

MONTH OF PRAYER

SEPTEMBER 2025
Launching Sunday 31 August

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MONDAYS 7am The Octagon Room - 30 mins

TUESDAYS 9am The Chapel in church - 30 mins

WEDNESDAYS 7.30pm at church - 1 hour

THURSDAYS 1.30pm at church - 30 mins

FRIDAYS 6am at The Simmonds* - 30 mins

SATURDAYS Sabbath

SUNDAYS 10:30am at church - 15 mins

* 31 Northcote Road, LE2 3FH. Contact Adam Simmonds on 07956 205 975 should you need to

DAY OF FASTING

Wednesday 17th September

We will break fast together at 8.30pm after the prayer meeting, food will be provided.

FINAL PRAYER EVENING

Tuesday 30th September 7.30pm

We will end our month of prayer with a final evening of prayer and worship for an hour together in church. Please note on this day there will be no prayer in the morning.

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During our month of prayer, we will have six opportunities to gather to pray each week, and we encourage everyone to engage as much as they feel they can. Each week we will have an over arching theme that will shape our prayer times, though we are also very keen to hear what God is saying to us as a church.

We are encouraging everyone to consider fasting on Wednesday 17th September, and we would love for you to join in if you feel able. Fasting is voluntarily giving up something to increase our focus on God. There is some really helpful guidance on the 24/7 prayer website.

We believe that God speaks to his people and we want to hear what God is saying to us. We want to encourage a sense of listening to his voice, not only during the Week of Prayer. So please let us know what He has been saying to you by emailing office@sjbchurch.co.uk. It may seem like something small, it might seem insignificant, but we would love to hear about it.



WEEK ONE

We are praying for our city, county and Nation. The needs of our nation are huge and we need God to move on our Nation in a new way. Encouragingly there are many stories of God moving in fresh ways across our nation. Some ways we can focus our prayers this week are:

Pray for God's kingdom to come

The simplest prayer can be the most powerful: "Your Kingdom Come,
Your Will be done,
On earth as in heaven"

Pray for all in leadership, national and local

Everyone in leadership with local and nation government, those in responsible positions such as police officers, MP's, councillors etc need our prayers.

Pray for our city

Walk around your local streets and pray for the people and places you see.

Pray for the many nations who are part of our city, for those who experience isolation, poverty and feel trapped. That we would continue to grow in diversity that reflects the diversity of our city.



WEEK TWO

We pray for different generations this week, we are grateful that we are an intergenerational church, as individuals as we grow older, we are reminded by God that our call is pass on the message to the next generation.

Pray for our under 18's work including St Johns School, Kids and youth work on Sunday, MOLO and Tiny Treasures.

Pray for our older members who have faithfully served Jesus over many years, especially for those who are ill, house bound or feel isolated. Pray for the older generations to be a source of guidance and support for the younger ones.

Pray for parents as they seek to bring up their children as disciples of Jesus.

"We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done."

Psalm 78:4



WEEK THREE

This week we focus our prayers on the Nations.

As we look at the situation across the world the needs are vast and we can feel overwhelmed, but we are called to be a people who pray for the Nations of the earth, trusting that God is "over all and through all and in all."

As well as revisiting prayer prompts for our world from past SJB prayer diaries you could pray for the following:

- Areas/countries impacted by war.
- Refugees and asylum seekers
- Those seeking to share the Gospel in different nations.



WEEK FOUR

This week we will praying for Mission. Jesus calls us to be His witnesses on the earth and to point people to the only one who can save.

Pray for your own personal witness with friends, neighbours and colleagues.

In Acts we are reminded that God has appointed times and locations for us to live so that they may come to know him. Ask Jesus to strengthen you.

Pray for five friends or family members.

We encourage everyone to pray for five people that they want to come to know Jesus.

Pray for Sharon, Jonny and the Beloved team.

BeLoved is a new worshipping community that will serve those who have special educational needs.

Pray for our developing network vision.

On Sunday 12 October we will be sharing more about how God is leading us, please pray for our ongoing discernment and steps of Faith.