



## **Churches Together in Shirley and District**

### **A Prayer Guide – March 2016**

This guide gives a list of the activities going on across our churches with suggested prayers for each of them. It is so encouraging to see the breadth of these activities; we need to cover each of them with prayer if we are to see the fullness of God's blessing on them.

*For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Eph 2:10*

It's good to thank God for all those people who work hard serving him in these ventures and to ask for his Spirit to refresh and enable them in their work.

*Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will and may he work in us what is pleasing to him through Jesus Christ to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen Heb 13:20-21*

We also need to pray in all sorts of different ways for the Holy Spirit to guide and work through all these endeavours, so that we can see people's lives touched by God and coming to Christ.

*I urge then, first of all, that petitions prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people ..... This is good and pleases God our Saviour who wants all people to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth. 1 Tim 2 1, 3-4*

The list below gives information about many of the activities that our churches are doing in our area, but there are others, which do not appear on the lists of individual churches:

Let's pray for the annual CTiS events – our united service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in January, that it will be a great celebration of the previous year and an opportunity to re-commit ourselves to work together to build the Kingdom of God in our area - the Good Friday and Christmas services in Shirley precinct that they will be powerful acts of witness to the good news of the gospel in our community.

There are also many house groups and discipleship groups that run each week. Let's pray for the leaders of these groups that they will have strength and wisdom for their task and that God will fill them afresh with his Holy Spirit. May the groups be places of strengthening and encouraging of God's people. During the past year we have been joined by representatives from the New Community Church, Southampton. They are a city-wide church, but have a number of their members living in the Shirley area and

have local house groups here. We thank God for all these people and their important contribution to the church in our area. We pray for God's blessing on them as individuals, and also on the local groups.

We should also give thanks for the great opportunity that we have to go into schools and present lessons, assemblies and other activities to the children. Let's pray for the Collective Worship Team, who coordinate much of this activity and also run other events outside of the school, such as the Light Party, the Easter Experience and the Holiday Club. We can pray too for School Pastors who provide pastoral support in our schools and for other individual opportunities we have as churches in this area. May they be a means of children being reached with the good news of the gospel and being drawn to know Christ.

Let's also commit our future direction as the church in Shirley into God's hands. As we look at the list of our activities, where are the gaps? Where is God leading us into new initiatives? Are there any avenues where we can fruitfully work together? One idea that has emerged is the value of having subgroups focussed on different areas. The Collective Worship Team for example are working very effectively in local schools and organising events for children. Let's pray for the subgroup looking at youth work in the area, which has recently been established; that it will prove fruitful in developing that area of our church life and our contribution into the community. Let's pray too that God will guide us to new areas where we can bring in the Kingdom of God.

May this guide encourage us all to pray for one another and so share in this great work to which we've been called – to be the body of Christ in Shirley.

*By this all men will know that you are my disciples; if you love one another. John 13:35*

Further details on our activities can be found in the Directory of CTiS Activities which is available via our website [www.ctis-southampton.co.uk](http://www.ctis-southampton.co.uk)

## **Christ Church Freemantle**

### **Activities**

<b>Who is it for?</b>	<b>Name of Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	Parish Communion with Sunday School
Church Meeting	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Midweek communion service
Church Meeting	<b>Sung Evensong</b>	Formal evensong service

## Prayer Items

We thank you for the weekly meetings of Christ Church Freemantle. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the appointment of Rev Angi Nutt, who has recently started as the Vicar Of Christ Church. We pray that she will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for the task of leading the church and that you will guide her in all she does. We also pray for the churchwardens and others in the leadership team, that they will have strength and wisdom for their roles.

