

God in St James, and that as a church we will have a greater boldness in telling others about Jesus. *Cumberland Court*

23 Miriam Westfall writes: "Ask God to give Christian students boldness to introduce their friends and course mates to Jesus. Pray for Agape Student life workers and all student workers across the UK to be empowered by the Holy Spirit and not get discouraged! Pray that Christian students would be a strong witness to their housemates."

*Northumberland Street*

24 An new Alpha Course is due to start tonight. Pray that through this course, those who attend this course, will have a life changing encounter with God. Pray that St James will see growth, as people come to faith in Jesus. *Trafalgar Street*

25 Pray for those people who are wrestling with doubt, and find themselves questioning their faith. Pray that they may come to a deeper appreciation and understanding of God's love, and that as they travel through the darkest valley (Psalm 23:4) they may know God's presence with them. *Blencowe Street*

26 Today members of the Two Rivers Mission Community are attending a 'Moving Forward' workshop. The theme of the workshop is

'exploring leadership'. Pray for all who attend this day, that it will help inspire and encourage us to develop our vision for the mission community. *Lorne Street*

27 Pray for Mark and Wendy who are preaching today. Give thanks to God for the children and young people who are members of our church family, pray that they will grow in love for Jesus, and have the courage and boldness to share their faith with others. *St James Road*

28 Give thanks for our interns Justine and Libby, and for all they do. Pray for our former interns in all that they are doing. *St James Avenue*

29 Give thanks for the ministry of the Op Shop and Cornerstone, and for the team of volunteers who help run the shops. Pray for the Shop Board as they meet to discuss all aspects relating to the work of Cornerstone. *Pugin Street*

30 Pray for our home groups, and those that lead them. Pray that through the home groups, relationships with one another and God will deepen. *Kenmount Place*

31 Pray for Kate as she makes plans for the Holiday Club taking place next month, and for the team who support her. *Clifton Street*



## Prayer Diary January 2019

**LOVING**

*Jesus*

**SERVING**

*the community*

**GROWING**

*disciples*

ST JAMES SCARLISLE

### ST JAMES 2019 MOTTO

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:35)

1. Lord, You make all things new. You bring hope alive in our hearts and cause our Spirits to be born again. Thank you for this new year, for all the potential it holds. Come and kindle in us a mighty flame so that in our time, many will see the wonders of God and live forever to praise Your glorious name. Amen  
*Holme Head Way*

2 How would you like to grow in your relationship with God in 2019? Is there one change you could make that would help you grow as a Christian this year? Spend time talking to God about this.  
*Prescott Road*

3 Pray for those in leadership, especially our Government, that they will lead this nation with wisdom and integrity.  
*Waldegrave Road*

4 Pray for our wardens, Donald and Judith, in all that they do to serve the church family. At our Annual Church Meeting in March Donald will be stepping down as warden after six years in the role, pray that the right successor will be found.  
*Longsowerby Road*

5 Pray for the ministry of Carlisle Street Pastors, as they go onto the streets of our city to be a loving,

- listening, caring presence.  
*Percy Road*
- 6 Today is Epiphany Sunday, when we remember the visit of the magi to Jesus. Pray that just like the magi, others will be drawn to Jesus. Pray for Kate as she leads the all age service this morning, and for Paul as he preaches at Cummersdale.  
*Diggle Road*
- 7 Pray for teachers and pupils at the start of a new term. Dear God, Grant our teachers an abundance of Your wisdom. Give them grace as they help students who aren't thriving, courage to say what needs to be said, tools and knowledge on how and when to speak love, and strength when they feel weak. Bless them, Lord, and help them to see a glimpse of how their faithfulness will forever impact generations to come. Amen.  
*Ferguson Road*
- 8 According to the Office of National Statistics 26% of women and 15% of men have experienced domestic abuse since the age of 16. Pray for the survivors and victims of violence, abuse and neglect. Pray for God to heal their wounds, free them from fear and restore them to true health. Pray too for those who abuse and mistreat others, that God will turn their hearts from evil, and open their eyes to the truth of their conduct, so that they may come to true repentance and amendment of their lives.  
*Ferguson Place*
- 9 Rehearsals for the Carlisle Passion Play begin tonight. Pray for all involved in the organisation of this special event taking place in the centre of Carlisle in April.  
*Wellbank*
- 10 Pray for local businesses, especially those affected by the uncertainty surrounding Brexit.  
*Wellbank Place*
- 11 Pray for our local councillors: for Denton Holme, Chris Southward, Lisa Brown and Ruth Alcroft, and the county councillor representing Denton Holme, Karen Lockney. Pray also for Trevor Allison, councillor for Cummersdale.  
*Norfolk Street*
- 12 Today is the first fell walk of 2019, pray that through these walks relationships will be developed and strengthened.  
*Norfolk Terrace*
- 13 This afternoon there is a special service taking place at Wigton Road Methodist Church for our Mission Community. Pray that this service will help unite us as a mission community, and deepen our commitment in working together to serve the wider community.  
*Norfolk Court*
- 14 Pray for the staff team at St James, Kate our Children and Families Worker, Joan our Verger, Andy our Shop's Manager and Toby our Administrator. Give thanks to God for each one of them, and ask for God's blessing to be upon them in both their working lives and personal lives.  
*Denton Holme Student Village*
- 15 Pray for those who are finding life difficult at the moment. As the song 'Blessed be your name' reminds us, we are called to praise God when times are good, and also when times are hard. Pray that those who are struggling will be able to say: Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me, when the world's 'all as it should be', blessed be Your name. And blessed be Your name. On the road marked with suffering, though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.  
*Norfolk Road*
- 16 Please pray for Garry Ion, as he returns to Uganda after spending Christmas in Cumbria. Pray for good health, and safety as he travels around Uganda to various hospital and school building projects he is overseeing.  
*Goschen Road*
- 17 Pray for wisdom and discernment for Santa as she explores the possibility of starting a new ministry amongst the Bosniac people of Montenegro, an unreached group of Muslims.  
*Talbot Road*
- 18 Pray for the work of Tearfund, and their partners the Pentecostal Assemblies of God (PAG) in Uganda, as they elect new leaders. Pray that God will give them the wisdom to elect the correct people who will be empowered with the Holy Spirit to master God's word, and good skills to empower their churches and communities. Pray for continued peace in Uganda, that PAG staff will be able to travel and do the work of God safely.  
*Yew Tree Court*
- 19 Give thanks for the families who attend Messy Church. Pray for a greater sense of belonging, and that those who attend will grow in their relationship with God.  
*Empire Road*
- 20 Pray for Simon and Julie preaching today. Pray for those who find it difficult to attend services, the house bound, the sick, and the elderly.  
*East Norfolk Street*
- 21 Pray for the Fletcher family and their team as they regather after Christmas - pray for vision and hope as they plan for the coming year. Pray that the adoption process will be quickly completed, and that through their interactions with their neighbours, there would be opportunity for compassionate encounters but also spiritual breakthroughs, so that Jesus would make himself known.  
*East Dale Street*
- 22 Pray for the PCC meeting tonight, for fresh vision, and a sense of purpose and hope. Pray that in 2019 we will see a fresh move of