

PRAYER DIARY

January – March 2022

Blessed are those whose help is the
God of Jacob, whose hope is in the
Lord their God.

Psalm 146:5



TORCH



January

YOUR KEY:

TFG = Torch Fellowship Group

SLFC = Sight Loss Friendly Church

Saturday 1

Pray for our clients, especially those who are isolated, that God would give them hope and strength for the New Year.

Sunday 2

Give thanks that we can broadcast *Reflections*, on RNIB radio; pray many would be blessed as they listen.

Monday 3

As the staff team return to work pray for God's protection, guidance and blessing on all they do.



Tuesday 4

Pray that our audio editors will maintain diligence and concentration as they carry out their exacting work.

Wednesday 5

Give thanks for the books clients received in braille, large print and audio over the Christmas period; pray they would be encouraged and inspired.

Thursday 6

Pray for the production team that equipment would run smoothly so we can get resources out to those who need them.

Friday 7

Pray for those experiencing sight loss that they would receive the care and support they need at this time.

January

Saturday 8

As TFGs meet in Malawi pray for protection and that God's love would be felt by all who attend.

Sunday 9

We pray for more Sight Loss Friendly Churches to develop an interest in starting new Torch Groups.

Monday 10

Pray for the planning of *Torch Together* events, for God's protection and for a smooth booking process for all attending.

Tuesday 11

Give thanks for the leadership team and pray that God would give them clarity as they meet and plan for the year ahead.

Wednesday 12

Pray for new volunteers to come forward to help with the *Torch together* holidays, TFGs and SLFC.

Thursday 13

Pray for the team as they prepare the *What's New* magazine and for guidance on what resources to make available.

Friday 14

Give thanks for our CEO Tim and pray that God would give him connections and opportunities to share the work of Torch more widely.



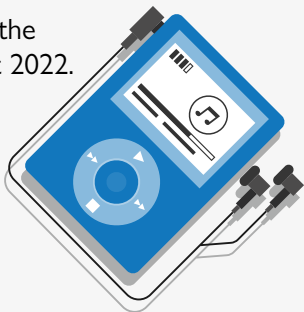
January

Saturday 15

Pray for volunteers to help with the *Torch Together* events throughout 2022.

Sunday 16

Pray for guidance as we seek new opportunities to share our *Reflections* on podcast platforms and on other radio stations.



Monday 17

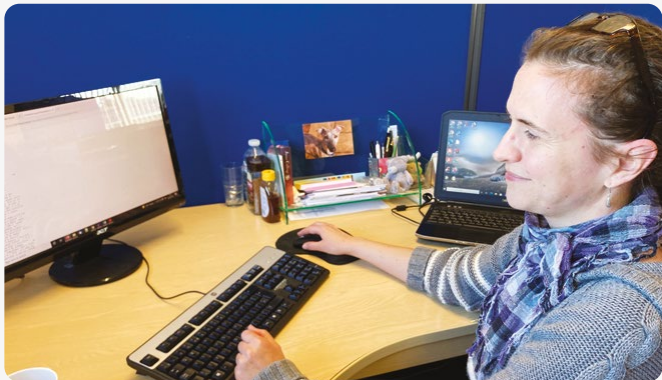
Pray for strong relationships with Sight Loss Agencies that many will promote our offer of a free audio Bible to those with sight loss.

Tuesday 18

Give thanks for all those who support Torch financially and through prayer.

Wednesday 19

Pray for our transcription team, for James and Ildi as they ensure that materials are made accessible.



Thursday 20

Give thanks for Torch House, a dedicated space to carry out the work; pray that all who visit would feel inspired and encouraged.

Friday 21

Pray for Mandy and Leonard as they coordinate the TFGs and the *Torch Together* events, for God's leading.

January

Saturday 22

Pray for wisdom for Joan Coulter as she matches befrienders with clients.

Sunday 23

Pray for inspiration for the authors of books and magazines which we can turn into life-giving accessible Christian literature.

Monday 24

We pray that our book groups would be blessed through what they read as well as through their fellowship together.

Tuesday 25

Give thanks for all of the technology that helps Torch run smoothly and pray God's protection against any cyber attacks.

Wednesday 26

Pray for plans for the new website which will allow clients to access services 24/7 not just when our phone lines are open.

Thursday 27

Pray for good relationships with publishers, that we can secure access to resources to bless those with sight loss.

Friday 28

Pray for our suppliers that they will be able to continue to provide the services and the materials we need for production.

Saturday 29

Pray for the befrienders, for good conversations that build people up and encourage them.

Sunday 30

Give thanks for Mike Townsend our chair of Trustees and pray God's blessing on him and his wife, Edith, who also volunteers with Torch.

Monday 31

Pray for God's leading and fresh ideas as we plan for next year's *Torch Together* holidays.

February

Tuesday 1

Pray that we would be able to reach new clients so that they can benefit from all of the resources and support Torch offers.

Wednesday 2

Give thanks for the lives of those who have served Torch faithfully as staff, volunteers and supporters in prayer and giving.

Thursday 3

Pray for Michael, Niall and Suzie in the Operations team, and that God would provide the resources to keep Torch running smoothly.

Friday 4

Pray for good relationships with other sight loss charities and organisations.

Saturday 5

Give thanks for our Regional Coordinators and for God's blessing on all their contact with local TFGs.

Sunday 6

Pray for those who are housebound and maybe feel ostracised from the church or forgotten because of their disabilities.

Monday 7

Give thanks that God has given us good partnerships with other agencies and pray he will build and strengthen these further.

Tuesday 8

Pray for Becky and Matthew, for blessing on their work, and especially tonight as they lead the SLFC catch up.

Wednesday 9

Pray for enough volunteers for each *Torch Together* holiday and for the right people to apply.