## Elim Christian Centre

### Activities

Who is it for?	Name of Activity	Description
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Explorers</b>	Children's club (6-11 years)
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Tots &amp; Co</b>	Parent and toddler group
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	Morning Service with separate activities for junior church and youth
Church Meeting	<b>Worship/prayer meeting</b>	Worship and prayer
Everyone	<b>Oasis</b>	Meal for anyone who wants to come along
Youth	<b>Connected</b>	Youth Club

### Prayer items

We thank you for the weekly meetings of Elim Christian Centre in Freemantle. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of Elim Christian Centre, Rev Brian Wallis. We pray that he will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for his task of leading the church and that you will guide him in all he does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We pray for Elim Christian Centre. We thank you for the work they do among children, for the Tots and Co. group for preschool children and for the Explorers for juniors. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the work of Elim Christian Centre with young people. We thank you for the Connected youth group as it goes through a transition phase. We pray that you

will guide them as to the future of the club and that they will provide a good grounding in the Christian faith for their own young people and also be successful in reaching other young people in their area with the good news of Jesus.

We pray for the Oasis event providing a meal for anyone who wants to come along. We pray that it will be an opportunity for people to enjoy sharing a meal with others and that it will help build good links in the local community.

## **Freemantle Baptist Church**

### **Activities**

<b>Who is it for?</b>	<b>Name of Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Livewires</b>	Children's club for key stage 1 children, siblings and parents
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Bubbles</b>	Parent and toddler group
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Flowerpots</b>	Parent and toddler group
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b>	Worship with Junior church activity groups. Communion on the third Sunday of the month
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Evening Worship</b>	First and third Sundays of the month – first Sunday communion, third Sunday – informal gathering
Everyone	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	Coffee and chat
Social Action	<b>Christians Against Poverty Drop in</b>	CAP Drop in session offering debt help

### **Prayer items**

We thank you for the weekly meetings of Freemantle Baptist Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of Freemantle Baptist Church, Rev. Linda Hayes. We pray that she will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for her task of leading the church and that you will guide her in all she does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom and that they will be a good support for Linda.

We pray for Freemantle Baptist Church. We thank you for the work they do among children, for the Bubbles and Flowerpots groups for preschool children and for the Livewires group 4-7 year olds and parents. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the Coffee Morning run by Freemantle Baptist Church giving people the opportunity to come together for coffee and a chat. We pray that it will develop fellowship among members of the church and also be a means of introducing people outside the church to the message of Jesus.

We thank you for the Christians Against Poverty drop in centre run each week by Freemantle Baptist Church. We pray that people who need help in this area will hear about the centre and come along to receive the help they need. Please give wisdom to those providing the advice.

## **Freemantle United Reformed Church**

### **Activities**

<b>Who is it for?</b>	<b>Name of Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	Sunday church service
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Brownies</b>	Junior age girls group
Social Action	<b>Southampton Sunday Lunch Project</b>	A free hot lunch is offered to individuals who are homeless, disadvantaged, alone, etc. in a warm and safe environment
Youth	<b>Girl Guides</b>	Activities for girls aged 10-14
Everyone	<b>Badminton and Table Tennis Club</b>	Club for all ages and abilities
Everyone	<b>Repair Cafe</b>	Service for repairing small items together with provision of refreshments

### **Prayer items**

We thank you for Freemantle United Reformed Church. We pray that their weekly meetings will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of Freemantle United Reformed Church, Rev Dr Sarah Hall. We pray that she will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for the task of leading the four churches for which she is responsible. Please guide her in all she does. We also pray for the leadership team in the church that you will fill them with strength and wisdom, so that they are a real support Sarah.

We pray for Pat Oliver the Community Minister serving the United Reformed Churches in our area. We pray that she will be a great support to the work that they already do in the community and will be guided by your Holy Spirit to take this area of church ministry forward in the future.

We thank you for the work of Freemantle United Reformed Church for children in our area, with the Brownies. We pray for the people who run this group that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that it will have excellent activities.

We thank you for the work of Freemantle United Reformed Church for young people in our area, with the Girl Guides. We pray for the people who run this group that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that it will have excellent activities.

We thank you for the work of the Southampton Sunday Lunch Project hosted at Freemantle United Reformed Church, which provides food for the homeless. We pray for the people that work for the project, that you will fill them with strength and help them see Jesus in those they serve.

