

Prayer diary

1 May–3 September 2022



Pray with us



Anna Chaplaincy

Living Faith

Messy Church

Parenting for Faith

Enabling all ages to grow in faith



In the *Brixton Parish Church Chronicle*, on the eve of 1922, Leslie Mannering proposed the founding of a fellowship, one of whose purposes would be ‘to deepen the life of prayer’ among his parishioners. In our centenary year, this still remains one of the prime aims of BRF on behalf of its now worldwide family of supporters.

The psalmist reminds us that ‘Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain’ (Psalm 127:1). Without prayer, nothing worthwhile and lasting is possible. Prayer connects us to the heart of God and to God’s kingdom-building purposes for our lives and our communities. BRF seeks to resource and support such praying that is foundational to our life of faith in Jesus Christ.

You will find several links back to our founding purposes in the quotations, thoughts and prayers in this new prayer diary. Our prayer is that these will inspire, encourage and shape your faithful prayers with ours for the ongoing ministry of Revd Mannering’s ‘fellowship’, as we seek to follow God’s leading in our day and on into our second century!

With thanks for your partnership in prayer and with prayers for you,

Martyn



Martyn Payne
BRF prayer advocate



A prayer on the theme of ‘being thankful, being blessed’

Lord, as we recognise your many blessings,
you open our being to your love.

Lord, as we become more thankful in our attitudes,
you touch our lives with your grace.

Lord, as we learn how to be grateful in all things,
you nourish our spirits with your mercy.

Lord, as we acknowledge your goodness at work
in all times, places and people, you re-form our
character with a thankful heart.

Amen

Pray with us in BRF's centenary year

Prayer and intercession is the supreme work of Christians. 'Work backed up by prayer' is too often the practice, if not the ideal, of the church. If the world is to be won, that order must be reversed and the church learn to depend on 'prayer backed up by work'.

Leslie Mannerling, founder of BRF, *Brixton Parish Church Chronicle*, December 1921

Thought for the week

'To clasp the hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of the world.'

Karl Barth (1886-1968), Swiss theologian



Pray with us

The following intercessions were written in 1922 for use in services and meetings of the Fellowship of St Matthew (which then became BRF)

- That the practice of Bible reading may increase, so that through its study the minds of *all people* may respond to the message of God
- That all plans for the development of our fellowship may be made under the guidance of the Holy Spirit
- That those who write and work for the fellowship may be taught of God and given a right judgement in all things
- That we who read, may seek until we find; and that finding, we may express in life and conduct the truths revealed to us
- That the blessing of God may rest upon all members of the fellowship

Creator God,
who made us in your image
and commanded us to multiply that image,
help us to fulfil this high calling by being:
communicators of your gospel, coaches of your truths,
channels of your goodness, champions of your justice
and caretakers of your earth. Amen



For the ministry of Living Faith

Those who desert their prayers in order to get more quickly to what they fondly call work, are like a stoker on a liner who puts out his furnace fires and tries to tow the ship himself.

Leslie Mannering, *The Brixton Parish Church Chronicle*, December 1921

Thought for the week

‘I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.’

PSALM 121:1–2



Pray with us for

- The publication this month of our first Centenary Classics reissue, *The Jesus Prayer*
- All those reading our May–August Bible reading notes
- Our Bible reading notes editors – Gordon Giles, Olivia Warburton, Rachel Tranter, Jackie Harris, Daniele Och and Eley McAinsh – as they commission new themes
- Living Faith Lead Olivia Warburton, Holy Habits Lead Karen Laister and all involved in developing our Living Faith ministry
- Those who will be reading and praying with our Bible notes this day, that the Lord will speak with love into their various situations and inspire them with courage

Almighty Word within the written word,
thank you for inspiring patriarchs and prophets,
singers and scribes, and poets and priests
with the record of your love,
revealed in the calling and keeping
of your people of old.
May we in our day,
encounter your living Word through the printed word
and meet our Saviour, who is Jesus Christ. Amen



For the ministry of Messy Church

Strengthen my feeble hands, steady these knees that give way' is my go-to arrow prayer that I regularly pray when I need reassuring that... God is in control and will enable and strengthen me to get through it.

