



Partnership in Prayer

Saturday 1st September

07:15 – 07:45 and 12:00 – 12:30

please refer also to the notes page for this slide



Biblical focus for our praying

I'd love just to put down the whole of Philippians as our guide to praying today, but that would take too much time. Let me suggest some verses from the letter which emphasize key points to guide our prayers. Don't be afraid to use Scripture in our prayers – correctly used we can know we're praying in accordance with God's revealed will.

Philippians 1 THANKSGIVING AND CONFIDENCE IN GOD FOR THE FUTURE

³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE IN THE LIGHT OF THE FUTURE

⁹ And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, ¹⁰ so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless **until the day of Christ**, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

PRAYER IS EFFECTIVE

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, ¹⁹ for I know that through your prayers and the help given by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance.

CONFIDENCE IN THE GOSPEL

²⁷ Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel ²⁸ without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you.

And don't forget chapters 2 and 3!!

Philippians 4 OUR ATTITUDE AS WE PRAY, AND WHAT GOD DOES AS WE PRAY

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

¹⁹ ... my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

THE ULTIMATE AIM

²⁰ To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Praying for Partnership

Thank God for

- ▶ the workers He has provided for us in our ministry of encouraging churches to network for mission, especially our regional coordinators



Andrew Conlan
South West
&
Team Leader



Phil Davies
Wales



Andy Dykes
North West



John Jenkins
London &
South East



Simon Ladd
East Anglia



Catherine Stone
Administrator

- ▶ those who have served and continue to serve on board and council, and particularly the new director trustees



Tim Cracknell



Mark Davies



Beth Dickson



Alistair Hornal
formerly
National Coordinator

- ▶ the resources we have at our disposal, including the printed resources, both print and digital, and pray that we will make good use of them.

Ask God as we give thanks to give us confidence in Him
that He will do what He has promised (Phil 1:6)

Praying for Partnership

Pray

- ▶ that we will each have a love for Christ and His church and grow in that love, expressing it both individually and corporately
- ▶ for wisdom and vision for the board and council as we seek to steer the organisation in the direction the Lord wants us to take
- ▶ for the continuing development of existing regional networks - that they will engage not just in talking but in mission together, and that as networks grow they will multiply, with churches being revitalised and new churches planted
- ▶ for the growth of the church as each member of the body interconnects with the others, and each plays its part – partnering in mission.



partnership in giving

2 Corinthians 8:1-15, 9:6-15

Giving

Some of you responded to our letter back in May immediately and we were the recipients of some sacrificial giving, for which we thank God. For others there has been an opportunity to consider and perhaps consult with church leaders about your response.

Today is a key day to give if this is where God is leading you in response to the expressed need.

As a measure of what we could do with any gifts received, £8000 would enable us to fund a regional coordinator in the North East of England, For £1500 we could fund an extra day per month of work with local church leaders, partnering in the gospel, developing and promoting local networking - practical encouragement in sometimes lonely places.

You can make your gift by **cheque**, payable to **Partnership(UK) Ltd** and sent to:

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