

Intercessions for 28th January 2018

Dear Lord, we pray for our world, our nation and our community

We pray for the situation on the Korean peninsula. We thank you for dialogue between North and South Korea and we ask for your blessing on the efforts to bring the two countries together and to end the hostility between them. May you raise up peacemakers who can build bridges, and bless the situation with wise leaders. We ask that North Koreans can come to live peacefully, prosperously and freely.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear Our Prayer

As we remember holocaust memorial today, we pray against the evil of anti-Semitism in our world. We ask that you would raise up church leaders to speak out against hate and prejudice against Jewish people in all forms, and ask that your followers are strong beacons against anti-Semitism. We pray to that the world's hearts are never cold to the suffering and horror of the holocaust. We pray that the memory of those who died would confront us all and challenge us to stand up against all those forces who seek to stir up enmity and aggression against racial or religious minorities.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear Our Prayer

We lift up your church in Egypt, as they face intimidation and violence for following you. We pray for their safety, and for your spirit to move in that country against those who seek to harm Christians. We pray too that you would strengthen, sustain and encourage the church in midst of great trials. Equip the church with faithful leaders, build up gracious servants, and anoint your followers powerfully with the holy spirit.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear Our Prayer

We pray for your church in this country. Bless our archbishop Justin Welby as he leads the Anglican church. We pray for wisdom, courage and steadfastness in heading the church. May he be faithful to your word and bring the gospel to all those in our society. Strengthen, guide and equip all our bishops as they pastor the church in different parts of our country. May their words and deeds bring glory to your name, and lead others to know you.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear Our Prayer

We pray for our council here in Islington. We ask for wise and godly leadership. Bless their work, and guide their decision making to follow the values of your kingdom. As they govern our community, we ask that their choices protect the vulnerable, uphold justice, and steward resources wisely.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear Our Prayer

We pray for our clergy as they carry out their work amongst the community. We pray for the times they visit schools to give assemblies- equip them with the right words to speak your truth to young people. For the times they visit those suffering bereavement- may they bring the warmth and light of your love to those in mourning. For the times they speak to those who seek you, give them the right words to say to share your love and gospel and help seekers encounter you.

Lord, in your mercy

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