Katie Norman, *The BRF Book of 365 Bible Reflections* (BRF, 2021)



Thought for the week

All life becomes prayer only in as much as we learn to set aside special moments and places for regular prayer. The one creates and shapes the other.

Pray with us for

- The BRF Messy Church team – Aike Kennett-Brown, Jane Butler and Sally O'Hare – as they meet regularly to pray, plan and prioritise their support to Messy Churches
- Messy Church teams who are creatively exploring ways of meeting face to face, outdoors and online
- The third international Messy Church conference this coming weekend, that delegates will be inspired, encouraged and resourced for their Messy ministry
- Messy Church volunteer support teams, asking the Lord to inspire them
- Lucy Moore in her new lead role with the Church of England's Growing Faith Foundation, and for a fruitful partnership with Messy Church in that post



Welcoming God, grow your family through Messy Church.
 Creator God, set our imaginations on fire.
 God of old and young, help us to be a church for all ages.
 Joyful God, help us celebrate you in all we do.
 Loving God, help us all walk more closely with Jesus Christ.
 Amen

For BRF's trustees and council

Sometimes we are so busy talking to God that we come away from our prayer time a little dissatisfied... Perhaps the answer is to come to him and be still in his presence, to gaze at him in adoration and, without any words, to bask in his great love for us.

Valerie Eker, *Bible Reflections for Older People*, January–April 2022

Thought for the week

‘Prayer is coming before God in the name of Jesus and allowing God, through the Holy Spirit, to shape who we are.’

Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, on Facebook, August 2021



Pray with us for

- CEO Richard Fisher as he guides staff through times of change and nurtures the new initiatives that are emerging during this centenary year
- Gifts of wisdom and understanding for the BRF council as they seek to discern what the Spirit is saying to the church and BRF
- BRF council members Colin Fletcher (chair, *pictured*), Christina Baxter (vice-chair) and Julian Hills (treasurer), that God's Spirit may inspire and guide them
- A greater seeking after 'those things that are above' this Ascension Day, that our lives here on earth may better reflect and declare God's glory
- BRF council members Andrew Barton, Alistair Booth, Paul Cox, Sarah Hayes, Andrew Howard, Jane Whittington and Mike Wilkinson

Thank you, Father,
that the willing sacrifice of Jesus for us
teaches us that we only truly come alive
as we serve others willingly,
without hope of reward,
wanting their highest good
and their richest blessing,
through the power of your Spirit at work in us. Amen



For an increased commitment to prayer

We are so apt to be immersed in organisations, committees and plans that we tend to become entangled in our own machinery... First and foremost there is prayer; not simply for ourselves but for the world in which we live.

Leslie Mannering, *Parish Chronicle*, December 1921

Thought for the week


It's God's Spirit who prompts us to pray, because God's love is longing to bless, through God's Son, who makes all this possible for us who are God's people.



Edward King Chapel, Cuddesdon

Pray with us for

- The organisers, workshop leaders, speakers and delegates preparing for the BRF Festival of Prayer being held on 9 July
- Those in our BRF teams using the prayer resources linked to Thy Kingdom Come
- Those who pray for BRF (Jesus said, 'If two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven')
- The prayers posted on social media for BRF, asking that these daily prayers will be shared and used widely, by individuals and churches
- For ourselves as we get ready for the festival of Pentecost this coming Sunday



Holy Spirit of God,
 who hovered over creation,
 rested on your creatures,
 inspired your chosen people,
 spoke through your prophets,
 descended on your Son,
 fell upon and clothed your faithful,
 and comforted and counselled your disciples:
 come now in power and fill our lives
 with the peace and presence of God. Amen

For BRF supporters and volunteer teams

Lord Jesus, as we celebrate with BRF in this centenary year, help me to share my own story, as I both remember and celebrate all you've done for me. Amen

Erica Roberts, *Bible Reflections for Older People*, January–April 2022



Angela Smith, BRF local church champion

Thought for the week

‘Speak, for your servant is listening.’