We thank you for the repair café at Freemantle United Reformed Church, which gives people the opportunity to repair small items and enjoy refreshments. We pray for those running the initiative and for people bringing items that they will not only benefit from the opportunity of being together with others but also act as stewards of God's creation.

We thank you for the badminton and table tennis club run by Freemantle United Reformed Church. We pray that it will develop fellowship among members of the church and also be a means of introducing people outside the church to the message of Jesus.

### **Specific items for prayer**

For church members struggling with family difficulties, that they may experience Jesus as the one who carries their burdens.

For the theatre group associated with Freemantle URC, that through creativity and fellowship they might discern the working of God's spirit.

For all those who hire our building - the Alcoholic Anonymous groups, Rock Choir, Lingotots and Baby Sensory - plus all the group leaders, who have made recent enquiries and possible new bookings for their groups, that we may welcome them as God welcomes us.

### **Hope Family Church**

#### **Activities**

<b>Who is it for?</b>	<b>Name of Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	Congregational meeting with worship band
Everyone	<b>Coffee Morning with Healing Rooms</b>	Coffee and opportunity for people to receive prayer

Social Action	<b>Healing on the Streets</b>	Praying for people on the streets
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### Prayer items

Lord we thank you for your presence at Hope Family Church, and we ask for more of your heart and for more of your love to be revealed week by week. May the congregation be inspired by your Word to walk really closely with Jesus.

We thank you for the leaders of Hope Family Church, Michael and Margaret Rothery. We ask for your anointing, wisdom and guidance for them. We pray also for the Alun and Donna Leppitt in their work of co-ordinating Global Awakening in Europe. We pray you will keep them in good health and bless them in their task of encouraging your church across Europe to feel a fresh touch of your Holy Spirit. We also pray for the rest of the church leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

Hope Family Church has recently emerged from a coming together of Bridge Christian Fellowship and Emmanuel Church. We pray that you will give wisdom and grace as the two groups seek to walk together, and that you will pour out your blessing upon the new community.

We thank you for the work of Hope Family Church in praying for people for healing and particularly for the weekly coffee morning and healing rooms. We pray for the people who are involved in praying that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit and that people coming for prayer will be healed and drawn closer to God as a result.

Bless you Father, for those who minister at 'Healing on the Streets' in Shirley Precinct on a Saturday morning, would you fill them and strengthen them to bring your healing and restoration to the residents of Shirley. We ask, Lord, for more healings, more encounters and more salvations in Shirley Precinct.

### Isaac Watts United Reformed Church

#### Activities

Who is it for?	Name of Activity	Description
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Boys Brigade</b>	Activities for boys aged 5-11
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Girls Brigade</b>	Activities for girls aged 5-11
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	Sunday church service (includes Junior Church)
Seniors	<b>Community Lunch Club</b>	Lunch for seniors

Youth	<b>Boys Brigade</b>	Boys activities for age 12-18
Youth	<b>Girls Brigade</b>	Activities for girls aged 12-18
Youth	<b>Youth Group</b>	Youth group

### **Prayer items**

We thank you for the Isaac Watts United Reformed Church. We pray that their weekly meetings will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of Isaac Watts United Reformed Church, Rev Tim Searle. We pray that he will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for the task of leading the two churches for which he is responsible. Please guide him in all he does. We also pray for the leadership team in the church, that you will fill them with strength and wisdom and that they will be a real support to Tim.

We pray for Pat Oliver the Community Minister serving the United Reformed Churches. We pray that she will be a great support to the work that they already do in the community and will be guided by your Holy Spirit to take this area of church ministry forward in the future.

We thank you for the work of Isaac Watts United Reformed Church with children in our area, running both the Boy's and Girl's Brigade. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will be excellent activities, and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the work of Isaac Watts United Reformed Church with young people in our area, running both the Boys and Girls Brigade and a youth group. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will be excellent activities and that the young people will come to faith in Christ through them.

We thank you for the work of the Isaac Watts United Reformed Church running the lunch club for seniors. We pray that you will give strength to the people that organise this event and that they will provide a place of encouragement and friendship for older people.

