

food and other essentials to people who need it most. *Wellbank Place*

23. Dear Lord, as we emerge from lockdown, a time when travel was severely restricted in order to preserve life by limiting the spread of coronavirus, may we consider the impact our normal travel by car, plane and ship has on the environment, and take the necessary steps to play our part in protecting this beautiful world you have created. *Norfolk Street*

24. The UK Agape staff who would have gone to Russia for a summer outreach program, but instead are involved from a distance, setting up coaching appointments with students that the Russian ministry connects them to. Pray for these friendships to be filled with God-appointed conversations about the gospel, and stamina for lots of screen time. *Norfolk Terrace*

25. We pray for the Leadership teams within the Langham programmes as they seek new ways of delivering their objectives. We pray for our Langham Scholars as they try to focus on their studies when there will so many other concerns to contend with. We also pray for the publication of new books and the ability to distribute these under current restrictions. *Norfolk Court*

26. Pray for pupils and teachers as they prepare for the start of a new school year in September. Pray for those starting school for the first time, or

moving to a new school, particularly Ella and Henri. *Denton Holme Student Village*

27. Whatever the tasks of our week, wherever we are, pray that God will work through us, and that we will bear fruit for his Kingdom. *Norfolk Road*

28. Ask God to give you a fresh revelation of His love, and a new anointing of His Holy Spirit. Pray for the safety of the cornerstone and OpShop team during the Covid19 pandemic, and that it will continue to prosper. *Goschen Road*

29. In previous years we have held a community fun day at the Parish Centre at the end of August, although this is not possible this year, pray for God's blessing to be upon the community at large. *Talbot Road*

30. Pray for the church's ministry to children and families, and in particular that God will grant wisdom to Kate and Ruth as they lead this ministry. *Yew Tree Court*

31. Ask God to bring to your mind someone who could do with a word of encouragement today. *Empire Road*



Prayer Diary August 2020

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1. Pray for those participating in New Wine Breakout, which runs until the 3rd August. Pray that this time of teaching and worship will strengthen and encourage God's church in a time of great change and uncertainty. *Caldew Road*
2. Pray for safety and protection for all those who will be going on holiday this month. Pray that they may return refreshed and renewed. *The Crescent*
3. Pray that this summer will be a good time for Cumbria's tourism industry, and that it will help make up for the heavy losses sustained as a result of the lockdown. *Gilbert Road*
4. Pray for the impact coronavirus has had on people's mental health, and pray that those who are struggling with their mental health will get the support they need. *The Oval*
5. Please pray that Santa's Montenegrin residence permit would be finalised soon, with this her plans can go ahead for operating as a company and bringing in craft supplies from outside the country. The process of getting the permit has required repeated visits to government offices, inadequate social distancing and a second spike of corona virus there makes this risky. *Margery Terrace*
6. Pray for Nina and her family, Nigel, Daniel, Ella and Henri, as they move from their home in London to Carlisle. Pray that the move goes smoothly, and that they are surrounded by God's peace in this

time of tremendous change.
Cummersdale Road

7. Praise God! Bow Fletch has been accepted into Bangkok Prep, the same school as Elliot and Sam. Jon and Elise write 'We are convinced that this is the best learning environment for her and amazed that she passed the assessments because she has made so much progress already! Pray that the school will look favourably on our request for reduced school fees. Elliot and Sam are already on a 70% bursary but it is still so expensive. Pray that God will find givers who want to support our kids education.' *Richardson Street*
8. The United Nations report that world is witnessing the highest levels of displacement on record, with 70.8 million people forced from their homes by conflict and persecution, and around 30 million refugees (half under the age of 18). Pray that the international community will not turn a blind eye to this crisis, and that the millions of stateless people, and refugees will get the support their desperately need. *Sowerby Court*
9. The Fletchers are taking a family holiday during August, pray that it will be a time for rest and refreshment after a particularly stressful few months. Pray for the Royrak project, with new staff, relaunch of sales, good team working. Pray for continued energy and that the Fletchers will keep their eyes on the vision of lifting up the marginalised. *Dalston Road*
10. Pray for Nina and the family as today they move in St Luke's vicarage. Pray that they will feel very much at home here in Carlisle, and that they will all quickly settle and make new friends, especially Daniel, Ella and Henri. *Constable Street*
11. Garry Ion writes: 'I ask for continued prayers for friends in East Africa and South Sudan. The coronavirus impacts in many different ways. Travel restrictions have prevented desperately needed aid getting to South Sudanese refugees in northern Uganda. On the other side of the border, in South Sudan, rebels attacked and plundered the diocese of Kajo Kejie's bible college, last week. Although no one was killed, thousands of pounds of equipment including computers and solar panels were stolen. This lawlessness prevents communities moving home, prolonging misery in refugee camps. I also ask for your prayers as I settle back home in Cumbria. The lockdown has allowed me to have quality time with parents who are keeping well. Please pray for the Lord's clear direction on my future.' *Frederick Street*
12. Please pray for Radio Hamdam, Hamsayeh International's internet radio in Farsi, reaching listeners in some of the most persecuted countries worldwide. Pray for Amir who sources the content and conducts two live, weekly discussions. One is aimed at the unbeliever and the other at strengthening the Christian. Both sessions have been well received so please pray for 'blind eyes to see' & for the church to deepen in their faith. *Clarence Street*
13. Pray for students receiving their A Level results today, and for those who will be going onto study at college or university, and those going into apprenticeships or looking for employment. *Holme Head Way*
14. Pray for our link church in Sola, Norway, as they prepare to move into their new church building. Give thanks that this project has been able to proceed despite the disruption caused by coronavirus. *Prescott Road*
15. Pray that God will reveal His will for St James, and the community that he has called us to serve. Pray for all those who live in Denton Holme and Longsowerby. *Waldegrave Road*
16. As Britain faces a deep recession, pray for all those who are anxious about their jobs, the unemployed and under employed and those on zero hour contracts. Pray for the prosperity of our city, for new investment and creation of jobs. *Longsowerby Road*
17. Pray for the work of Cornerstone, and the Op Shop, for Andy, Katie and the team of volunteers, especially in the challenging circumstances they are operating in at present. Pray that those who visit Cornerstone will discover a warm Christian welcome. *Percy Road*
18. Pray for those in church leadership within our own parish, our Mission Community, and the diocese. Pray for Bishop James and Bishop Emma as they steer the diocese through significant challenges and changes. Pray for Stephen Cottrell who has succeeded John Sentamu as Archbishop of York. *Diggle Road*
19. Pray for the community of Cummersdale, and that God will open up new opportunities to reach and serve this community so that we may see people come to faith. Pray that we may be able to provide a strong, vibrant worshipping Christian presence in the village, that draws people to Christ. *Ferguson Road*
20. Pray for GCSE students receiving their exam results today, especially from St James Tomek, Beth and Ella. *Ferguson Place*
21. Please pray for a man who contacted the Hamsayeh Facebook page one evening intent on ending his life. After a long conversation with Amir, sharing his troubled past and current troubles he promised that he wouldn't do it but would instead read Mark's Gospel. He's an avid follower of the Radio, but pray that he would become an ardent follower of Jesus. *Wellbank*
22. Please pray for the people in South Sudan affected by the coronavirus outbreak and for the Tearfund team on the frontline working in challenging circumstances providing