Thursday 10

Give thanks for all those who volunteer their time to support the ministry of Torch.

February

Friday 11

Pray that through Sight Loss Agencies and clinics many people will hear about our free audio Bible offer and receive the word of God.

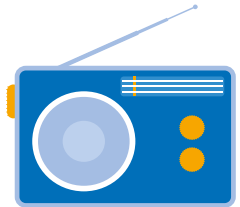
Saturday 12

Pray that our social media and website will attract people to the ministry and provide them with the information they need.



Sunday 13

Pray for all those listening to our radio programme live and those who will listen to podcasts and CDs of the programme.



Monday 14

Pray for Keren as she manages the library and talks to publishers to secure the rights to reproduce books in accessible formats.

Tuesday 15

Pray for our elderly clients who struggle to get out in the colder weather; may they be encouraged as they read resources from Torch.

Wednesday 16

Pray for wisdom for the befrienders as they support clients with sight loss over the phone.

Thursday 17

Pray for our volunteer audio transcribers, for help in how to best express the text they have been given and strength to keep going.

Friday 18

Give thanks for Paul Wood's skill as he maintains the computer network and website, updating and repairing equipment.



February

Saturday 19

Pray that God would call new individuals to step forward to become trustees at Torch.

Sunday 20

Give thanks for the impact Torch has had on countless lives through literature, groups and holidays.

Monday 21

Pray for Paul, Mickey and Mark as they keep production flowing smoothly.

Tuesday 22

Pray for the staff team in Malawi as they seek to share the good news of Jesus and offer practical support to those who are blind and partially sighted.



Wednesday 23

Give thanks for the way in which Torch Groups have been able to innovate and adapt during this period.

Thursday 24

Pray for Laura, Tina and Suzanne as they take calls and pray with people that God would give them the right words for each moment.

Friday 25

Pray for continued spiritual encouragement and the building of relationships and community through *Torch Together* online and in person.

Saturday 26

As Tim and Paul plan and prepare to visit Torch Malawi please pray God's protection and that this can go ahead.

Sunday 27

Pray for all our SLFCs today that they would be fully equipped to engage with anyone with sight loss in their congregation.

Monday 28

As the staff team meet pray for God's guidance and provision for the week ahead.

March

Tuesday 1

Pray for those who have been made to feel inferior because of their sight loss and other disabilities that they would know the truth of God's love.

Wednesday 2

Give thanks for the newly formed Maseya Fellowship Group in Malawi and pray that all the groups can meet safely.

Thursday 3

Pray that publishers and authors will seek partnerships with Torch to make their books available to all.

Friday 4

Give thanks for the free postal service Articles for the Blind, pray materials will be delivered safely to those who need them.

Saturday 5

Pray for TFGs as they meet together and support each other over the phone; may God bless those relationships.

Sunday 6

As churches meet across the UK pray they would be aware of the needs of those with sight loss.

Monday 7

Pray for our leadership team, Tim, Michael, Paul and Mandy for insight and discernment in all they do.

Tuesday 8

Pray for wisdom as we continue to develop the effectiveness of synthetic audio, so useful for urgently required course material.

Wednesday 9

Give thanks for each befriender providing a listening ear and encouragement for people with sight loss.

Thursday 10

Pray for new partnerships with Christian trusts that they will see the value of our ministry and want to support us.

Friday 11

Give thanks for the all those who help production in getting books and magazines out to our clients and supporters.

March

Saturday 12

Pray for opportunities to share about the ministry of Torch at exhibitions, conferences and forums that we may reach new clients.

Sunday 13

Give thanks for all the clients who have shared their stories; may God continue to build them up in hope and strength.

Monday 14

Pray that those who have received the free Pathway player with its audio Bible will listen and be blessed by what they hear.

Tuesday 15

Please pray for our client surveys, that we will be able to make contact and receive the feedback we need to improve our services.

Wednesday 16

Pray for new connections with denominations to raise awareness of our SLFC initiative.

Thursday 17

Give thanks for the opportunity to welcome visitors to Torch House again. And give thanks for all those interested in the ministry.

Friday 18

Pray God's protection over the staff and the equipment in Malawi that production of Christian braille resources can continue.

Saturday 19

We give thanks for all those who come together to pray for Torch at the Community Prayer Time.

Sunday 20

As we seek new volunteers to help record and edit interviews for *Reflections* pray God would connect us to the right people.

Monday 21

Pray for *Torch Together* in Scarborough from 4th-8th April for God's blessing on the plans and preparations of the team.

March

Tuesday 22

Pray for good conversations with our clients that; Suzanne, Tina and Laura can help or signpost clients to the services they need.

Wednesday 23

Pray for guidance as we explore ways to deliver resources through smart speakers and the use of e-braille.

Thursday 24

We give thanks for those who pray for Torch from outside of the U.K.

Friday 25

Give thanks for Ife Akintunde joining the board of Trustees and pray that God would lead them in their decision making.



Saturday 26

Pray for the leadership of TFGs and for the regional coordinators that support them.

Sunday 27

Pray for all those with sight loss attending church today that they have a positive experience, and for any unable to leave home.

Monday 28

Pray the Torch Library would be well used and that readers will continue to be blessed by the books they receive.

Tuesday 29

Pray for the SLFC team as they work to create online resources for churches to access anytime and that these will be well used.

Wednesday 30

Pray for Christian organisations, charities and national denominations to consider the needs of those with sight loss more deeply.

Thursday 31

Pray for those who use the *Digital Cafe*, that this would be a source of support and encouragement.

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.



£24 pays for the USB drives for an individual to receive audio Bible reading notes for a year.



£120 enables Torch to run a 'Focus in' training session to equip churches to be Sight Loss Friendly.

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