many bitter, so many fearful, when I look at them my heart fails. When I look at you I hope again. Help me to help you to reduce the world's pain... Amen." <i>George Appleton.</i>
Tues. 04/08	Pray for our children who will receive exam results this week that, whatever the outcome, they will feel supported.
Wed. 05/08	Give thanks for the continued and growing good relationship with our parish school, Victoria Primary. Pray that we would be able to reach out and continue to share the message of God's love with the children and staff through the practical ways we serve the school.
Thur. 06/08	"It's good enough that He shed His precious blood to cover my unworthiness... Good enough that He paid the price for every sin I'll ever commit... Good enough that He's perfecting me each day... Good enough that He's interceding for me right now. Thank you Father that everything Jesus does is good enough and that, in Him, I'm good enough too!" adapted from <i>Word for Today.</i>
Fri. 07/08	"Lord for the years your love has kept and guided, urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way. Sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided. Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today." <i>Timothy Dudley-Smith.</i>

Sat. 08/08	Continue to pray for the families and communities affected by the conflict in Syria. Pray for people who have had to leave behind everything that they know to flee to safety. For those who have lost loved ones, those who have been separated from families. Pray that the people of Syria will receive hope and that peace and justice will prevail. Pray for a better tomorrow and for God's blessing upon them.
Sun. 09/08	"Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." Psalm 119:105. Help us to be like Mary and to spend time listening to God through His Word and to just spend time "being" in His presence. Help us to examine the ways we run our every day lives.
Mon. 10/08	Give thanks for the Leith churches' holiday club. Please pray for the 40 children (most from non-church backgrounds) as they sing the songs they learnt around the house and they tell their families some of what they did. Pray for the witness of these children that God will use it.
Tues. 11/08	Pray for all the new parents in the congregation at the moment, a difficult life changing experience, help them not to be too anxious and enjoy the joy a child brings, give thanks for the gift of children.
Wed. 12/08	Pray for the children from the holiday club as they return to school. Pray the message that they are a part of God's team will have a positive impact on their school year.
Thur. 13/08	Pray for the C of S Safeguarding Service as looks to meet the October deadline when a change in the law will require all applicable staff to be members of the PVG Scheme. Pray for Gillian as she undertakes this vital role for us.
Fri. 14/08	We pray for our Growth Groups; that they will thrive with prospective new members coming forward.
Sat. 15/08	Pray for Cassie as she reaches out to the schools in East Edinburgh in her SU role. Pray that the letters of introduction would be received with open hearts and minds and would be the beginning of good relationships with the schools.

Sun. 16/08	Pray that the recent nuclear deal with Iran will be a genuine catalyst for further positive developments in the Middle East. May peace and hope prevail over scepticism.
Mon. 17/08	Please pray for the planning of the "Back to School with God" service on 23rd August. The aim is to begin our school year as a church community thinking about our relationship with God and to come together and pray for our schools. Pray for the new families who may come.
Tues. 18/08	Please pray for Toddlers starting today and for the 8 new mums that will be coming along in the next few weeks that they might quickly feel a part of our group. Praise and pray for the opportunities to share God's love and to be a witness for Him.
Wed. 19/08	Lord, pray that when I encounter the beggar and the homeless on our streets that I do not judge. Give me the strength to stop and show your love and compassion.
Thur. 20/08	Pray for Open Doors, an organization that supports and works with persecuted Christians. It also delivers Bibles and Christian books in countries where they are difficult to obtain. Pray for radio programmes that encourage and reach secret believers. Pray also for the training of Christians and Church leaders from these countries.
Fri. 21/08	Give thanks we never have to worry that God will run out of love for it flows from a well that will never run dry. "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good! His faithful love endures forever." <i>Psalms 136</i>
Sat. 22/08	Lord, remember those who are housebound. Help us ensure they still feel part of our Church community.
Sun. 23/08	Pray for our "Back to School with God" service. Pray that the children will be excited to invite friends and teachers to hear about how the Apostle Peter's relationship with Jesus is an encouraging model for our relationship with God and with others during this school year.