

PRAYER DIARY

January – March 2024

“But my eyes are fixed on you,
Sovereign Lord; in you I take refuge.”

Psalm 141:8



TORCH 

January

YOUR KEY:

TFG = Torch Fellowship Group

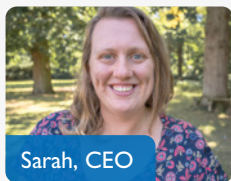
SLFC = Sight Loss Friendly Church

Monday 1

Pray that Christ would be at the centre of the ministry of Torch and that everything the charity does would glorify him.

Tuesday 2

Pray for Torch's new CEO Sarah Dawkins that God would give her wisdom and guidance as she leads Torch in this new season.



Wednesday 3

During winter especially, please pray for our clients' warmth, safety and good health; pray that people get the support they need.

Thursday 4

Give thanks that people can meet online for Torch's Community Prayer time today, pray that it would be a special time of prayer and fellowship.

Friday 5

Pray for the Board of Trustees that God would equip them fully to govern the ministry of Torch.

Saturday 6

Give thanks for all of the volunteers who make TFGs possible, may individuals with sight loss encounter God's love through them.

Sunday 7

Pray that we can reach more churches and support them to become places where people with sight loss can thrive in Christian community.

Monday 8

Give thanks for God's provision for the ministry of Torch.



January

Tuesday 9

Pray for the Leadership Team that Christ would be at the centre of the decisions they make as they manage our team of staff and volunteers.

Wednesday 10

Christian retreats are a great opportunity to grow closer to God, pray for our team as they make plans for the Torch Together holiday programme for 2024.

Thursday 11

Pray that more blind and partially sighted people will get in touch to order a Pathway audio Bible player so they can listen to God's word.

Friday 12

Pray that more people would hear about the *Insights* podcast and be inspired to make church life more accessible.



Saturday 13

As many of our TFGs meet today, pray they would be strengthened and encouraged through their time of fellowship and teaching.

Sunday 14

Pray for those clients who are housebound and unable to attend church, may they find other ways to connect with the Lord today.

Monday 15

As we share our services on social media channels, pray that more people would hear about what we do and sign up to receive resources from Torch.

Tuesday 16

Pray that our *What's New* client magazine will be an encouragement to those who receive it.

Wednesday 17

Give thanks for our volunteer audio editors, pray God will help them in their detailed work.

January

Thursday 18

Pray that God would lead our Development Team as they seek new ways to reach out and support people with sight loss.



Friday 19

Pray for Paul W and Tom as they maintain and improve the Torch IT systems and website.

Saturday 20

As we make plans for Torch Regional Days in 2024, pray for our Regional Coordinators to have fruitful conversations with local groups.

Sunday 21

Give thanks for the opportunity to air our *Reflections* radio show on RNIB Connect and pray that all those who listen will be encouraged.

Monday 22

Pray that God would guide and equip the staff and trustees in Torch Malawi.

Tuesday 23

TFGs provide encouragement and support to those who are blind and partially sighted. Pray that God would raise up new volunteers to set up groups.

Wednesday 24

Give thanks for those who meet together through Torch groups on Zoom and by phone.

Thursday 25

As the daily Bible reading notes are sent out, pray that they would arrive safely and be a blessing to those who receive them.



Friday 26

Pray for the relationships between Torch and other disability charities, that we can find ways to collaborate to serve our clients better.

January/February

Saturday 27

Give thanks for the encouraging stories we have received of how the ministry of Torch is impacting people's lives.



Sunday 28

Pray for those who welcome people to church services today, may God make them mindful of people's needs.

Monday 29

As we carry on the ministry of Compass Braille, sending braille Bibles around the world, pray for new opportunities to expand the work.



Tuesday 30

Pray for the team as they prepare the Easter freebie: may many clients order a copy and draw closer to God through it.

Wednesday 31

Give thanks for all of the Pathway audio Bible players that have been sent out and for everyone who has sponsored these players.

Thursday 1

As the team meet for prayers today, pray that they will be fully equipped by God for their role in the ministry.

Friday 2

Give thanks for the Board of Trustees and pray that God would guide them in their decision making.

Saturday 3

As the team in Malawi travel to visit the fellowship groups and deliver resources, pray for God's protection over them.



Sunday 4

Pray that people will encounter Jesus through our *Reflections* radio show on RNIB Connect.

Monday 5

We believe that God created us each in His image, pray that blind and partially sighted people would know they are loved by God.

February

Tuesday 6

Pray for guidance on the right books and podcasts to share and discuss in our online Book Group and Podcast Group.

Wednesday 7

Pray for the volunteers helping to produce braille Bibles to send around the world.



Thursday 8

Brenda volunteers for Torch creating our text-to-speech audio books and resources, pray that the technology would run smoothly as she works.

Friday 9

Give thanks for all those who support Torch through their prayers, their time and their gifts.

Saturday 10

As many of our TFGs meet today pray that there would be a real sense of joy and God's presence.

Sunday 11

Pray that more churches would access our free training and resources to be sight loss friendly.

Monday 12

Pray for Paul W as he seeks to expand the audio content available from Torch through the website.

Tuesday 13

Pray for the Operations Team as they manage the day-to-day running of Torch.



Wednesday 14

As Lent begins, pray that our clients would grow in their faith over this season of fasting and reflection.

Thursday 15

Give thanks for the opportunities to connect with other people through Torch and pray for those attending the coffee morning at Torch House today.

February

Friday 16

Please pray that our *Insights* podcast back catalogue would continue to be discovered by churches and be a useful resource.