### **Specific Items for Prayer**

Please pray for the success of our monthly prayer meeting that it will help us as a congregation to prayerfully consider our future and to seek out God's will and vision for us as part of the wider community.

As an ageing congregation please pray for the elderly, infirmed and housebound of our church family. For those waiting for treatment, those moving in and out of hospital, and for those who are fearful of the future.



## Shirley Baptist Church

### Activities

Who is it for?	Name of Activity	Description
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Brownies</b>	Junior age girls group
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Wacky Wednesdays</b>	Fun time for boys and girls in years reception to 3 with games, craft, activities and a Bible story
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Wild Wild Wednesdays</b>	Fun time for boys and girls in years 4-6 with games, crafts, activities and a Bible story
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Speckled Frogs</b>	Parent and toddler group
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	Morning Worship with Fire! Activity groups for babies to teens
Church Meeting	<b>Praise at 4</b>	Songs of praise followed by sit down tea
Everyone	<b>Mini Market</b>	Sale of goods and refreshments
Everyone	<b>Modified Pilates</b>	Pilates is a mind-body conditioning exercise programme
Everyone	<b>Get Together</b>	Social afternoon with activities
Everyone	<b>Open for Coffee</b>	Coffee morning
Families	<b>Messy Church</b>	Informal church for families
Ladies	<b>Ladies Evening Fellowship</b>	Speaker plus refreshments
Ladies	<b>M and M Ladies Group</b>	Activities plus refreshments
Seniors	<b>Friday Friendship Club</b>	Social gathering principally for the elderly including entertainment
Seniors	<b>Holiday at home</b>	Two-day event aimed at the elderly not able to get away for a holiday - includes activities, cooked lunch and tea
Seniors	<b>Luncheon Club</b>	Group meal for those who would normally eat alone
Social Action	<b>New Dawn Child Contact Centre</b>	Service enabling children and parents to meet up following a separation
Social Action	<b>Singing for the Brain</b>	Sessions for dementia sufferers and their carers
Youth	<b>Friday Night Takeaway</b>	Social gathering for years 7-9 (11-14 year olds) with activities and a short discussion around a Bible story
Youth	<b>The .club</b>	Youth Club run jointly with the Salvation Army for years 8-13 (13-18 year olds)

## **Prayer items**

We thank you for the weekly meetings of Shirley Baptist Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of Shirley Baptist Church, Pastor Shaun Sweeney. We pray that he will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for his task of leading the church and that you will guide him in all he does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We pray for the work of Shirley Baptist Church with children and for Jo Snape who leads these activities. We thank you for the Speckled Frogs group for preschool children, Wacky Wednesdays for school children up to year 3 and for the Brownies and Wild Wild Wednesdays for juniors. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the work of Shirley Baptist Church with young people. We pray for the Friday Night Takeaway and the .Club, run jointly with the Salvation Army. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit that they will run excellent activities and that the young people will come to faith in Christ through them.

We pray for the Messy Church run by Shirley Baptist Church. We pray that this will be successful in getting families to come along and that people will come to know you as a result.

We thank you for the social activities run by Shirley Baptist Church. We pray that they will develop fellowship among members of the church and also be a means of introducing people outside the church to the message of Jesus.

We pray for the work of Shirley Baptist Church among senior citizens. We thank you for regular Luncheon Club and Friday Friendship Club and pray that they will provide a place of encouragement and friendship for older people. We thank you too for the annual Holiday at Home event – that it will be a good break for those not able to get away on holiday themselves.

We thank you for the work of the New Dawn Centre that enables parents and children to meet up following a marriage separation. We pray that they will be able to bring encouragement to families undergoing difficulties.

We thank you for the Singing for the Brain sessions that take place at Shirley Baptist Church. We pray that these will be a great encouragement to the dementia sufferers who attend and to their carers.

## **Specific Items for Prayer**

Thank God for the contact with families in our community through Toddlers, the midweek clubs and Messy Church.

