

Newhaven Church Prayer Calendar February 2016

Wed. 24/02	Pray healing for those who are ill or recovering from surgery. May they know they are loved.
Thur. 25/02	Pray for the work of Interserve as it supports missionaries in every part of the world. This years verse is "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble, therefore we will not fear." <i>Psalms 46:1</i>
Fri. 26/02	Praise God that several children from both Chatterboxes and Newhaven Church will be attending the Scripture Union Scotland Edinburgh Schools Weekend. Pray that the children would meet with God in a real way; would deepen their relationships with one another; and that Cassie and Christine can keep up with them!
Sat. 27/02	"Do not resist an evil doer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also." <i>Matthew 5:39</i> . Pray for those who seek peace through non-violence.
Sun. 28/02	Pray for world leaders as they consider how to deal with the migrant crisis. Pray for humility and wisdom, and an appreciation that their role (along with each one of us) is part of humanity's God given responsibility for the world, it's creatures and each other.
Mon. 29/02	Fair trade fortnight. This years theme The BIG fair trade breakfast, sit down for breakfast stand up for farmers. Which asks us to reflect on where our favourite breakfast food come from and how the producers are treated. Fairtrade now reaches over 1.5 million farmers and workers across the globe ensuring fair pay and working conditions, but there is still a long way to go. Pray for Fairtrade fortnight and work of world mission council to promote this.

Mon. 01/02	Pray for the teens in our community as they sit their preliminary exams. Pray that they would be comforted and encouraged by their identity in Christ. Pray against distraction, anxiousness, and worry.
Tues. 02/02	Please pray for more volunteers for toddlers. Please pray for the group, mums with different worries and levels of exhaustion. For each to enjoy and build up positive relationships in the family. Pray for a mum who is seriously ill, her family and wee one. Pray for the volunteers that we might show God's love for each family and be sensitive to the different needs and make new people welcome.
Wed. 03/02	"God of all love and peace, you carry us through every day, accompany us in our fears, anoint us with hope. Bless us with your grace that our eyes may be opened, and hearts moved and stirred to make a world where all may dwell in your house of peace and plenty." From <i>Christian Aid</i>
Thur. 04/02	"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything... if you do this, you will experience God's peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand." <i>Philippians 4:6-7</i>
Fri. 05/02	There are a number of people currently involved in compiling Newhaven Church's annual report of activities for 2015. Give thanks to God for the many things that go on in our Church and that so many people in our community are involved. Pray that in 2016 we will continue to be a light shining in our area.
Sat. 06/02	"But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." <i>Matthew 6:33</i> . Pray caution when relying on political systems to change the world. Transform yourself first!
Sun. 07/02	Think of those who struggle with health issues that they

	may receive the treatment they need and be supported and helped by family and friends.
Mon. 08/02	Pray for anyone having to make serious life decisions this week. Pray for God to guide them in their choices and that they would hear God's voice more and more clearly.
Tues. 09/02	The Kirk session meets tonight to review the draft 2015 annual accounts. Give thanks for the commitment and effort of the Finance Group, and our external accountants, in compiling these. Give thanks that, after the bad experience of the banking fraud scam in 2014, the Finance Group has been able to refocus very well.
Wed. 10/02	Lord, give us humility to serve others and give us the love, which finds significance and identity in you. From <i>Encounter with God</i> .
Thur. 11/02	Pray for the making of plans for Easter. The Mission and Outreach group will be planning for services and reflection on Good Friday. It is intended to repeat the prayer stations. Pray for ways in which we can support our congregation and community in prayer. This is one ministry that only the church can offer to the community.
Fri. 12/02	Ask God for an opportunity to share His love and joy with someone this week. Pray that you would plant a seed of faith in their life. From <i>The Word for Today</i> .
Sat. 13/02	Pray for Trinity Academy as chaplaincy is begun under the direction of Alex McAspurren of North Leith Parish Church. Pray that the team, of which Cassie will be involved, will be able serve the school in a way that demonstrates Christ's love for them.
Sun. 14/02	Help us in our reading of the Bible. Gives us wisdom in our understanding and interpretation and perseverance in our study. May we allow the word to fashion our lives and to be open to God's leading.
Mon. 15/02	Pray for families as they take a rest from the school diary for the February break. Pray that they would be able to rest and enjoy time with one another.

Tues. 16/02	Pray for the work of Scottish Bible Society as they promote the reading of the bible, and for Bible world and the many schools that will take part in its programme this year. Pray for each child that their time on board will make an impact on their young lives.
Wed. 17/02	Pray for unity and peace between ethnic communities in our country. However diverse the people of the world are, we are all part of one family –children of one God.
Thur. 18/02	"Though we stumble, we shall not fall headlong, for the Lord holds us by the hand." <i>Psalms 37:24</i> . He never lets go.
Fri. 19/02	Pray for Tearfund, Samaritans Purse, Christian Aid and others giving help to refugee families who have had to flee their homes because of conflict.
Sat. 20/02	Safe Families for Children is having a volunteers training today in Edinburgh. In partnership with Bethany Christian Trust, they help families in crisis or having a difficult time get support. Thank God for the servant hearts of those leading and attending this training. Pray that they would leave feeling equipped to help in this ministry.
Sun. 21/02	Pray for broken relationships. Pray that love and forgiveness with shine through and relationships will be restored.
Mon. 22/02	Pray for those who can no longer come to church on a Sunday and pray that they may still feel a part of our fellowship. Help us not to forget them and to find ways of including them. Help us all to stay close to God and to know His presence and guidance in our lives. "Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path." <i>Psalms 119:105</i>
Tues. 23/02	Give thanks for all the Cassie has achieved in her first months with us. In particular there have been many more opportunities at Victoria Primary and ask that these opportunities may be made the most of. Pray in particular for the Easter events that the children may learn the real message and know the good news of Easter.