PRAYER DIARY

April – June 2023

"I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth."

Job 19:25
YOUR KEY:
TFG = Torch Fellowship Group
SLFC = Sight Loss Friendly Church

Saturday 1
Pray for everyone attending the Torch regional event in Banbridge today as people gather from across Northern Ireland.

Sunday 2
Give thanks for all the Easter Freebies we were able to send out to people with sight loss and pray that the devotionals were an encouragement.

Monday 3
Give thanks for Tom joining the team at Torch and pray for him as he manages the computers and essential IT equipment.

Tuesday 4
Pray for those who have received a Pathway audio Bible from Torch that they would really enjoy listening to the Bible and grow in their faith.

Wednesday 5
Torch’s befriending service is there to offer people support in the challenges they face as they lose their sight, pray it will be a source of comfort and hope.

Thursday 6
Pray for the preparations for the Torch Together holidays that the group dynamics and the pairings of volunteers and guests work well.

Friday 7
Give thanks for the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, and give thanks for those who have volunteered for Torch devoting their lives to the ministry and the kingdom.

Saturday 8
Pray for those who run and attend our TFGs, may they be a great source of support to those with sight loss.
Sunday 9
As we celebrate Easter Sunday we give thanks for the hope of resurrection. Pray that Torch can share this hope with more people with sight loss around the world.

Monday 10
Torch seeks to be a place where people with sight loss feel accepted and that they belong, pray that this would be the experience of every person who encounters Torch.

Tuesday 11
Pray that those attending Torch Together in Scarborough will have safe journeys and that the week would be a wonderful time of discipleship, fellowship and fun.

Wednesday 12
Pray for the writers of our Bible reading notes, for inspiration and relevant application.

Thursday 13
Pray for Laura and Suzanne as they take calls and respond to emails, may God guide them and comfort them as they comfort others.

Friday 14
As the staff and guests travel home from the Torch Together holiday let us pray that their time with God and one another will bear lasting fruit.

Saturday 15
Give thanks for all of our TFGs who meet together, offering people support, a place to belong, and the opportunity to encounter Jesus.

Sunday 16
Give thanks for all those churches who seek to make church accessible to those with sight loss and pray that we would connect with more churches.

Monday 17
Pray for Tina as she manages the day-to-day finances and give thanks for all the financial support Torch receives.
Tuesday 18
Conditions for those who are blind and partially sighted in Malawi can be harsh; pray that people will hear about the support offered by Torch Malawi.

Wednesday 19
Give thanks for our machinery that allows us to create braille, large print and audio resources, pray that these machines would keep working well.

Thursday 20
Give thanks for God’s provision for Torch and for all those who support the ministry through prayer, giving and volunteering.

Friday 21
Every Friday our new Insights podcast is published, pray God would lead Linn and Matthew as they discuss topics that impact people with sight loss.

Saturday 22
Pray for the Torch regional event in Bristol today, may it be a blessing to gather together from across the south west.

Sunday 23
Give thanks for the freedom and opportunity to broadcast our Reflections radio programme on many platforms.

Monday 24
As the staff team meet for prayer at the start of the week pray that Christ would be at the centre of all we do at Torch.

Tuesday 25
Torch is seeking new trustees to join the team in guiding the ministry; pray God would connect us to the right individuals.
**Wednesday 26**
As Torch explores new possibilities for using technology to make books accessible pray for guidance to the best solutions that will be easy for people to use.

**Thursday 27**
Pray for Paul Rhodes as he reaches out to other sight loss agencies and organisations to see how we can support younger people with sight loss.

**Friday 28**
Pray for those who have recently been diagnosed with sight loss that they would be able to adapt and find the support they need.

**Saturday 29**
Give thanks for our Regional Coordinators who volunteer their time to support our TFGs across the UK, pray for strong, supportive relationships.

**Sunday 30**
Pray for relationships with other organisations promoting inclusivity for those with disabilities in the church, that the whole body of Christ would be recognised and valued.

**Monday 1**
Pray for Tim, Mandy, Linda and Paul Wood that God would equip and strengthen them as they lead the ministry.

**Tuesday 2**
Pray for the right people to sign up as volunteers for our Torch Together holiday in Grange-over-Sands at the end of July.

**Wednesday 3**
Give thanks for the opportunities to connect with other believers online, at our community prayer time and virtual events.

**Thursday 4**
As the staff team meet for devotions pray that God would guide each of the team in how they can best serve those with sight loss.
**Friday 5**
Pray that more Christians will listen to our *Insights* podcast and be challenged and equipped to make their church more inclusive.

**Saturday 6**
As many of our TFGs meet today pray for safe journeys and for all the volunteers who make these groups possible.

**Sunday 7**
Pray that God would guide Grace and Marilyn as they plan, produce and present our *Reflections* radio programme.

**Monday 8**
Torch has a wealth of resources available in its library, pray that more people would hear about it and sign up.

**Tuesday 9**
Pray for the leadership and trustees of Torch Malawi as they make decisions and carry more responsibility for the ministry in Malawi.

**Wednesday 10**
Give thanks for our relationships with publishers that allow us to make accessible copies of resources, pray that publishers will become proactive and seek to make all their books accessible.

**Thursday 11**
Pray for our board of trustees as they meet for the annual general meeting.

**Friday 12**
Sadly items go missing in the post each month, pray that our accessible resources would reach people safely and that returned library books would not go astray.

**Saturday 13**
As people from across the Midlands meet for the Torch Central regional event pray that people would be encouraged by this time of fellowship.
Sunday 14
In a season of rising prices pray for God’s provision for the ministry.

