

## On the following days you are invited to pray for:

- 1. Chair of Sheffield District**  
Revd Gill Newton in her Presidential Year
- 2. Acting Chair of Sheffield District**  
Revd Julie Coates
- 3. Sheffield Circuit:**  
Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners
- 4. Derbyshire North East Circuit:**  
Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners
- 5. Peak Circuit:**  
Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners
- 6. Doncaster Circuit:**  
Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners
- 7. Barnsley Circuit:**  
Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners
- 8. Rotherham & Dearne Valley Circuit:**  
Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners
- 9. Trinity Circuit:**  
Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners
- 10. Supernumerary Presbyters and Deacons,**
- 11. Widows/Widowers of Ministers**

- 12. Local Preachers and Leaders of Worship**
- 13. Circuit and Church Stewards**
- 14. Cliff College**  
Lecturers, staff and students
- 15. District Children & Youth Co-ordinator**  
Victoria Loveday
- 16. All those involved in Children, Youth and Families work**
- 17. Methodist Church Schools, Staff and pupils:**  
Bakewell Methodist Junior School;  
Emmanuel CE/Methodist Junior Academy;  
St Andrews CE/Methodist Aided Primary School
- 18. District Mission Enabler**  
Neil Harland
- 19. Peak Park Rural Development Enabler:**  
Deacon Lorraine Brown
- 20. Persian Ministry Development Enabler**  
Arman Ghamari
- 21. All those involved in Pioneering Ministry and Chaplaincy Work**
- 22. District Safeguarding**  
Alison Hill (DSO) & the District Safeguarding Group
- 23. Circuit and Church Safeguarding Officers**
- 24. District Communications Officer**  
Sam Roberts

- 25. Missional Property Enabler:**  
Tom Rattigan
- 26. District Administrator**  
Katrin Hackett
- 27. Circuit and Church Administrators, Office Workers and Buildings Managers**
- 28. Circuit and District Groups and Committees**
- 29. The Yorkshire West District; The Yorkshire North & East District**
- 30. The Connexional Staff and Learning Network**
- 31. Your own church**



For some this year may be one in which difficult decisions will need to be made about their future.

Pray for all those involved in such processes as they discern how best to fulfil God's mission in a peaceful and amicable way.

Loving God,  
You have promised that you will remain  
with us, always.

Even when we are tempted to despair,  
you still call us by name.

You reveal to us the treasures that are all  
around us; the places, the people,  
who will speak to us words of surprising  
hope and truth.

Give us the wisdom to value the riches you  
reveal to us,  
in the everyday, and in the unexpected,  
in the new and surprising  
and in the practices of old.

Give us the courage to share them,  
to speak and to show your good news,  
that your kingdom of joy and peace grows  
here on earth. Amen

*Kerry Scarlett, Vice-President of the  
Conference 2023/24*

Lord Jesus Christ, Wisdom and Word of  
God, dwell in our hearts, we pray, by your  
most Holy Spirit, that out of the abundance  
of our hearts, our mouths may speak your  
praise. Amen

*Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)*

All our powers we surrender to you, O God,  
and our whole will to yours. All our designs  
we submit to your design and all our  
purposes to yours. Amen

*Phoebe Palmer, Methodist Evangelist  
(1807-1874)*

Making prayer a regular part of our lives  
changes us.

- It draws us into a closer relationship with God.
- It opens us up more fully to his love for us in Christ.
- It enables God, by the Holy Spirit to transform us into the likeness of Christ.
- It changes the way we view the world around us and the people that we encounter.
- It enables us to see new possibilities.

Please join me in praying each day as this  
Prayer Diary guides you and may you know the  
joy of seeing God at work in those for whom  
you pray and in your own life.

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# Sheffield Methodist District Prayer Diary 2023/24

*I will give you the treasures of  
darkness and riches hidden in  
secret places, so that you may  
know that it is I, the LORD, the  
God of Israel, who call you by  
your name.*

Isaiah 45: 3