

PRAYER GUIDELINES

Pioneer Global Day of Prayer – Wednesday 22nd April 2020

We're going to use the Lord's Prayer as a framework for our prayers today. We'll take a phrase, pray through it and ask God to lead us and speak to us.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name

Let's begin our time by praising our heavenly Father. You might want to listen to a song on YouTube or sing along with those you're praying with. It's good to remind ourselves we are coming to a good and generous Father who longs for good things for His children.

Today, we are going to praying for those who are part of the Pioneer family across the globe. Our heavenly Father is also their heavenly Father and desires good for them as well.

Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven

We're living through unprecedented times. Let's pray for the Kingdom of heaven to be revealed more and more through the church of Jesus Christ. Pioneer is a small cog in a much bigger global church but we want to play our part with humility and confidence. All the way from New Zealand across Australia through India, Sri Lanka, Nepal and over to Kenya and Zambia, throughout the

UK and Europe and across the Atlantic to Cuba and the USA [all the nations where there are currently Pioneer networks].

Give us today our daily bread

Take some time to watch some of the short videos from Pioneer leaders from various nations. Pray for them by name. Consider making a donation to the International Appeal.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us

Take a moment to pause and reflect. We are all part of a system that perpetuates inequality. I have no idea who made the trainers I am wearing. I don't know how much they earned. I don't know what their working conditions were like.

Forgive us Lord.

Let's pray for our brothers and sisters in developing nations – as much at risk of starvation as COVID-19.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil

Let's pray for ourselves in this season. We have an opportunity to pause, reflect and make changes. What do we need to leave behind? What do we need to start? What are we learning about ourselves, about God, about the church?

We want to avoid the temptation of complacency and the path that leads to further 'evil'.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever

Let's finish by declaring this. God's kingdom is an eternal one and His purposes in all the churches, cities and nations we've been praying for will be fulfilled.

PRAYING ACROSS THE GLOBE

New Zealand [+11] - 10am - 11am [11pm BST]

Australia [+9] - 9am - 1pm [12am - 4am BST]

Asia [+4.30] - 7.30am - 10.30am [4am - 7am BST]

Kenya [+2] - 9am - 12pm [7am - 10am BST]

Zambia [+1] - 11am - 12pm [10am - 11am BST]

UK - 11am - 7pm

Cuba [-5] - 2pm - 3pm [7pm - 8pm BST]

USA EDT [-5] - 3pm - 5pm [8pm - 10pm BST]

USA CDT [-6] - 6pm - 7pm [10pm - 11pm BST]