PRAYER DIARY

April – June 2024

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; his love endures forever."

Psalm 107:1



April

YOUR KEY:

TFG = Torch Fellowship Group SLFC = Sight Loss Friendly Church

Monday 1

Give thanks on Easter Monday for this time of celebrating Jesus' resurrection and what that means for all of God's people.



Tuesday 2

As new staff join our team, pray that they will settle in well and feel truly welcomed to the Torch community.

Wednesday 3

Pray that all the spaces on our Torch Together holidays this year will be taken, and that the booking process will run smoothly.

Thursday 4

Please pray for current braille Bible transcription projects, which include Urdu, Kazakh and Spanish, plus a belated English NIV 2011. May they go smoothly with high quality results.

Friday 5

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

Saturday 6

Give thanks for all of our TFGs which offer people support, a place to belong and the opportunity to encounter Jesus.

Sunday 7

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



Monday 8

Give thanks for all the different ways that people contribute to Torch's ministry and for the gifts left in wills which fund so much of our work.

April

Tuesday 9

Give thanks for the relationships we have with publishers to secure the rights to transcribe books and magazines, may God create new partnerships.

Wednesday 10

Pray for the Goat Project run by Torch Malawi, that it will be a real blessing to all those who have received a goat as part of the scheme.



Thursday 11

Our Podcast Group meets today on Zoom, please pray that it runs smoothly and brings the joy of community to those who attend.

Friday 12

Pray for all who have received a Pathway player, may it be a source of comfort and enable them to grow in faith.

Saturday 13

We believe every Christian has a role to play in the body of Christ, let us pray that all churches would be accessible and inclusive.



Sunday 14

Pray that the free postal service 'Articles for the Blind' would continue to operate around the world and that people would receive their resources on time.

Monday 15

Pray for James as he liaises with Christian publishers to get accessible book files.

Tuesday 16

Please pray that all the braille Bible volumes produced would reach their destinations and richly bless and equip the readers.

Wednesday 17

Pray that those who attend today's SLFC training would find the session helpful and encourage them to continue to welcome blind and partially sighted people.

April

Thursday 18

Pray for our monthly coffee morning taking place today at Torch House, may it bring both physical and spiritual refreshment to those attending.



Friday 19

Pray that God would bring clarity of vision to the trustees in Torch Malawi to show them how they can best support people with sight loss.

Saturday 20

Give thanks for the Leeds TFG as they celebrate their 50th anniversary today.

Sunday 21

Pray for our audio editors, for concentration and good judgement, that the audio books would be easy to listen to.



Monday 22

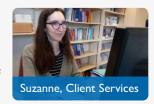
Pray that more churches would access our free training and resources to be sight loss friendly.

Tuesday 23

Pray for Paul R, Micky and Mark who work so hard to produce and despatch all of our accessible resources.

Wednesday 24

Pray for our Client Services team as they answer phone calls and emails, may God guide them in every communication.



Thursday 25

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

Friday 26

Pray for volunteer Brenda who produces our text-to-speech audio books.

April/May

Saturday 27

Give thanks for the Goat Project in Malawi and for the careful planning and vet involvement to ensure the security and health of the animals.



Sunday 28

Pray for every member of our Digital Café on Facebook, may it be a place of friendship, community and sharing God's love.

Monday 29

Pray that other sight loss charities and organisations would actively promote our free Pathway audio Bibles.

Tuesday 30

Pray for Ildi in our transcription team, she has been a vital part of Torch for many years and her work is much appreciated.



Wednesday 1

Pray for Linn as she works hard in the Development Team, exploring new opportunities for Torch to take up.

Thursday 2

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



Friday 3

Please pray that the braille machines would work well and that we can source good quality materials at good prices.

Saturday 4

Pray for our CEO, Sarah D, that God would continue to guide and equip her to lead Torch.

Sunday 5

Give thanks for Torch House and all the specialised equipment needed to run the ministry; pray God's protection over this place.



May

Monday 6

Pray for Linda as she handles the financial aspects of Torch's ministry, give thanks for her skills and abilities which are so vital to the role.

Tuesday 7

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.

Wednesday 8

Torch are exhibiting today at the Vision Zone Exhibition, Stratford-upon-Avon. Pray that it will be helpful to people with sight loss who attend.

Thursday 9

Please pray for Torch's Board of Trustees as they meet today to conduct the business of the Annual General Meeting.



Friday 10

Pray for Jake as he works remotely, may he feel part of the Torch team and may he know God's presence throughout his work.

Saturday 11

Pray that God would provide connections with churches and other Christian organisations to raise awareness of Torch's ministry.

Sunday 12

Pray for Marilyn as she hosts our *Reflections* radio show, give thanks for her warm personality and passion for the work.



Monday 13

Pray for Sarah B as she works to develop new offerings from Torch, may she feel God's guidance throughout this work.

Tuesday 14

Pray that all the communications we send out into the world are guided by God, and are useful, positive and helpful to those who receive them.