Pray for God's provision for helpers to meet the needs of the children's and youth groups and for His strength and guidance to sustain the teams.

## **Shirley Parish Church**

### **Activities**

<b>Who is it for?</b>	<b>Name of activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Light Party</b>	Annual family party as an alternative to Halloween
Children (under 5 years)	<b>The Ark</b>	Parent and toddler group
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Service Church</b>	A service of Holy Communion following the Book of Common Prayer or Common Worship services with Morning Prayer once a month
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Service Church</b>	A relaxed, informal service with a wide range of ages attending. Music led by a band. Includes Crèche and Junior Church for 0-11 years
Everyone	<b>Alpha/Christianity Explored</b>	Enquirer courses for people wanting to find out more about the Christian faith
Families	<b>Superstars</b>	Breakfast, activities and Bible stories for families of primary school aged children
Ladies	<b>Ladies Netball</b>	Fun netball games open to all ladies
Ladies	<b>Sat Navs</b>	Walking group for ladies
Men	<b>Men in Boots</b>	Walking group for men
Men	<b>Christian Vision for Men – Shirley Parish Church Group</b>	Outreach group for men with range of activities
Seniors	<b>New Evergreens Luncheon Club</b>	A hot 2 course meal for 60s + followed by bingo.
Seniors	<b>New Evergreens</b>	A social time, usually with a speaker for 60s +
Seniors	<b>Rest Homes Ministry</b>	Monthly service in 2 local rest homes for residents, carers and families
Seniors	<b>Sunday at 3</b>	A Songs of Praise style service for seniors.

Social Action	<b>Friends of St James Park</b>	Providing effective use of St James Park
Social Action	<b>SAFE</b>	SAFE helps isolated and disadvantaged people rethink their lives and find new ways forward. It helps them progress into work or further learning, and grow in confidence, self esteem and health
Social Action	<b>SCRATCH (Southampton City and Region Action to Combat Hardship)</b>	SCRATCH relieves the effects of poverty for families and individuals with needs recognised by approved referral agencies in Southampton and surrounding area
Social Action	<b>Christians Against Poverty Course</b>	Course on budget management
Youth	<b>BUZZ.connect</b>	Bible - Prayer - Friendship for school years 9+
Youth	<b>BUZZ.ignite</b>	Games, team building and teaching for school years 7 & 8
Youth	<b>BUZZ.live</b>	Youth Service for school years 9+

### Prayer items

We thank you for the weekly meetings of the Shirley Parish Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of Shirley Parish Church, Rev Dan Clark. We pray that he will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for his task of leading the church and that you will guide him in all he does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We pray for Shirley Parish Church. We thank you for the work they do among children, for the Ark for preschool children and Superstars and Light Party for primary school children. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the Buzz activities run for young people by Shirley Parish Church. We pray for Matt and Amy Bianchi who lead the group and the team of people who help them. Please fill them with your Holy Spirit that they will run excellent activities and that the young people will come to faith in Christ through them.

We thank you for the social activities run by Shirley Parish Church. We pray that they will develop the fellowship among members of the church and also be a means of introducing people outside the church to the message of Jesus.

We pray for the work of Shirley Parish Church among senior citizens. We thank you for the Luncheon Club and New Evergreens events and pray that they will provide a place of encouragement and friendship for older people. We thank you too for the regular services held in two rest homes – that they will encourage the people who live there who are Christians and also effectively communicate the gospel message to those who aren't.

We thank you for the various initiatives in which the church is involved which contribute to the life of our local community, SCRATCH, SAFE, Communicare, and Friends of St James Park. We pray that each of these will be successful in positively impacting the people in Shirley and demonstrating the love of Christ to them.

We thank you for the activities of Shirley Parish Church, which aim to reach others with the good news of the Gospel of Christ. We pray that people will come along to the Alpha course and will respond to the good news and commit their lives to you. We pray for the Christian Vision for Men group that they will grow in fellowship and friendship together and also be successful in reaching out to their friends with the good news of the gospel.