1 SAMUEL 3:10

‘Here am I; send me!’

ISAIAH 6:8

Pray with us for

- Jane Butcher, who coordinates BRF’s volunteers, encouraging and resourcing them to be champions of God’s work through BRF
- Those who volunteer within the Anna Chaplaincy, Messy Church and Parenting for Faith ministries, asking that God will anoint them afresh with ‘the Spirit of power and love’
- Those who give their time freely as helpers at BRF events, as distributors of Bible reading notes and advocates within their churches
- Inspiration for those who write articles for our website and Facebook page
- Yourself and your Christian community at this Pentecost time, as we open our lives again to God’s Spirit and discover the giftings that God has given us to share

Lord,
you have given each of us gifts;
help us to share them generously.
You have given each of us time;
help us to use it wisely.
You have given each of us resources;
help us share them eagerly. Amen



For Anna Chaplains and their work

In many Christian traditions, evening prayer includes the words, ‘Lord, now let thy servant depart in peace’, using Simeon’s words in Luke 2:29. This is a good prayer to adopt, whatever age we are. Each day’s end is, in this sense, a milestone along our way.

Martyn Payne, *Bible Reflections for Older People*, January–April 2022


Thought for the week

Entering into the place of prayer, the faithfulness of the Son opens the door, the foreverness of the Father has already prepared the room and the fullness of the Spirit floods this space with light.



Pray with us for

- Debbie Thrower in her pioneering role with Anna Chaplaincy, asking the Lord to refresh her spirit with new vision and energy
- Anna Chaplaincy team members Alex Burn, Julia Burton-Jones and Debbie Ducille, as they train, encourage and resource new Anna Chaplains
- Inspiration and wisdom for the Anna Chaplaincy steering group as they advise on future projects and initiatives
- More churches to catch the vision of providing practical and spiritual support for those in nursing homes and with dementia
- Those who volunteer alongside Anna Chaplains in hospitals and in the community



Lord of eternity,
 thank you for the times and seasons of our lives:
 times to wait and times to worship;
 seasons for sowing and seasons for serving;
 times for prayer and times for partying;
 seasons for togetherness and seasons for time-out;
 times for remembrance and times for refreshment;
 seasons for receiving and seasons for sharing. Amen

For the BRF staff team

Whatever form the opposition we face may take, our first and wisest response must be to mirror Nehemiah's example and to turn to God in prayer.

Gavin Collins, *The BRF Book of 365 Bible Reflections* (BRF, 2021)

Thought for the week

Prayer is born out of our need to be helped, is refined in the fire of our being helpless, and is matured in the experience of our being held.



The Thames at Abingdon

Pray with us for

- The BRF team based in Abingdon who have had to manage the disruption of the last two years, sometimes in the office but often working from home
- Maddie Jane and Jenny Smith, supporting the ministry teams, and Chloe Trotman, PA to Richard Fisher
- John Chapman and Tabitha Griffiths, who maintain BRF projects and the office systems, and Kirsty Yu in the finance team
- Alison Beek, Ben Bloxham, Felicity Howlett, Daniele Och, Adrian Serecut, Rachel Tranter and Becca Turnbull, all part of the content creation team
- Lisa Bell, Claire Proudman and Taura Wood, who work in the supporter services team

Lord God,
you create, love and redeem,
not because you have to,
but because you choose to.
Inspire in us that same willing and selfless spirit,
as we choose to give, to care and to help others,
as co-workers in your kingdom. Amen



For BRF's focus on Christian discipleship

The prayer of Examen may be helpful – sitting in God's presence, letting the past day replay and asking the Holy Spirit to reveal your joy-filled, walking-in-the-light moments, but also where you were out of step with him.

