

Prayer Calendar for October week 3

14th

As many of us face new restrictions because of the pandemic, we pray that they may be effective, but also remember those who dread further loneliness, depression and feel afraid. May they know that they are loved and valued as children of God.

15th

Positive Pathways, our bereavement support group, continues to meet this evening on Zoom. We pray for them and for those who support them in their search for their “new normal”. We remember too those whose loved ones have died in recent months but without the comfort of their presence or support.

16th

Tearfund have asked for prayer for Lebanon and especially for devastated Beirut which has fallen out of the news. We pray for all who have been wounded, lost loved ones or their homes and livelihood and ask God to give Tearfund and other workers wisdom to know how best to respond.

17th

We pray for all working for Crossreach all over Scotland in these changing and challenging times. Pray for protection for staff and service users, particularly those struggling with isolation and loneliness.

Sunday, 18th

We give thanks that the hoped-for Pioneer ministry to help us form our Church’s 2030 vision to find ways to reach out to our community and new ways of worship will soon be a reality. We pray for open hearts and minds to embrace change with hope and love in our hearts.

19th

It is not always easy to hear the voice of our Lord, or to have the courage and fortitude to do His will. It is often in prayer that we find the answers and strength.

20th

This is Black history month, when important people and events in the history of the African diaspora are remembered. In a year when events have made “Black lives matter” so important, we pray that both we as individuals and all nations will face their prejudices and history and be willing to change.