



PRAYERS FOR SOME SPECIFIC OCCASIONS

For All in Authority

Almighty God, ruler of the nations of the earth,
give wisdom to the leader of this nation name
and to all who hold office in this land.
Grant that their decisions may be based on wise counsel,
so that peace and welfare,
truth and justice may prevail among us,
and make us a blessing to other nations;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For peace

God of the nations,
whose sovereign rule brings justice and peace,
have mercy on our broken and divided world.
We pray especially today for (...).
Establish your peace in the hearts of all
and banish from them the spirit that makes for war,
that all races and peoples may learn to live
as members of one family
and in obedience to your laws,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For good government

Gracious Lord,
grant to our governments and all who serve in public life
wisdom and skill, imagination and energy.
Protect them from corruption
and the temptation to serve themselves.
Help us all to commit ourselves to the common good,
that our land may be a secure home for all its peoples,
through Jesus Christ the Prince of Peace. Amen.

For the sick

Almighty God, giver of life and health,
hear our prayers for name,
and those who minister to him/her.
May he/she be restored to health of body and mind
according to your will,
and in the presence of your people give thanks to you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



For one facing an operation

God of compassion and mercy,
you never fail to sustain and comfort those who seek your help.
Give strength and peace to name,
now facing an operation.
Enable him/her to know that you are near
and deliver him/her from fear.
Give wisdom and care to those who minister to him/her (especially ...).
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For one with a life-threatening illness

God our refuge,
when human resources fail,
you alone remain our sure hope and defence.
Grant healing, strength and courage to your servant name.
We place ourselves in your hands,
confident that nothing can separate us from you,
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

For the aged

Lord God, look with mercy on all for whom increasing years
bring isolation and distress.
Give them understanding helpers
and the willingness to receive what is offered.
As their strength diminishes, increase their faith
and their assurance of your love.
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For families

Almighty God our heavenly Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ shared at Nazareth
the life of an earthly home,
bless our homes we pray.
Help parents to impart the knowledge of you and your love,
and children to respond with love and obedience.
May our homes be blessed with peace and joy,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



For the spread of the gospel

We praise you, Lord of all,
for the gifts of Christ our ascended King:
for apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers.
Hear our prayer for all who do not know your love
and have not heard the gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Send out your light and truth
through the messengers of your word (especially ...).
Help us to support them by our prayers and offerings,
and hasten the coming of your kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For an increase of gospel workers

Heavenly Father,
look with compassion on the world you have redeemed
by the death of your Son Jesus Christ.
Move the hearts of many
to offer themselves for gospel ministry.
Fill them with your truth and clothe them with holiness,
that by their lives and labours
your light might shine through them
and the coming of your kingdom be advanced,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For a time of natural disasters

Look in mercy, Lord,
on those whose lives and possessions
are threatened (have been destroyed) by

Provide for their need and heal the land.
So guide and bless your people,
that we may enjoy the fruits of the earth
and give you thanks with grateful hearts,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For rain

Lord Jesus Christ,
you promised those who seek first your kingdom
and your righteousness
all things necessary for bodily welfare.
Send us in this time of need,
rain to water the earth,
that we may receive its produce
to strengthen and sustain us,
and always praise you for your goodness. Amen.