Helen Williams, *Day by Day with God*, January–April 2022

Thought for the week

We feed on Christ as we pray and as we worship, as we read scripture and as we talk with Christian friends, as we love our neighbour and as we care for the needy.



Pray with us for

- The Centenary Classics publication this month of Martyn Payne's *Creative Ways to Tell a Bible Story*, giving thanks for the funding support that has made this possible
- God's blessing on the Holy Habits series of discipleship booklets
- The discipleship Messy Masterclasses run by the Messy Church training team
- The regular podcasts and webinars from the Parenting for Faith team that help parents and carers to share faith with their children at home
- Those who read BRF publications, Bible reading notes and online articles to resource their lifelong journey as disciples of Christ



God before, God within and God beyond our words:
shape what we think this day;
sharpen what we say;
shield those we love;
shelter us, whatever comes our way;
shoulder our sin and our burdens;
and show us how to be your disciples
each and every day.
For your name's sake. Amen

For those in leadership within BRF

Prayer is an instinctive human response, the cry of the heart towards God. No one tells us we must pray; we simply do.

Tony Horsfall, *The BRF Book of 365 Bible Reflections* (BRF, 2021)

Thought for the week

As we pray, we invite God's presence and power to touch the lives of others. Our prayers are God's bridgehead into the lives of all for whom we pray.



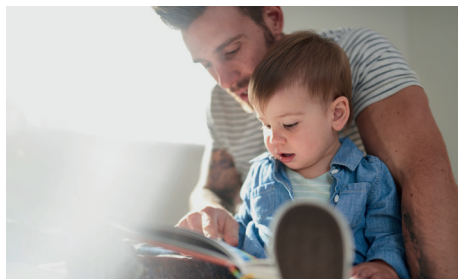
Pray with us for

- The leaders of our ministry teams – Anna Hawken (Parenting for Faith), Aike Kennett-Brown (Messy Church) and Debbie Thrower (Anna Chaplaincy)
- Senior managers Jay Elliott, who leads the finance and operations team, and Sara Sheerin, who is head of people and culture
- Senior managers Karen Laister, who is head of marketing, communications and strategic relationships, and Olivia Warburton, who leads the content creation team
- Senior manager Julie MacNaughton, who is head of fundraising
- Godly wisdom, spiritual stamina and sensitive pastoral oversight for each of the above, that they may find space for 'times of refreshing in the presence of the Lord' in this busy centenary year

God of all peace,
 speak your peace to our restless souls,
 bring your peace to our troubled lives,
 establish your peace in our broken world,
 because you are the one who mediates between people,
 making peace by the cross of Christ.
 Lord, work with us and in us for your glory. Amen



For good relationships with the media



Prayer is a pouring out; sometimes we pray with words, sometimes with our hands, our bodies and our silence; sometimes we pray with joy, sometimes with tears. When we pray, we pour out the little we have in ourselves... and when we do, God pours out the limitless resources of heaven in response.

Lyndall Bywater, *The BRF Book of 365 Bible Reflections* (BRF, 2021)

Thought for the week

Just as gravity connects us to earth, so prayer draws us to heaven.

Pray with us for

- Eley McAinsh and Debbie Clayden, as they promote the theme ‘Sharing the story since 1922’ in our centenary year
- Inspiration in commissioning new resources and projects
- Creativity for those who lead book launches, speak for BRF on the radio or online, and those who write social media posts for our ministries and activities
- Those we work with in the media, including news and magazine editors, radio presenters and communication officers
- New ways to help people engage with prayer and Bible reading



Father God,
as a faithful father,
you carry us;
as a forever father,
you inspire us;
as a forgiving father,
you never give up on us.
May these qualities of your heavenly fatherhood
be found in all,
who seek to father others. Amen



