

(continued) PRAYER WEEK – prayer ideas



Friday – World

Lesotho - Pray for about the ongoing challenges of farming and the need for regular rain.

- Pray for Chigo (leading Rehoboth Church) to be able trust God for his financial support in this new year and God would provide.
- Pray for new life and growth as they reach out with God's love and Gospel.
- Pray for the MAP team (medical and clinic). Dr Andrew Hill from Hedge End will be going out for the month of February to help them.
- Pray the clinic will take on a meaningful form, even when a doctor is not present, and be both a practical community help and a Kingdom blessing.

Albania - Pray for Edi, Artina and Mikael and the growth of 180 Church in the capital Tirana. Pray they would see many come to faith in Jesus.

- Pray for Artina who has been off work with some kind of stress/burn-out. She is back working part-time but on medication and still not well.

Saturday - King's Church Community Activities

- Pray for God to work through shared friendships, conversations & interests
- Pray for the new Spring Season for the Community Choir to draw in people who are not Christians.

Future Dates

Fri 2nd Feb	7.30pm King's Community Choir Spring Rehearsal The first in a series of rehearsals leading to an Easter Concert. Anyone is welcome to join. Speak to Chrissie Pepper or go to: kingschurchlewes.org/choir
Sun 4th Feb	10am Baby Thanksgiving Service
Sun 11th March	10am Baptism Service
Fri 30th March	10am Easter Family Eggstravaganza at King's Crafts, Fun, Refreshments & short Easter Message.
Fri 30th March	7.30pm King's Community Choir Easter Concert
Sun 1st April	10am Easter Sunday Guest Service

Sign up for a place or find out more about these events and courses on ChurchSuite or through the Office.

CONNECT SHEET

King's CHURCH
kingschurchlewes.org

Sunday 7th January

CONNECT WITH THE MESSAGE

A City on a Hill

Matthew 5:14-16

1) What do you love most about church? Why?



Read Matthew 5:14-16

2) What do you think was the best thing Rich said in his message? Why?

3) Write down as many ways as you can that King's Church is being a light to the people around us.

4) What could you personally do to help King's be an even brighter light?

5) Are there 3 people that you could commit to pray for and aim to share your faith with? Who?

Read Philippians 2:1-16

6) What motivation does this passage give us for selflessly loving each other?

7) In what ways might you need to change to be more like the descriptions in verses 2-4 or 14-16?

8) What do you find most disappointing or frustrating about church?

9) What could you do to help improve some of your answers to Q8?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Isaiah 60:1-14

1) Who or what is Isaiah originally speaking to / about in this passage?

2) What historical situation do you think he is prophesying about?

3) What is the gist of God's message to the original recipients of this prophecy?

4) In what ways might it be valid to apply some of this prophecy to the church? Why?

5) What things does this prophecy promise & what might they look like under the New Covenant?

6) How does this passage encourage you personally?

7) Spend some time praying through this passage in light of your answers above

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Sunday – Youth & Children

Youth

- Pray that our weekly Youth meetings will lead to good fruit in the lives of our youth: faith, growth, godliness, equipped for living for Jesus & being an effective witness.
- Pray our youth would invite friends to the socials/events and they would come and God would work in them.
- Pray for more volunteers for our Sunday Morning Youth Team.

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- Pray for all our Sparklers, Livewires and Ignite leaders and helpers.
- Pray that all of our children, of whatever age, would grow in their love and knowledge of God and be filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through faith in Jesus (Philippians 1:9-11)
- Pray for our children to reach out to their friends who don't know Jesus.

Monday – Family & Friends

- Pray for your friends and members of your family who don't know Jesus.
- Pray God uses you to show his love and helps you to be his witness.
- Pray for opportunities to make new friends and contacts in 2018

Tuesday – Colleagues & Neighbours

- Pray to be able to get to know them or get to know them better this year.
- Pray for opportunities to show them God's kindness and point them to him.

Wednesday – Breakthrough in Lewes & the Villages

- Pray for spiritually blind eyes to be opened to their need for our Saviour Jesus.
- Pray for greater openness to God in 2018; for people to seek & cry out to him.

Thursday – Social Action

- Thanks for the many volunteers interested in being a King's Friend. Pray the scheme works really well and volunteers are well matched with their friends.
- Pray for John Paisley sorting out the admin so our team can swiftly progress to visiting. Pray we make a positive difference in people's lives.
- Pray good relations develop with the agencies which may refer people to us.
- Pray for 3 Syrian Refugees supported by Church members & families; that friendships grow, they are a blessing to them, for physical & mental healing.
- Pray for the Church members visiting Claydon House, that God blesses them and encourages them in their good work.
- Pray for Jane and the Family group as they start to explore a new possible opportunity this year. Pray that if it is God's will, doors will be opened.

