

## June

- 1<sup>st</sup> Pray for the Watkinson family as they bring Jessica for Baptism this morning. Pray that God would be very close to them and that they would receive God's grace at this very special service.  
Also pray for Philip as he preaches at a united service tonight at St Andrew's Church Westlands in Newcastle-Under-Lyme.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Pray for Philip and Chris as they meet to study, pray and work through parish business this afternoon. Pray that this would be a useful and profitable time together.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Continue to pray about our lack of finances at Castle Church, that God would provide all we need to move forward. Also for our new treasurer Sara Deall.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Pray for Philip as he attends the Staffordshire Reform Group today and also that we would have a great time at our monthly Church family Prayer meeting tonight.

### *Church Family Prayer Meeting*

*Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2008*

*7.45-9pm*

Please make every effort to be at this, the most important meeting in our Church Calendar.

***One teenager said this: "God answers prayer four ways:  
yes, no, wait and you've got to be kidding!"***

## *Prayer Diary May 2008*



1 Thessalonians 5:1  
... 'pray continually' ...

This prayer diary is to help you pray for our church family at Castle Church. It makes a suggestion for prayer for each day of the month.

**Try to pray each day, that God would bring a new person, couple or family into the life of Castle Church.**

Alongside these prayers, you might also like to pray for:

- your family, both immediate and extended
- your neighbours who might not know Jesus
- worldwide problems that you see on the news or read in the newspapers
- for our Christian brothers and sisters in other countries who are regularly persecuted because of their faith

also, each time you pray, it's good to:

- thank God for all the blessings in your life
- praise God for who he is and what he's done in dieing for you
- say sorry for all the things in our lives that we have done which we know are wrong.
- read a Psalm from the bible and pray using words from it.

## May

- 8<sup>th</sup> Pray for Philip completing his three day diocesan conference at Shallowford House. Pray that it will have been a useful time.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Pray for the Mandated team as they meet this afternoon to work through different options for our new service pattern. Pray for wisdom and sensitivity.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Pray for Trevor and Darren as they work to serve us with our Castle Church online internet ministry. Pray that the 7000 people who visit our church website each month will ultimately be led towards Jesus.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Pray that we would have a good time meeting together around God's word today. Pray that those who preach would be clear and understandable and ask God's Holy Spirit to work in the lives of those who come into our buildings today.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Pray for our Churchwardens Barbara and Steve as they are sworn into office at the Archdeacons Visitation at Rickerscote tonight. Pray that God will give them wisdom and servant hearts as they work for us here at Castle Church.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Pray for our new PCC as they meet tonight to appoint officers and think through a way forward for our church family and buildings.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Pray for all of our young people who are taking exams in May and June eg SAT's, GCSE's, A2 levels etc. Pray that they would be able to give a good account of themselves in the exam room and that they would have their ultimate trust completely in God.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Pray for our Church choir as they meet to rehearse tonight. Pray that they would continue to serve us with servant hearts.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Pray for the Archdeacon, architects, Vicar and churchwardens as they meet to discuss a way forward for our church buildings this week. Pray that each may have kingdom priorities and living stones when thinking about our physical building.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Pray for Carlos as he leads the fellowship at Highfields. Pray that he would have the time and resources to be able to do God's work there.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Pray for all of our services today, that we would hear God speak to us from his word and that we would enjoy being together as God's people.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Pray for Chris and Philip as they attend the Lichfield Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship today at Doxey that the session with Diocesan Mission Advisor George Fisher would be useful to us here at Castle Church.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Pray for our daytime bible study as it meets today. Pray for the ladies in that group and for Chris as she leads it. Help them all to grow in faith.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Pray that Philip would have a useful and profitable time attending the Oak Hill School Of Theology in London today.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Pray that Philip would have a good time praying and sharing with other clergy in his prayer triplet today and that Chris would have a helpful time at her NSM consultation evening at Shallowford House tonight.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Pray that Chris would have a restful day-off today.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Pray for all the couples who are getting married at Castle Church this summer, that each would meet with Jesus at put him at the heart of their married life together.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Pray that we would enjoy being with each other at church today and that we would meet with the living God through His word, by His Holy Spirit.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Pray for the preparations for a new Christianity Explored Course in the Autumn. Pray that there would be a good number willing to participate and that they would understand more about Jesus.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Pray for everyone who is unwell at the moment and unable to join us on a Sunday. Pray that they would stay close to God during this time and that it would be a time of growing in faith.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Pray for our music group as they rehearse tonight. Pray that they would continue to have servant hearts and that their rehearsal itself would be a great time of praise.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Pray that Philip would have a restful day-off today.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Pray for all our clergy spouses, for Claire, Ian and Erica as they support the ministry of Philip, Chris and Carlos.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Pray for the work being done by our architect and others as they prepare to take initial plans to the DAC in June.