### **Specific items for prayer**

We thank you for the resource of the Shirley Parish Church buildings, and pray for the Parish Church Council as it considers options for developing them.

We thank you for the missional communities that have been recently established, supporting young families, the youth, and those facing financial hardship. We pray more communities to emerge with good leadership.

## **Shirley Salvation Army**

### **Activities**

<b>Who is it for?</b>	<b>Name of Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Kids Club</b>	Club for children aged 5-12 including games, craft, snooker, computer consoles etc
Church Meeting	<b>Morning Worship</b>	Morning worship with Kids alive (3-6 and 7-12 years) and SAY (13-25 years)
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday evening worship</b>	Evening worship followed by drinks
Diabetes sufferers	<b>Friendship group for those with diabetes</b>	Friendship group open for all with diabetes
Everyone	<b>Coffee Mornings</b>	Coffee mornings open to all
Everyone	<b>Luncheon Club</b>	A simple meal of soup and dessert
Everyone	<b>Bible study and fellowship evening</b>	Bible study and fellowship evening

Seniors	<b>CAMEO (Come and meet each other)</b>	Entertainers, speakers and trips for those over 55
Social Action	<b>Salvation Army Charity Shop</b>	Shop selling a variety of goods for charity
Youth	<b>The . club</b>	Youth club run jointly with Shirley Baptist Church

### Prayer items

We thank you for the weekly meetings of the Shirley Salvation Army. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the leader of the Shirley Salvation Army, Major Teresa Harris. We pray that she will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for the task of leading the church and that you will guide her in all she does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We pray for Shirley Salvation Army. We thank you for the work they do among children with their Kid's Club. We pray for the people who run this group that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the work of Shirley Salvation Army with young people. We thank you for the .Club, run jointly with the Shirley Baptist church. We pray for the people who run this group that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit that they will run excellent activities and that the young people will come to faith in Christ through them.

We pray for the work of Shirley Salvation Army among senior citizens. We thank you for the CAMEO events and pray that they will provide a place of encouragement and friendship for older people.

We thank you for the work of the Shirley Salvation Army in the community. We pray for the coffee mornings, the charity shop, the diabetes friendship group, the lunch club and the Salvation Army Band. We pray that you will give strength to all the people that work for these initiatives, that you will fill them with strength and help them bring encouragement and support to the people they are serving.

### Shirley Warren Action Church

#### Activities

Who is it for?	Name of Activity	Description
Children (4-10 years)	<b>Fun with Faith</b>	Children's group providing an introduction to the Christian faith incorporated into a variety of fun

		activities
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	Morning service with Rock Solid event for children
Everyone	<b>Friday Lunch Club</b>	Two –course meal provided – everyone welcome
Everyone	<b>Sonshine</b>	Weekly group meeting in the afternoon for friendship, bible-study and worship
Everyone	<b>Art Club</b>	Weekly group usually in the afternoon spending time on crafts
Everyone	<b>Garden Club</b>	Weekly session working on the garden of Shirley Warren Action Church
Youth	<b>Youth Cafe</b>	Opportunity for young people to get together, have fun and do arts and crafts
Social Action	<b>Let your light shine</b>	Support group for survivors of sexual abuse

### Prayer items

We thank you for the weekly meetings of Shirley Warren Action Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of Shirley Warren Action Church, Rev Jenny Elliott. We pray that she will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for her task of leading the church and that you will guide her in all she does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We pray for Shirley Warren Action Church. We thank you for the work they do among children, for the Rock Solid event on Sundays and Fun with Faith group for 4-10 year olds running midweek. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the different groups being run throughout the week by Shirley Warren Action Church, the Friday Lunch club, Sonshine, the Art Club and the Garden Club. We pray that these activities will develop fellowship among members of the church and also be a means of introducing people outside the church to the message of Jesus.

We thank you for the work of Shirley Warren Action Church with young people. We pray for the Youth Café that happens on Fridays. We pray for the people who run this group that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that it will be an excellent event and that the young people will come to faith in Christ through it.

