

## **Tuesday 30th**

The sick, bereaved and lonely are always with us, so please pray for those needing a touch from God today.

## **Wednesday 31st**

Please pray for the needs of Jonathan Bugg and others in training for ministry at the College in Cardiff, (see below).

Contributions for the prayer diary should be sent to john.stansfield5@btinternet.com or left in the pigeonhole in the foyer by 7<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## **THOUGHT OF THE MONTH**

Jonathan Bugg is in training for ministry at Cardiff Baptist College. Here is his prayer request:

"Write a few words about what my prayer needs are", John said. That got me thinking about it for the first time really.

There is of course, all the obvious studying I have to do for college. There is the fact that I have been "placed" in Calvary Church in Canton to provide me with a more broad experience of Church. I am also due to preach at least once every other Sunday until June. All of these I would value your prayers for.

There is the fact that in following the call of God on my life, I have taken my family from one way of life to quite a different way. Although I am reassured that they are fully behind me, I would value it if I knew they were in turn being supported in your prayers (especially Catherine who on top of being Wife and Mother has now taken on the role of head proof reader)

My main request however is this: That I not only continue to spend quality time with God but that I also continue to grow from doing so. It is so easy to forget to spend time with him in all this. I know why I am at college and want to serve him well but, it is easy to forget to just slow down, read my bible specifically to hear my Lord speak to me. It is easy to forget to just sit in quiet meditation on his word or converse with him in prayer.

So I would ask that if you will, you pray for my studies and development. Support Catherine and the family in prayer, affording them all the heavenly protection they need, and pray that my prayer life may flourish and that God's word remains exciting. For I know that all my effort will amount to nothing if I am not in the centre of his will.

Thank you and God bless you.

Jonathan

# tabernacle : penarth

purpose : to reflect God's love in  
our church, community and world

## prayer diary : march 2010

"Pray without ceasing"

*1 Thesalonians 5:17*

This month, my comment which I wish to add to John Stansfield's prayer diary is simple. PRAY! We have a large number of people who are seriously ill and in need of our prayers, who of course we must not forget. But would you also add to your daily prayers the Tent Mission please? We have been given the green light by the local authority, by others involved on the cliff top, and by Cytûn. We have been told that the Vale Council will approve our temporary event licence request. The most important thing to do now is pray, without ceasing, for God's blessing on the event.

**Pastor Roger**

### **Monday 1st**

As St David gets celebrated by people all over Wales, let us remember that David was involved in mission in a hostile land. God blessed his ministry so let us give thanks for Welsh heritage and for those who went before to bring the gospel to Wales.

### **Tuesday 2nd**

Spring is just round the corner and everything will be bursting into life over the next few weeks. Let us give thanks to God for the provision of food and all the needs of the body which He gives to each one of us every day.

### **Wednesday 3rd**

Please pray for all members of the Leadership Council as they meet today to consider the work of Tabernacle.

### **Thursday 4th**

Please pray for the work of Cytûn which this year is led by Teddy Kalongo minister of Trinity, and known to Tabs' congregation. Think of efforts at Christian unity and mutual service.

### **Friday 5th**

Christine Haggitt is in college in Glasgow training for future ministry. Please remember Christine's needs: prayer, fellowship, financial and otherwise.

### **Saturday 6th**

Prison Fellowship visit prisons and take services where ever there is opportunity. Please pray for the team from Tabs going regularly to Cardiff and other prisons.

### **Sunday 7th**

Today let us give thanks for stewards, musicians, technical team, pastors, planners, baby minders and all who give their time and talent to make worship in Tabs happen each week.

### **Monday 8th**

Please pray for the Methodist churches in Penarth, Albert Road, Trinity and Dinas Powys. Pray for their outreach, vision and ministry in the town.

### **Tuesday 9th**

Please pray today for those young people who have no one to look out for them. Think of young people who have run away from home, young offenders, children in homes, lonely students and many more who need the love of Jesus in their lives.

### **Wednesday 10th**

Pete Hodge is an evangelist and children's worker based in Cardiff. Pete works with Open Air Campaigners to do street evangelism and train younger men to do the same. Please pray for Pete and the outreaches in local schools and colleges.

### **Thursday 11th**

Pray for the small groups, Alpha groups and other prayer/study groups i.e. Lent Groups meeting on Thursdays. Pray that Jesus may be honoured in these groups.

### **Friday 12th**

On Friday nights Xtreme and Beyond Xtreme cater for young teenagers, many from non church homes. Please pray for fun for all and good leadership.

### **Saturday 13th**

If you know someone who is bereaved, or someone who is about to die, ask God to comfort them today.

### **Sunday 14th**

Today is Mothering Sunday, so please pray for all Mums, Grand mums and other special ladies.

### **Monday 15th**

Environmental concerns and Fairtrade campaigns often go hand in hand. Please pray for those who seek to bring fair trade practices to the market place and who seek to improve the environment along the way.

### **Tuesday 16th**

Support for Romania is the charity with which Ray Saunders & co have been taking lorries of goods to children's homes for a long time. Please remember this and other groups who seek to help children in East European countries.

### **Wednesday 17th**

Please pray for those who lead and participate in the weekly communion service. This is a chance to step aside from the business of everyday life and reflect upon the miracle of Calvary.

### **Thursday 18th**

Please pray for the leaders of the small groups having a few weeks off while Lent groups run. Pray for them to know God better in their leadership roles.

### **Friday 19th**

Please pray for those who pick up the pieces off the streets on weekend nights: police, ambulance crews, casualty dept staff, Street Pastors and family members dragged into bother not of their own making.

### **Saturday 20th**

Please remember to pray for the needs of yourself and family, give thanks for good things and plead with God for not so good.

### **Sunday 21st**

Let us think of all the joy which has been shared in past worship, and ask God to increase our joy 'In Him' today as worship takes place in Tabs and other places where we may have an interest.

### **Monday 22nd**

Visiting the housebound, sick and sick at heart is a special job and needs much care, love, wisdom and patience. Pray for the Pastoral Care Team as they do this job behind the scenes.

### **Tuesday 23rd**

Please pray for Gemma Humphreys as she performs the task of church administrator and general organiser.

### **Wednesday 24th**

Please pray for Roger Grafton as he leads the church in worship and ministry. Please remember Roger in all the details and also the larger picture of ministry in the community.

### **Thursday 25th**

Please pray for Judy Cook working in Thailand at the Agape children's home in Chiang-Mai. Judy mentions the Hope care home for children, please pray for the ministry amongst sick and abandoned children.

### **Friday 26th**

Here's a Wycliffe item:

"As you read your Bible today please remember to pray for the 200 million people who don't even have a verse in their language, and for the Wycliffe Bible Translators who are working to change this." (Cedric & Helen Longville)

### **Saturday 27th**

Please remember the Men's Convention at St David's Hall Cardiff with Charles Price, Lindsay Brown and Graham Daniels, being held today.

### **Sunday 28th (Palm Sunday)**

There will be a Tabs led service at Bethel House today. Please pray for all involved.

### **Monday 29th**

Please pray for the Church Meeting which will take place this evening. Please give prayerful consideration as to what you could contribute to the debate. Pray for any younger members who may wish to express a point of view.