

Midday Prayers 2020: Building hope and confidence July Songs of hope

Monday: Songs of hope

Lord of all hopefulness, we will rejoice with songs of hope to gladden our hearts and bring praise to your name.

We will give thanks to you, Lord, with all our hearts; We will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

We will be glad and rejoice in you; We will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

He rules the world in righteousness and judges the peoples with equity.

The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.

Sing the praises of the Lord, enthroned in Zion; proclaim among the nations what he has done. **Amen** *Psalm 9: 2, 8-11*



Tuesday: God is good

They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

The Lord is good to all: he has compassion on all he has made. *Psalm* 145:7-9

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His love is everlasting and extends to all creation.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! Bringing wholeness, and peace beyond understanding.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His arms open wide welcoming home the prodigals.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His promises are sure His kingdom shall last forever.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! Amen

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Wednesday: God is faithful

Lord of all faithfulness, we will rejoice with songs of hope to gladden our hearts and bring praise to your name.

Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

Sing to him a new song; play skilfully, and shout for joy.

The word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.

The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.

In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you. **Amen** *Psalm 33:1, 3-5, 20-22*



Thursday: God is love

I will sing of the Lord's great love for ever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

I will declare that your love stands firm for ever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself. *Psalm 89:1-2*

To you, O Lord, we lift up our souls. You are our God—we trust in You alone.

Look upon us with mercy and love the same steadfast mercy and love You have shown toward your people throughout history.

Make your ways known to us; guide us into your truth. Show us the way we should go.

For you are the God of our salvation, full of compassion and steadfast love, and those who wait on you will never be put to shame. **Amen** *https://re-worship.blogspot.com*



Friday: God is attentive

Lord of all attentiveness, we will rejoice with songs of hope to gladden our hearts and bring praise to your name.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where does my help come from?

My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip – he who watches over you will not slumber.

Indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord watches over you – the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm – he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and for evermore. **Amen** *Psalm 121*



Saturday: Songs of hope

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. *Psalm 100*

Whatever today may hold, whatever tomorrow might bring, the future is secure,

for Christ is with us, the same yesterday, today and forever.

Live each moment with him in quiet confidence and joyful celebration,

for he is ours and we are his for all eternity. Amen ©Nick Fawcett



Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- **1** Eastern Zambia in Zambia; Mombasa in Kenya; Gwagwalada & Ekiti-West in Nigeria; Leicester in England and Temotu in Solomon Islands
- 2 4 Renk in South Sudan; Cyangugu in Rwanda; Arochukwu/Ohafia & Ile-Oluji in Nigeria; St Andrews, Dunkeld & Dunblane in Scotland and Sittwe in Myanmar

5 Mothers' Union worldwide

- 6 8 Wad Medani in Sudan; Kondoa in Tanzania; Ikwo & Remo in Nigeria; Montreal in Canada and the Windward Islands in St Lucia, Grenada, St Vincent & The Grenadines
- **9 11** El Obeid in Sudan; Butere in Kenya; Nnewi in Nigeria; London in England and the Province of the USA

12 Mothers' Union worldwide

- **13 15** Toliara in Madagascar; Mbale in Uganda; Zaria & Ndokwa in Nigeria, Rochester in England and Chhattisgarh in India
- 16 18 Lake Malawi in Malawi; Byumba in Rwanda; Jalingo in Nigeria; St Edmundsbury & Ipswich in England and Lucknow in India

19 Mothers' Union worldwide

- **20 22** Gitega in Burundi; Murag'a South and Mbeere in Kenya; Enugu North in Nigeria; Polynesia in Tonga and Jaffna in India
- **23–25** George in South Africa; Bungoma in Kenya; Western Tanganyika in Tanzania; Ideato in Nigeria; Sodor & Man in Isle of Man and Toronto in Canada

26 Mothers' Union worldwide

- **27 29** Northern Zambia in Zambia; Mpwapwa in Tanzania; Gusau & Osun in Nigeria; Sydney in Australia and Rayalaseema in India
- **30 31** Boga in DR Congo; Manicaland in Zimbabwe; Tanga in Tanzania; Ogoni in Nigeria; Carlisle in England and Melbourne in Australia

Final Blessing

May songs of hope overflow from our hearts, bringing praises to God and joy to his world. Amen