We thank you for the 'Let you light shine' group at Shirley Warren Action Church. We pray that this will be a great help to the survivors of childhood sexual abuse who attend.

We pray for those who provide the support that you will give them wisdom and grace as they seek to bring your love and encouragement.

## **Southampton Adventist Church**

### **Activities**

<b>Who is it for?</b>	<b>Name of Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
Children (under 5 years)	Teddies Play Group	Parent and toddler group
Church Meeting	Main Service	11:15 am - Church service (with Kid's Church at 10.30am on third Saturday)
Church Meeting	Sabbath School	10am each Saturday Bible teaching for all ages
Church Meeting	Prayer meeting	Meeting for prayer and fellowship, each Wednesday evening at 7:30pm.

### **Prayer items**

We thank you for the weekly meetings of Southampton Adventist Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the leader of Southampton Adventist Church, Pastor Doug McCormac. We pray that he will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for his task of leading the church and that you will guide him in all he does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We thank you for the weekly prayer meeting at the Southampton Adventist Church. We pray for the people who run this group that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit and that they will run an excellent activity.

We pray that the young people will come to faith in Christ and grow in their Christian walk.

### **Specific items for prayer**

Please pray for the families, the parents and the children. Pray that they will make Jesus Christ the focus of their homes and their relationships.



## St Boniface Church

### Activities

Who is it for?	Name of activity	Description
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Parent and Toddler group</b>	Parent and toddler group
Children (5-11 years)	<b>FROGS</b>	Club for children in school years 3-6
Church	<b>Mass</b>	Congregational meeting with organ and singing
Church	<b>Mass</b>	Reflective meeting with some music
Church	<b>Mass</b>	Sung mass with organ or music group
Seniors	<b>Activities for the Elderly</b>	Activities for the elderly
Seniors	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	Social gathering focused on elderly folk
Youth	<b>Youth Group – Fanning the Flame</b>	Youth group for school years 7 to 13

### Prayer items

We thank you for the weekly meetings of St Boniface Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the leader of St Boniface Church, Father David Sillince. We pray that he will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for the task of leading the church and that you will guide him in all he does. We also pray for the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We pray for St Boniface Church. We thank you for the work they do among senior citizens. We thank you for regular Coffee Morning and other activities for seniors that they run. We pray that they will provide a place of encouragement and friendship for older people and that they will be used to draw people closer to God

We pray for St Boniface Church. We thank you for the parent and toddler group that runs every morning with a special session on Tuesday for the Polish Community and also for the FROGS club for junior school children. We pray for the people who run these

groups, that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will provide excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the work of St Boniface Church with young people. We pray for those who run the Fanning the Flame group, that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit. We pray that they will run excellent activities, which the young people will enjoy, and also be a means of them coming to faith in Christ.

### **Specific items for prayer**

We pray for integration of migrant groups within our community

We pray for the evangelisation of those who have fallen away from the faith.

## **St James Road Methodist Church**

### **Activities**

Children (5-11 years)	<b>Boys Brigade - Anchors</b>	Activities for boys aged 5-school year 2
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Boys Brigade - Juniors</b>	Activities for boys aged school years 3-5
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Bumps and Babies</b>	Parent and baby group (in association with the National Childbirth Trust)
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Tadpoles</b>	Parent and toddler group
Church Meeting	<b>Family Worship</b>	Family meeting suitable for those with children
Church Meeting	<b>Morning Worship</b>	Traditional worship service
Church Meeting	<b>Evening Worship</b>	Evening Worship
Everyone	<b>Badminton Club</b>	Badminton for fun, friendship and exercise
Everyone	<b>Coffee and tea</b>	Coffee and tea
Everyone	<b>SJR Supper Club</b>	Meal and fellowship
Everyone	<b>Soup and Sweet lunch</b>	Soup and sweet lunch
Everyone	<b>Teapot</b>	Home made tea and cake
Everyone	<b>Bowls Club</b>	Short mat bowls
Families	<b>Messy Church</b>	Informal church for families
Families	<b>Who let the dad's out</b>	Dads and male carers with their pre-school children
Families	<b>Twins and Multiple Birth Group</b>	Families with twins or multiple births
Families	<b>Toast</b>	Breakfast event for families