May

Wednesday 15

Give thanks for the testimony of answered prayer at Torch and for all those who continue to faithfully pray for the ministry.



Thursday 16

Pray for our volunteer audio editors as they tidy up the recordings of our books and Bible notes.

Friday 17

Pray that the regular maintenance and upkeep of Torch House would run smoothly.

Saturday 18

Pray for the team at Torch Malawi, may God walk alongside them as they seek to support the blind people of Malawi.



Sunday 19

Pray that more blind and partially sighted young people would hear about the ministry of Torch so we can share the Good News with them.

Monday 20

Give thanks for our trustees and pray that God would guide them as they seek to understand His calling for Torch.

Tuesday 21

Pray for *Torch News*, our quarterly newsletter, that each issue will be written with God's hand upon it.



Wednesday 22

Please pray that the proof readers of new braille Bible transcription projects will enjoy the work, spot any errors and communicate well with us.

Thursday 23

Please pray that those joining Torch's monthly Audio Book Group today will experience fun, fellowship and a real sense of God's presence.

Friday 24

Give thanks for Mandy and her kind and thoughtful approach to all of her work and responsibilities.

May/June

Saturday 25

Pray for TFGs meeting around the UK today, pray they really enjoy this time together with each other and with God.



Sunday 26

Pray for our podcast content, may it reach those who will benefit from hearing it.

Monday 27

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

Tuesday 28

Give thanks for all the books in our accessible lending library, may they be a blessing to those who read them.

Wednesday 29

Pray for the planning and preparations as Torch exhibits at various events around the UK.

Thursday 30

As the team gather for staff prayers this morning pray that each team member would sense God's presence and feel his encouragement in their work.

Friday 31

Give thanks for the technology that makes so much of what Torch does possible, pray that equipment will work smoothly.

Saturday 1

Pray for our audio transcribers as they record Christian books and magazines.



Sunday 2

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

Monday 3

Pray for Torch's expert panel leading an SLFC Q&A on Zoom today, that they would have wisdom and insight to answer questions well.

June

Tuesday 4

Today is our annual Day of Prayer, give thanks to God on this special day and pray for all Torch's ministry and those involved.



Wednesday 5

Pray for the staff, for safety and God's strength to carry out their work often in difficult conditions in Malawi.

Thursday 6

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

Friday 7

Torch Together holidays offer an opportunity to grow closer to God; pray that God would lead the right people to book on to our Torch Together holidays as guests and as volunteers.



Saturday 8

We give thanks for all of the Regional events which are taking place this year. May they be a time of fellowship, reflection and celebration.

Sunday 9

Give thanks for the many people who have volunteered for Torch since the charity began, they have all made such a difference.



Monday 10

Pray for the attendees of our first Torch Together holiday this year, which begins today in Poole. May they encounter Jesus, have a sense of belonging and support, and grow in faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Tuesday 11

Pray for Becky and the team of staff & volunteers as they run the Torch Together holiday in Poole.

Wednesday 12

Pray that God would provide our staff with abundant opportunities to share with others the ministry of Torch more widely.

June

Thursday 13

Pray for our leadership team, Sarah D, Mandy, Linda and Paul W, that God would lead them as they seek to guide the ministry.



Friday 14

Pray for the safe delivery of our resources to those who need them.

Saturday 15

Give thanks for our Partners in Prayer who faithfully respond to our regular prayer requests.

Sunday 16

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



Monday 17

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 18

Pray for the planning of each edition of What's New, may it be guided by God's wisdom and love.

Wednesday 19

Pray for Tina as she handles the important behind-the-scenes operations work that makes Torch run smoothly.

Thursday 20

Pray for Torch to keep our values (being Christ-centred, open, creative and people-focused) at the heart of all our work.

Friday 21

Pray that God would give us insight to understand the needs of those with sight loss and that together we could meet those needs.



June

Saturday 22

Please pray for Paul R and the production team as they produce and dispatch braille Bible volumes in Urdu and in several Indian and African languages.

Sunday 23

Pray God would heal the hurt that is often felt by those who are sidelined by churches because they are blind or partially sighted.



Monday 24

Give thanks for all those who support Torch through their prayers, their time and their gifts and we pray that more people may consider leaving a legacy to Torch.

Tuesday 25

Pray as we make plans for our Thanksgiving celebration which will take place later this year, may God lead our planning.

Wednesday 26

We often receive orders and bookings from family or friends on behalf of individuals with sight loss, we thank God for them and pray God will bless them as they offer support to their loved one.

Thursday 27

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.

Friday 28

Pray for our trustees, that God would lead their thinking and planning as they work together through the year for Torch.



Saturday 29

Give thanks for the wonderful opportunities we have to meet in fellowship with people with sight loss, may we work with sensitivity and wisdom.

Sunday 30

Pray for those who support Torch but are unknown to us; their prayer and well-wishes are very much appreciated.

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.



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