A BRF prayer from the archives

Almighty God,
you have taught us that your word is a lamp for our feet
and a light for our path. Help us, and all who prayerfully
read your word, to deepen our fellowship with you
and with each other through your love.
And in so doing may we come to know you more fully,
love you more truly and follow more faithfully
in the steps of your son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forevermore.
Amen

For more information about our centenary:
brf.org.uk/centenary

Revd Leslie Mannering, founder of
BRF, and his future wife Constance



For nurturing faith in the home

I wonder if we realise fully the tremendous privilege we have in prayer. What a privilege, first of all, to be able to come before a holy, almighty, creator God, king of the universe, and have direct access into his presence through the blood of Christ, and call him ‘Father’.

Beryl Adamsbaum, *The BRF Book of 365 Bible Reflections* (BRF, 2021)

Thought for the week

We come closer to our best selves when we are not the centre of our own lives. Praise, prayer and service of others are some of God’s gifts to us that help that happen.



Pray with us for

- The national reach and influence of BRF’s Parenting for Faith ministry, which supports Christian parents in sharing faith with their children
- The Parenting for Faith team members: Mary Douglas, Iona Gray, Kate Irvine and Becky Sedgwick
- Anna Hawken and her leadership of the Parenting for Faith team and ministry
- God-inspired creativity for the development of resources to support faith at home
- Maddie Jane and Jenny Smith, who manage and support the ministry team’s involvement at conferences, workshops and seminars

Our God in heaven,
you are the perfect parent
and the one who inspires the ideal for all family life on earth.
Help those who are parents, godparents and parent figures;
those who would love to be parents but never had the chance;
those who are bereaved parents; those who are estranged parents;
and all who struggle with their role as parents.
Surround them with your parental grace and comfort,
assuring them this day of your unfailing love and compassion.
In the name of Jesus. Amen

For the BRF fundraising team

Why should we not have a great parochial fellowship which will be for the purpose of deepening the life of prayer, Bible reading and Holy Communion in each one of us. We will make the venture, believing that God calls us to this.

Leslie Mannering, writing on the eve of the first Bible reading notes in *The Brixton Parish Church Chronicle*

Thought for the week

‘As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master... so our eyes look to the Lord our God.’

PSALM 132:2



Pray with us for

- Julie MacNaughton, who as head of the BRF fundraising team coordinates and nurtures existing and new relationships with supporters and trusts
- Team members David Cowan, Matthew Duval, Judith Moore, Tracey Silvermore and Alice Willington
- New initiatives during this centenary year to grow BRF's supporter base
- The wise use of recent new grants for BRF's work, giving thanks for those donors and funding bodies who have made this possible
- Steadfast faith in the Lord, who promises 'to supply *all your needs* from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in *Christ Jesus*'

Gracious God,
you have planned in Christ to restore all things:
our relationship with you,
our love for one another,
our care for your world
and our concern for every living creature under heaven.
Help us to embrace this high calling as your people
and to be committed to
planet-care and people-justice. Amen



For God's mission on earth

I believe prayer changes things, but the Bible teaches me that our prayers are never just about the future. Praying conforms us to God's will in the present. We are comforted in this transformation by looking to God's faithfulness in the past.

Bill Kirklin, *The Upper Room*, January–April 2022

Thought for the week

We spend time with God because in Christ God spent all for us.



Pray with us for

- An ever-greater commitment to God's mission in all aspects of BRF's work
- The mission as expressed through Anna Chaplaincy, which brings God's love closer to older people, to those who are vulnerable and to those who are in care homes
- The mission as expressed in Living Faith's printed and online publications, which open up the Bible in creative ways and help many to encounter God's love afresh
- The mission as expressed in Messy Church, as the resources and support it provides inspire more and more churches to reach out with the good news of God's love
- The mission as expressed in Parenting for Faith, that the next generation may come to know God's love for the world