Ladies	<b>Women's Wednesday Group</b>	Social activities, discussion and invited speakers
Youth	<b>Boys Brigade - Inters</b>	Boys activities for school years 7-9
Youth	<b>Boys Brigade - Seniors</b>	Boys activities for school years 9+

### Prayer items

We thank you for the weekly meetings of St James Road Methodist Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the minister of St James Road Methodist Church, Rev Christine Coram. We pray that she will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for the task, and that you will guide her in all she does. We pray also for Deacon Brain Purchase that you will be with him in his practical service to the church, and for rest of the leadership team that you will fill them with strength and wisdom.

We pray for St James Road Methodist Church. We thank you for the work they do among children, for the Bumps and Babies and Tadpoles groups for preschool children, and the Boys Brigade for school aged children. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We thank you for the work of St James Road Methodist Church with young people. We pray for the Inters and Seniors Boys Brigade groups, which happen each week. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit, that they will run excellent activities and that the young people will come to faith in Christ through them.

We pray for the activities for families run by St James Road Methodist Church. We thank you for Messy Church, Who Let the Dads out, the Twins and Multiple Births group and Toast. We pray that they will be successful in getting families to come along and that people will come to know you as a result.

We thank you for the social activities run by St James Road Methodist Church. We pray that they will develop fellowship among members of the church and also be a means of introducing people outside the church to the message of Jesus.

### St Mark's Church

#### Activities

Who is it for?	Name of Activity	Description
Children (5-11 years)	<b>Star Seekers</b>	Fun afternoon for children aged 4-11
Children (under 5 years)	<b>Baby &amp; Toddler</b>	Parent and toddler group

	<b>Group</b>	
Church Meeting	<b>Sunday Church Service</b>	10.00 am Morning Service with Young Church and Crèche Facility
Everyone	<b>Mark's Movies</b>	A movie experience in a relaxed bistro cafe-style setting
Everyone	<b>Craft Club</b>	Community craft club
Social Action	<b>Seedbed</b>	Helping development of new project ideas
Seniors	<b>Haven Lunch Club</b>	Midday meal and activities for retired folk

### **Prayer items**

We thank you for the weekly meetings of St Marks Church. We pray that they will be times of joy and that the members of the church will be inspired by the teaching to walk close to you in their daily lives and boldly share the gospel with their neighbours.

We thank you for the previous vicar of St Marks Church, Rev Dave Mapes, who has recently moved to the Downs benefice, which consists of five village churches between Winchester and Andover. We thank you for the work that he has done in the church over the past five years and pray that you will bless him as he moves to his new position. We pray for the churchwardens who will be responsible for running the church until a new vicar is appointed. We pray that they will be anointed by your Holy Spirit for this task of leading the church and that you will guide them in all their decisions.

We pray for St Marks Church. We thank you for the work they do among children, for the Baby and Toddlers group and for Star Seekers for juniors. We pray for the people who run these groups that you will fill them with your Holy Spirit so that they will run excellent activities and that the children will receive grounding in the Christian faith through them.

We pray for Mark's Movies run by St Mark's church. We pray that the performances will be a good opportunity for people to get together and that they will be a means of connecting with people in the community and drawing them towards Christ.

We pray for the Craft Club run by St Mark's church. We pray that it will enable people to develop new skills while sharing fellowship with others. We also pray it will be a means of connecting with people in the community and drawing them towards Christ.

We pray for the work of St Mark's church among senior citizens. We thank you for regular Haven Lunch Club run with Communicare, and pray that it will provide a place of encouragement and friendship for older people.

We thank you for the work of Seedbed, which seeks to support grassroots community projects become established in Southampton. We thank you for the groups they have been able to help and pray that you will continue to enable them to demonstrate the love of Christ at work in our community.