

We praise you that no matter what our days or years may bring

Or the gifts we possess

You will walk us to the end.

No matter the faith or the hope with which you fill our lives,

you lead us in the way that declares your truth and offers new life to our neighbour.

We ask that the spirit of joy and gratitude

May colour every facet of our lives

And overflow to touch and change the lives of those around us and bring glory to your name .

Amen

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Circuit Prayer Diary

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New territories

This time of year is when people may be starting or preparing to start new things: new courses , new jobs .

Because of children's education even people not working in that sphere may choose this time to move job and possibly move house .

Some may still be doing exams. Others could be in the long wait for results.

Many of our clergy are preparing to move on , some will be preparing for ordination , others for changes of role or retirement.

Others may be preparing to make other kinds of changes in their lives , whether because of choice or necessity.

Please pray for all these folk at this time.

Methodist Conference

Methodist Conference runs from the end of June this year. (28th June-5th July).

Ordinations and reception into conference take place on Sunday 1st July in and around Nottingham where conference is being held . You may know people who are being ordained this year .

Please remember them and others ordinands in your prayers.

Our business this year includes time spent on the Ministry and Mission report on working more closely with the Anglican Church and working towards parity between the clergy from both churches.

Please remember this also in your prayers.

I hope also to be putting up items for prayer each day on the facebook page during Conference.

The Way of Jesus

Father we thank you for the truth that is Christ,

And that in him is life in all its fullness;

That because of his life death and resurrection

He is our strength, our guide, our teacher and our Lord

Father we praise you for the confidence we can have in Christ.

In him we are not given a place in which we can hide from life's problems,

But the strength to face each day;

You do not provide a crutch to prop up broken lives,

But you give us your power to lift us, to hold us and to enable us.

We thank you that Christ taught us not to trust the way of self-sufficiency, self-satisfaction or power in positive thinking.

He called us to trust in the reality of receiving your Spirit, who alone will empower us to live for you.