Lord,
we pray 'Thy kingdom come',
and this is a bigger prayer than we realise:
not just for your reign in our hearts;
not just for your rule in our world;
not just for the reunion of heaven and earth;
but also for the restoration of harmony
between created and creator. Amen

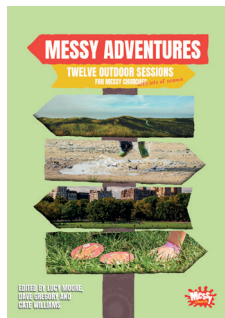
For new BRF resources

Father, help us to make prayer a priority in our lives, even when that means sacrificing other good things. Help us to see the power of prayer and to yearn to put it first. Amen

Rachel Ridler, *Day by Day with God*, January–April 2022

Thought for the week

Praying draws us into an ever-greater awareness of God's presence beyond, beside, among and within us.



Pray with us for

- The BRF Advent book, *Sharing the Christmas Story* by Sally Welch, that it might inspire and encourage all who use it
- The *Messy Adventures* session material encouraging churches and families to enjoy God's creation together
- The publication this month of *The BRF Book of 100 Prayers* by Martyn Payne, a centenary companion volume to *The BRF Book of 365 Bible Reflections*
- BRF's range of prayer and spirituality resources, asking that these may inspire and bless readers in their personal discipleship
- BRF authors and Bible reading notes contributors, that they be gifted with prophetic words which speak into the lives of their readers

Music-maker God,
thank you for your gifts of poetry and song
and of rhythm and rhyme.
Thank you for inspiring the psalmists
with helpful words for praise,
timely prayers for trust,
honest choruses for lament,
and beautiful melodies for hope. Amen



For what next after this centenary year

The Fellowship of St Matthew [which became BRF] will, I am convinced, become a mighty spiritual force under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Leslie Mannering, *The Brixton Parish Church Chronicle*, December 1921



Thought for the week

‘We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.’

2 CHRONICLES 20:12

Pray with us for

- BRF and its future work under God. Using the words of our Centenary Prayer, may BRF be ‘ambitious for God’s glory’ and ‘open to new opportunities’
- New pray-ers to join the family of BRF intercessors
- Those who regularly use the prayers and biddings in this diary, that they might be richly blessed as they join in with BRF’s work
- Martyn Payne and Karen Laister, who put this prayer diary together, asking for inspiration for them in planning future editions
- The process of writing a new BRF prayer, which will be under way soon, asking that this prayer will reflect the future direction and ministries that God is giving to BRF

Lord,
everything in this world of yours is sacred,
made by you, loved by you and sustained by you.
Forgive us for the harm we have caused
to your created order, to our fellow creatures and to one another.
We repent of our sin and ask for your help
to change our attitudes as individuals, as churches and as nations,
so that once again everything might declare your glory
as at the beginning. Amen

To enable all ages to grow in faith



Good, good God, with hearts full of gratitude, we especially want to celebrate all the good you have done for and through BRF over the past 100 years. Amen

Erica Roberts, *Bible Reflections for Older People*, January–April 2022

Thought for the week

Learn to tune into God's prayer waves each day. The more we do this, the better the reception we will experience and the greater will be the blessing for ourselves and each other.

Pray with us for

- BRF's intergenerational heart, using these words from our Centenary Prayer: 'We rejoice that from the youngest to the oldest, so many have encountered your word and grown as disciples of Jesus Christ'
- The intergenerational dimension to the ministry of Anna Chaplains, bringing young and old together
- The Living Faith content creation team, as they seek to resource Christian discipleship for all ages in future digital and print materials for the charity
- The all-age value of Messy Church, that it would be embraced by the youngest and the oldest in fun, learning, celebration and community
- Christian homes, where parents, children and young people can grow together in faith

Lord Jesus,
you call us to give in response to your giving yourself for us.
Lead us to opportunities this day
when we can offer our time, talents and resources
to bless others,
trusting your promise that
'the measure we give will be the measure we get back',
'pressed down, shaken together and running over'. Amen



For the worldwide family of BRF



In the Celtic world, places of prayer were often regarded as ‘thin places’, places where the vast distance between earth and heaven seemed to reduce; places where it seemed easier to encounter the presence of the divine.