Saturday 17

Pray for *The Torch* magazine as it is sent around the world, may it be a real encouragement to those who receive it.



Sunday 18

Give thanks for Marilyn who hosts our *Reflections* radio show, pray that God would speak to people through her words and songs.

Monday 19

Pray for Keren as she investigates opportunities to exhibit at events to meet more blind and partially sighted people and share the ministry of Torch with them.

Tuesday 20

As our online TFG meets today pray that people would benefit from the time of Christian fellowship.

Wednesday 21

Pray for all of those who have received a Pathway audio Bible player that they would benefit from listening to scripture.



Thursday 22

Pray for Sarah B as she explores new opportunities for supporting people with sight loss.

Friday 23

Pray for strong relationships between Torch and Christian publishers that we can continue to create accessible resources.

Saturday 24

Pray for Jake as he transcribes the Bible into different languages to be distributed across the world, and works closely with the United Bible Society.

February/March

Sunday 25

Pray that people who are blind and partially sighted will be empowered to use their gifts in churches.

Monday 26

Pray for Linn, Becky and our SLFC volunteers as they deliver training to help churches to become sight loss friendly.



Tuesday 27

Pray that people who have received Pathway players will also be open to using our library or receiving Bible reading notes from Torch.

Wednesday 28

Pray for our Production Team that the machinery will all run smoothly as they prepare resources to send out.

Thursday 29

Clients have described Torch as a lifeline; pray that God would guide more people to Torch so that they too can benefit from the ministry.

Friday 1

Give thanks for our audio volunteers who record all of our Christian books and magazines.

Saturday 2

Pray that the staff and trustees of Torch Malawi will have the resources they need to carry out the work.

Sunday 3

Pray that the UK Church would become more aware of the needs of blind and partially sighted people.

Monday 4

We long to reach out to more blind and partially sighted people; pray for God's guidance on the best ways to do this.



Tuesday 5

Pray that people who have received a free Pathway audio Bible player would sign up as clients and benefit from other services from Torch.

March

Wednesday 6

Give thanks that we can send items throughout the UK and around the world for free through the Articles for the Blind provision; pray that items will arrive safely.

Thursday 7

Pray that we can connect to the right people at local sight loss agencies so they can offer our services to people experiencing sight loss.

Friday 8

Give thanks for the gifts we receive from grants and trusts and pray that God would give us favour as we reach out to new organisations to partner with us.

Saturday 9

Give thanks that we can produce *Premier Christianity* in accessible formats, pray that it helps people to grow in their faith.



Sunday 10

On this Sabbath day pray for our volunteers that God would give them times of rest and strengthen them for all they do to serve his kingdom.

Monday 11

As the staff team meet to start the week in prayer, please pray for their safety, well-being and that God would use them powerfully to impact the lives of those with sight loss.

Tuesday 12

Pray for the Leadership Team and Trustees that God would guide them as they lead Torch in this season.

Wednesday 13

Give thanks for the opportunity to work with Bible societies to send braille Bibles around the world.

Thursday 14

Pray for the strengthening of relationships with publishers that they would be proactive in making accessible versions of their resources.

March

Friday 15

Pray for wisdom and guidance on Torch's international work as we seek to reconnect with braille libraries, specialist schools and other organisations overseas.

Saturday 16

Many of our TFGs need more volunteers, pray that they will find the right people with a heart for those with sight loss.



Sunday 17

Pray that we would be successful as we reach out to churches to raise awareness of the needs of blind and partially sighted people.

Monday 18

Pray that our Client Services Team would have the right words to encourage people and give them hope.

Tuesday 19

Give thanks for the Churches for All network and pray that we would be effective in working together to make churches more inclusive.

Wednesday 20

Pray for the Finance Committee for discernment and wisdom as they make decisions and ensure we are good stewards of all God has given us.

Thursday 21

Pray for those with sight loss who feel isolated, may they be encouraged by the support they receive from Torch.

Friday 22

Give thanks for the website which means that people can access resources from Torch even when we are closed.



Saturday 23

Give thanks for the legacy of all those who have served God through Torch and for those who chose to make a gift in their will.

March

Sunday 24

Pray for Grace who produces our *Reflections* radio show, pray that God would give her inspiration as she plans each episode.

Monday 25

Give thanks for the technology that allows us to create accessible resources, meet online and manage the library and e-shop.

Tuesday 26

Pray for the authors of our daily Bible reading notes that God would breathe his life into the words so that people would be blessed as they read them.

Wednesday 27

Please pray for Ildi and James as they prepare accessible versions of books and magazines.



Thursday 28

Give thanks for those churches that have signed up as SLFCs and pray that they would take onboard all they have learned through our training.

Friday 29

Pray that our clients would encounter Jesus in a deeper way this Easter as we remember Christ's sacrifice on the cross.



Saturday 30

As our staff team take time off over the Easter weekend, pray for God's refreshing.

Sunday 31

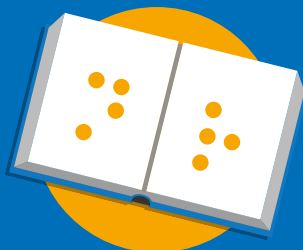
Pray that more blind and partially sighted people would know the hope of Easter Sunday and find new life through our risen Saviour.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of Torch through your prayers and gifts.

Torch relies on the generosity of our faithful supporters, and your financial gifts to Torch are vital for our ministry. Your support enables those with sight loss to grow in faith and thrive in Christian community.




£20 pays for someone with sight loss to receive the Bible on a Pathway audio player.



£150 enables Torch to produce ten copies of a resource in accessible formats.

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