Monday 15
Pray for wisdom and discernment for Keren as she selects resources to make available and makes arrangements with publishers.

Tuesday 16
Pray for our volunteer audio editors, for accuracy and wisdom in their checking.

Wednesday 17
Give thanks for the positive feedback we have received about Pathway audio Bible players, how people are enjoying being able to listen to the Bible.

Thursday 18
Pray for the Thy Kingdom Come global wave of prayer, for more people to come to know the love and peace of Jesus which Torch is supporting.

Friday 19
Pray for Mike Townsend as chair of trustees that God would lead his thoughts and thinking as the trustees make plans for Torch.

Saturday 20
Pray that God would create new partnerships for Torch to provide free audio Bibles to those with sight loss.

Sunday 21
Give thanks for the scriptures that are being produced by Torch Malawi and pray for protection over the team and the equipment.

Monday 22
Pray for those who have found their eye sight is deteriorating and who are struggling with other health issues.

Tuesday 23
Torch has been through a season of change; pray for the staff with different roles that God would equip them in their new areas of work.
Wednesday 24
Pray for Mark and Micky as they work in production and manage the Torch library.

Thursday 25
Give thanks for the successful grant applications in this financial year and pray that other trusts will consider our requests for support to build the ministry.

Friday 26
Pray for our relationships with suppliers that we can acquire the resources we need to create our accessible books.

Saturday 27
Pray for James and Grace who produce our Torch Tales podcast and give thanks for the testimonies of those they interview.

Sunday 28
Give thanks for those who use our SLFC resources and are actively seeking to learn how to support those with sight loss in their community.

Monday 29
Torch has such a rich history, give thanks for the legacy of those who have been part of Torch over the years and pray God would raise up a new generation to continue the ministry.

Tuesday 30
Pray for Becky and the team as they plan and prepare for the Torch Together Poole holiday in June.

Wednesday 31
Give thanks for the opportunities to connect with people digitally, pray that our social media channels will reach more people.

Thursday 1
Pray for our audio transcribers, especially when meeting a deadline for a newly published book.
**Friday 2**
Pray for those with sight loss who feel excluded, may God guide them to Torch and to a church family where they feel they belong.

**Saturday 3**
Give thanks for the many lives impacted by Torch, both those who receive support and those who have volunteered or worked in the ministry.

**Sunday 4**
Pray for connections with church leaders that they would be aware and promote the resources and services Torch can offer to those with sight loss.

**Monday 5**
Give thanks for those who have contributed to the ministry in many different ways and for the gifts left in wills that fund so much of what Torch does.

**Tuesday 6**
Pray for insight and wisdom for the trustees as they seek to help Torch navigate a challenging season in the charity sector.

**Wednesday 7**
Give thanks for the relationships Torch has with trusts and grant makers, and pray for Suzie as she manages these applications.

**Thursday 8**
Pray that Christ would be the centre of everything at Torch and pray especially that his presence would be felt today as the staff team meet at Torch House.

**Friday 9**
Pray that the scriptures and Bible reading notes people receive will speak into their lives and help them to grow in their faith.

**Saturday 10**
Our TFGs are great at welcoming people, pray that through them many more individuals with sight loss will encounter the love of Jesus.
**Sunday 11**
Pray for God’s favour as we reach out to other organisations to promote our free Pathway audio Bibles.

**Monday 12**
Pray that everyone will soon settle in on the Torch Together Poole holiday and that people’s hearts would be open to receive all God has for them this week.

**Tuesday 13**
What’s New magazine informs our clients across the UK of books available through Torch, pray that they would find resources in there to help them grow in their faith.

**Wednesday 14**
Pray for our CEO, Tim, that God would continue to guide and equip him to lead Torch.

**Thursday 15**
Give thanks for the Church, the body of Christ, his hands and feet, pray that more churches will reach out to those with sight loss in their community.

**Friday 16**
As the staff, guests and volunteers return home from Torch Together Poole pray for safe journeys and that seeds that have been planted in their hearts will flourish.

**Saturday 17**
Pray for Ildi and James as they work behind the scenes to make resources available in accessible formats.

**Sunday 18**
Pray that our *Reflections* radio programme would reach more people with sight loss that they can share the hope we have in Jesus.

**Monday 19**
Give thanks for the gifts we have received both from individuals and from Christian trusts so we can provide free Pathway audio Bibles to those with sight loss.
**Tuesday 20**
Pray for God’s guidance on our international work and that the Torch magazine which is sent worldwide would be an encouragement to those who receive it.

**Wednesday 21**
Pray for Becky and the team as they prepare for our Torch Together holiday in Grange-over-Sands at the end of July.

**Thursday 22**
Give thanks for the goat project in Malawi and for meetings with local chiefs to ensure the security of the animals.

**Friday 23**
Pray for our board of trustees that God would give them insight and wisdom as they make decisions.

**Saturday 24**
Pray for the planning and preparations for the Torch regional event in Scotland in September.

**Sunday 25**
There are so many demands on people’s time; pray that people will find the space to read the resources they receive from Torch and be uplifted.

**Monday 26**
Pray that Torch would be a source of support to those with sight loss and equip them on their faith journey.

**Tuesday 27**
Pray for the Torch Malawi staff, for safety and God’s strength to carry out their work often in difficult conditions.

**Wednesday 28**
Pray for the planning of our Torch Together retreat at Torch House in October.

**Thursday 29**
As the team meet for prayer may God provide inspiration and creative solutions to the challenges in our ministry.

**Friday 30**
As we promote our Insights podcast today on social media pray that God would guide people to listen and be inspired.
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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