Henry Hull, *The BRF Book of 365 Bible Reflections* (BRF, 2021)

Thought for the week

Jesus is the bread that comes down from heaven. We are nourished by the bread of Jesus through the prayer, love, encouragement, comfort and guidance others provide for us.

Pray with us for

- BRF, using words from our Centenary Prayer, rejoicing that God has ‘grown BRF from a local network of Bible readers into a worldwide family of ministries’
- Those who read our Bible reading notes online, here and abroad, that they may grow close to God and feel connected this day to the global fellowship of BRF
- Translations of BRF books that are being read across the world
- The online reach of podcasts, webinars and Facebook Live sessions, which link up supporters of BRF overseas
- Our ministry team leaders who are invited to speak online at conferences



**Storytelling God,
you invite us to bring our story
alongside your story,
so that our lives might find
true meaning and lasting joy.
May the stories of Jesus
guide, inspire and shape us today,
so that, in turn, our life stories
may direct others to the good news of your love.
Through Christ our Saviour. Amen**

The BRF Book of 100 Prayers

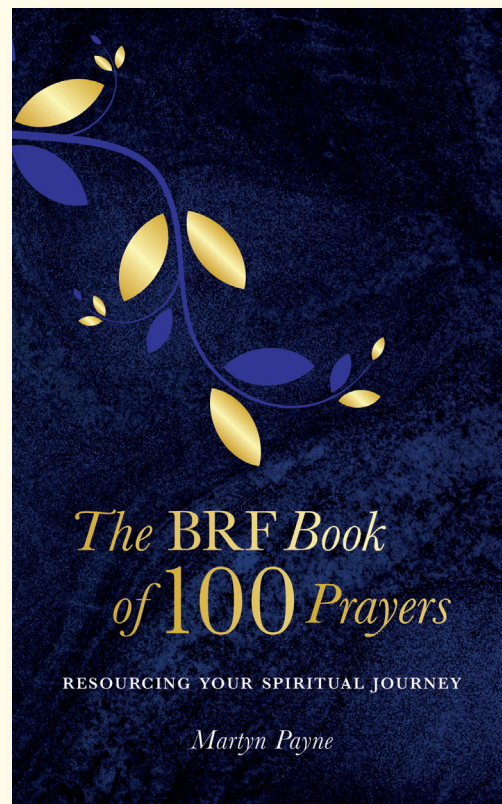
Martyn Payne

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Pray with us...



Gracious God,
when the clouds hide your light,
and the darkness unsteadies our faith with fear,
help us to hold on to you
by the thread of one thankful prayer at a time:
thankful for air to breathe,
for memories of goodness,
for people who care,
for the promises you have made
and for the plans you have for us
to give us a future and a hope.
Amen



Pray with us...

I will travel your road today, Lord Jesus,
though the path may be hard
and the obstacles many.
I will travel your way,
that life that is full
of grace and goodness.



Pray with us...

Lord, help us to enjoy receiving from others as well
as giving out to them.



Pray with us...

Joyful God, I thank you
for this morning and for the gift of life in it,
for this moment that you have given me to spend with you
for the opportunity of this very day to share with you
through the people I meet and the places I shall be...



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The BRF Centenary Prayer

Gracious God,
we rejoice in this centenary year
that you have grown BRF
from a local network of Bible readers
into a worldwide family of ministries.
Thank you for your faithfulness
in nurturing small beginnings
into surprising blessings.
We rejoice that, from the youngest to the oldest,
so many have encountered your word
and grown as disciples of Christ.
Keep us humble in your service,
ambitious for your glory
and open to new opportunities.
For your name's sake
Amen



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