

Prayer in Family Groups Tuesday October 4th

Read Psalm 23 together

(Use the video with music & images on the website, or pass a bible around)

Speak out things which God has provided for you, inspired by the Psalm

Pray for anybody in need in your family group, friends, family

Pray for Ozzy Road: youth, children, schools ministry

(maybe ask a couple of people to pray for each section?)

Youth:

- Give thanks for the group who went to Soul Survivor
- Pray for our young people to grow in their Christian lives and feel part of our church family
- Pray for more young people to come to Toast and Church
- Give thanks for our youth leaders, and those who have invested in them in the past

Children:

- Give thanks for our children and the part they play in the life of our church
- Pray that they will come to know Jesus and grow in their faith
- Pray and give thanks for our junior church leaders
- Pray for the leaders of kids club and messy church
- Pray that more families will become part of our church family

Schools:

- Give thanks for the opportunities we have been given in local schools
- Pray for: St James' Infants, St James' Juniors, Rosehill Infants, Pear Tree School and Firs Estate School in Stockbrook
- Ask that assemblies, ICT clubs, craft clubs, prayer spaces, open the book (at Firs) and tea time club (at Pear Tree) will be a blessing to the schools and the children
- Pray that more of the children will come to kids club and church

Read together the blessing prayer for our city

(Use the video with pictures and timings, or read it from below)

Finish by naming one thing in the national/international news and pray the prayer "your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven"

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Blessing to the city of Derby

Our God who is gracious, compassionate, slow to become angry and abounding in love; we come to you this day in the name of Father, Son and Holy Spirit to pray for the City of Derby.

We bless you in the Name of the Lord. We bless your family relationships and friendships that they may be strong, whole and loving. May peace and understanding flow between generations.

We bless your health that you may be strong and well. To any who are sick right now we say we bless you in Jesus' name with a speedy recovery. [name anybody who is unwell....]

We bless your wealth that you may have plenty to replace poverty. May you to have enough to live and enough to give. [name anybody who is worried about work or finance...]

We bless the Residential Homes for the elderly, may they be places of love, care and dignity. [name places or people to bless in relation to this...]

We bless Nurseries, Schools, colleges and universities. May they be places which enrich our future. [name schools/teachers/children...]

We bless people who work and volunteer to help those who are in need. May the gap between rich and poor in our city reduce. May justice and righteousness be found in our city.

We bless all who seek to bring peace where there is conflict. May God's Kingdom come and His will done in Derby. May the people of our city be loving, generous and full of God's grace.

We pray for your Church, its leaders, its unity and commitment to your mission. May it live to worship pray and magnify your Holy Name; Father Son and Holy Spirit.

We ask all this in the name of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen