



TERM THREE, 2026

prayer guide

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

— 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Prayer is the engine room of our church as we seek to *make, mature, and multiply* disciples of Jesus. As a church, we pray individually, as families, when we gather on Sundays, in small groups, through prayer chats, groups, and lists, and at our all church prayer nights each term.

You can use this prayer guide at our prayer night but also for personal and small group devotion. For more information on our *prayer groups, prayer chats, and prayer lists*, visit our website:

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PATTERN OF PRAYER

For each of our focus areas, we have a three fold pattern of prayer:

- **Thank You.** Expressing our gratitude to God for his faithfulness and provision.
- **Sorry.** Repenting for our sin and the ways we fall short. Includes lament for the brokenness of our lives and world—the damage we do/experience.
- **Please.** Seeking God's will for our lives, church, and world. Entrusting our requests to God and trusting his will.

Persecuted Church & Global Mission

God is active in the world, drawing people to himself through his Son and in the power of his Spirit. Ever since the inception of the church, Christians have faced persecution. For more information on how to pray for the persecuted church, visit Open Doors (opendoors.org.au).

THANK YOU

- For the faithful witness of Christians across time and place, especially for those facing persecution and hostility.
- For how the gospel is going out to remote and isolated places where it is dangerous to be a Christian.
- For the opportunity for the Church particularly in regions of war and unrest, to reflect God's true peace.
- That even in the face of persecution *that those persecuted know you are present with every believer.*

SORRY

- For when we forget the plight of the persecuted church and inconsistency of praying for the mission of the global church especially the persecuted church.
- For when we fail to grasp the significance of the gospel opportunities that we have in Australia and on our frontlines.
- We lament all forms of persecution of Christians and the church.

PLEASE

Pray for all other countries where Christians face persecution:

- To sustain believers who have been physically harmed and/or isolated for becoming followers of Jesus.
- To sustain, protect, and guide local church leaders, particularly when they have been displaced and facing pressure.
- For boldness and wisdom for believers to share their faith and that people would come to Christ.
- That entire communities would encounter Christ through the testimony of men, women, and children.
- Move us from apathy to lives shaped by faithful and persistent prayer.

Sudan & South Sudan - pray for:

- For Christians in Sudan who are going through a severe, growing crisis and population displacement.
- For solutions to the problems stemming from the 2021 military takeover and the brutal civil war.

- For the changes needed to government leaders and policies that stop the cruel “morality policies”, and forced conversion to Islam and physical punishment.
- For the churches whose buildings have been bombed, taken over, and used as bases by militias and radical groups.
- For Christians who face discrimination everywhere—in courts, the workplace, and schools.
- That the civil war will cease ending the lawless vacuum where militias of both sides feel empowered to persecute Christians.

Israel - pray for:

- For peace and safety for all people living in Israel.
- For lasting peace and harmony to come across the Middle East.
- That citizens of Israel will call on their government for peace and a spirit of negotiation on the complex problems particularly with Palestine, Lebanon and Iran.

Palestine and Lebanon - pray for:

- For safety, food and shelter for all displaced people in the war zones.
- For the disarming of Hamas & Hezbollah so that the displaced people can return to their homeland areas and begin to rebuild their lives.
- That the world will respond with compassion and humanitarian support for all who suffer.
- For Christians who live and witness in great danger in these countries.
- For an increase in medical aid for the sick and injured.

Syria - pray for:

- For Christians caught in the crossfire and even targeted. Pray for much-needed peace, stability, and for solutions to solve tensions.
- For the new president of Syria, Ahmed al-Sharaa, who promised reforms for greater inclusivity and reconciliation.
- For the Lord to change the hearts of potential Islamic extremists.
- For a shift towards healthy, flourishing communities.
- For Christian leaders to be equal participants in their country’s future.

Yemen - pray for:

- For those arrested and harmed in a crackdown on Yemeni Christians, with many detained and arrested.
- For strength for those facing interrogations, and family pressures on their faith.
- For Christian mothers in Yemen and throughout the world who take great risks in raising their children to know and follow Jesus.

Iraq - pray for:

- For Iraqis who choose to follow Jesus and lose employment, for the provision of jobs in safe workplaces.
- Protection for Iraqi pastors face great risk working with converts.
- That the church of converts from a Muslim background will continue to grow in Iraq.

Iran - pray for:

- Strengthening of the underground church in Iran as they respond to the ongoing grief and confusion after more than 38,000 people were killed in deadly protests.

Our City & Our Nation

The Lord cares for the people we live amongst and our nation. Pray we would be faithful in serving the Lord on our frontlines, and committed to contributing to and praying for our city and our nation. *This term we have a particular focus on prayer for those in domestic violence situations & experiencing homelessness.*

THANK YOU

- For our nation Australia, for the abundance of natural beauty and resources, and for the many opportunities given to people.
- For those who serve our nation in federal, state, and local governments, in both elected and non-elected roles, working towards the good of society.
- For those who serve our communities as public-servants, for those creating and sustaining local businesses, and those working in the non-for-profit sector.
- For our cities of Toowoomba and Brisbane, and the broader regions of the Darling Downs, and South Brisbane.

- For the diversity of cultures and people groups, who live, work, study, and play in Rangeville & Salisbury.
- Thank you for the people and organisations that are combating domestic & family violence. In our region we particularly thank you for DVAC and the work they do helping women and men leave dangerous households and find safe spaces to live.
- Thank you for the work of churches involved in the Winter Shelter, who open their doors for safe sleeping in the warm, and for the healthy food and drink they serve.

SORRY

- For when we have failed to pray for our city and our nation.
- For when we have failed to see our role in contributing to society.
- For when we have offered criticism, without first looking to encourage.
- For when we have prioritised our needs, above the needs of our neighbour.
- For when we are quick to judge, and don't take the time to understand.
- For our blindness to injustice not addressed or perpetuated.
- For the ways we neglect the needs of those experiencing domestic & family violence.
- For the ways in which we take our security in housing for granted.

PLEASE

- Give wisdom and compassion to our leaders of all levels of government, and give courage to make important

long-term decisions and priorities that will benefit future generations.

- Heal divisions in our society, and help us grow in tolerance and understanding of each other. Please shape our society in accordance with your love, compassion, forgiveness, justice, and mercy.
- Protect the most vulnerable in our city and in our nation. Please grow our generosity towards those who are in need of food, a home, friendship, and understanding.
- Sustain and strengthen emergency workers and first responders supporting communities facing natural disasters.
- Please provide comfort for those who are grieving, and practical support for those in need.
- Please Lord bring an end to violence in our society.
- Help us to be instruments of your peace and love in our community in practical ways. Keep our hearts and lives oriented to you so we can respond as Jesus did with love and compassion.
- Help us to see the ways we can serve you through giving our time, money or resources to help minister to people who are experiencing homelessness.
- Please give us hearts that reflect your heart for the most vulnerable in our society. Thank you for your loving care of us. Help us to be channels of that love to others.

AREA THREE: TOOWOOMBA & BRISBANE

Frontlines including Workplaces

Our work, places of work, and those with whom we work, all matter to God. This term we are praying with a focus on *retirees & people caring for elderly parents*.

THANK YOU

- For the dignity of work and for the ways in which we can serve God's mission through what we do, where we serve, and with whom we work.
- Thank you for the opportunities through work we have to model godly character, make good work, minister grace and love, mould culture, be a mouthpiece for truth and justice, and be messengers of the gospel.
- For the multitude of people who serve behind the scenes, often in areas of work that are critical for our society.
- For those committed to training, apprenticing, and developing people.

For Retirees & Seniors:

- Thank you for the season of retirement, for the wisdom gained over many years, and the new opportunities retirement brings.

- Thank you for the freedom to enjoy additional and different activities, without pressures of paid work.
- Thank you for good social security and National Health schemes in Australia that provide a safety network for retirees.
- Thank you for additional space to spend more time in prayer & in the Bible.
- Thank you for the opportunities to support families, friends, and the community throughout the week.

SORRY

- For when we neglect our workplaces, fail to pray for our colleagues, or are hesitant to embrace Gospel opportunities before us.
- For when we skimp on our commitments or let colleagues down.
- For when we evaluate people (and ourselves) by the work that we do.
- For the ways we are blind to the service of others through their work.
- We lament the brokenness of some workplaces, the challenge it is for many, and imperfect systems.
- For our impatience with those who come from different backgrounds, and face different and often unseen challenges.
- For our failure to show compassion and be flexible in friendship, with those who have different cultural priorities and ways of valuing others.
- For our failure to value those no longer working and their depth of experience and wisdom.

PLEASE

For Retirees & Seniors:

- For insight in discerning how to use this season for the Lord, for his purposes and without guilt.
- To be effective in listening to, caring for, and encouraging fellow retirees and friends.
- For grace and patience with ageing bodies and increasing health issues. May they be a role model for all who are younger.
- For a continued zeal in making and maturing disciples, even with new challenges of health and mobility.
- For a continued growth in prayer for their families, friends, the church and the world.

For those caring for elderly parents:

- For continued strength, compassion, and patience, in coming alongside to care and make decisions for their parents.
- Provision of places where care can be provided - in homes, in retirement villages, or nearby aged care facilities.
- For special time together, reflecting on a life shared together.
- For abounding forgiveness, where there is hurt.
- For gospel opportunities, that parents and siblings who don't yet know the Lord would turn to him.
- For wisdom in difficult conversations.
- For understanding from workplaces and communities, when caring demands suddenly change.

AREA FOUR: DISCIPLESHIP

Maturing Disciples of Jesus

As part of our response to the great commission, part of our mission as a church is to help people mature as followers of Jesus. We long and pray for people to grow into full maturity in Christ. We take our part in the power of God's Spirit, joining in with what is God's ultimate work.

THANK YOU

- For all who have witnessed to us, prayed for us, and discipled us in our faith. Also for the privilege we share in doing the same.
- For those in our church (young, old, and in between) who have been growing in their faith this year.
- For all the ways in which people are growing as disciples - as we gather together during the week, on Sundays, and on our frontlines.
- For the ways the youngest disciples are growing in their faith in homes, at schools, at mainly music, Friday Kids Club, and Sunday School.
- For the 25 small groups meeting in Toowoomba and online, and the space

they provide to nurture believers in God's Word, in prayer, and in friendship.

- For the 121 children (so far) signed up for the Holiday Kids Club. Give thanks for the boldness and heart of children to invite their friends and classmates.
- For the dedicated team of youth and adults preparing for Holiday Kids Club.
- For the hunger of people to grow in their faith, especially the witness of older generations, to never tire of growing in Christ and in their love for others.
- For those who are beginning in faith.
- For those who have expressed interest in exploring faith further, or significantly returning to faith.
- For the opportunities on all of our frontlines to both show and share the Good News of Jesus.
- That we have incredible freedom in Australia to proclaim the Gospel without the fear of persecution.
- For the growing openness to faith we are witnessing in our community.
- That many people, who have been disconnected from the church for a long time, feel welcome to join us on Sundays (in-person and online).
- For the opportunity to disciple children and youth each week, at Kids Club & CHARGE Youth.

SORRY

- For when we fail to take seriously nor actively pray for our part in the proclamation of the Gospel.

- For when we have grown tired or apathetic towards sharing the Good News with other people, and helping others grow in their maturity in Christ.
- For when we think God is not interested in maturing his people.
- For when we are not interested in partnering with the Spirit for growth in holiness and love for one another.
- For when we think it is impossible for God to move and change hearts.

PLEASE

- Embolden us with the Spirit to recognise Gospel opportunities, have the wisdom in knowing what to say, and the courage to actually speak.
- For God to prepare the hearts to whom we go that they might be receptive to inviting and the Good News.
- For growing hunger for us to grow in the likeness of Christ, across the whole of our lives.
- For the Spirit's wisdom and guidance to encourage those who may be drifting from faith.
- For the Spirit to be preparing the hearts of the children coming to Holiday Kids Club, that Christians would be strengthened in faith, and many children would come to put their trust in Jesus.
- For conversations begun at the Public Lecture to continue, bearing fruit.
- For ongoing provision for small group leaders to continue nurturing and discipling their small group.
- For ongoing creativity and energy for the children & youth ministry teams, week-by-week in discipling children & youth.
- Give us eyes to see who we might invite to church, courage to invite, and that the Spirit would be preparing hearts now to accept an invitation.
- That we will embrace the many opportunities in Aged Care to share the Good News and invite people to put their trust in the Lord Jesus.
- That those who are not yet believers and connect with our Sunday services and/or various ministries will continue to grow in their faith and become followers of Jesus. Help us to be proactive in taking our part in discipling new believers.
- For those preparing for baptism and confirmation this year.
- That our church plant will be an active Gospel-sharing community.
- That as a church we will be growing in active involvement in evangelism. Pray that each member of St Bart's would invite one person along to Alpha with them.
- That as a church we will be growing in disciple-making. Please lay on our hearts one person we can be encouraging in following you.
- That we would have a sense of urgency to share the Gospel actively in and through our lives.
- That we would see opportunities to encourage disciples, be open in sharing our lives with other Christians, and ready to celebrate how God is at work in the lives of those around us.

AREA FIVE: OUR CHURCH

Ministries & Mission of St Bart's

Together as a church we have the privilege of serving God as we seek to make, mature, and multiply disciples of Jesus. These prayer points are gathered from many of our leaders of our various ministry teams.

THANK YOU

- For the rhythms of our life together (pray, gather, grow, give, serve) that nurture us as a community as we seek to take part in our mission.
- For the phenomenal leaders — serving across a range of areas — who help lead the mission and ministry of our church.
- For the diversity of people in leadership and serving roles and the enormous gifts that God has entrusted to them. Give thanks for how those gifts are poured out.
- For the ways we can grow as leaders together. Give thanks particularly for those leaders who have served for a long time and seek to continually grow. Give thanks also for leaders recently appointed.
- For the appointment of a Church Planter in Brisbane (Michael Marklew), and for the extraordinary continuing team.
- For the commitment to raising up gospel workers, and the contribution of our new and continuing interns.
- For the faithful and generous financial giving to both our offerings and our building fund.
- For God's abundant love for us as his children.
- *Gatherings*: For the opportunity to hear God's Word read, proclaimed, and expounded every week.
- *Gatherings*: For the goodness of God's Word and the privilege it is to gather around God's Word together.
- *Gatherings*: That the Word of God does not return void. For the hunger of God's people to keep growing and seeking after God's Word.
- *Gatherings*: For the wide use of resources connecting to preaching (including children's materials), equipping other local churches.
- *Gatherings*: For the many people currently enquiring about faith, returning to faith, connecting back into the life of the church, and also putting their trust in the Lord Jesus for the first time.
- *Gatherings*: Growth in all of our congregations: spiritually and numerically. Thankful for those who have been part of our community for a very long time, along with those who are new.
- *Gatherings*: The sacrificial and generous ways that people serve in the life of congregations. Also for the

unity and grace with which people serve for the glory of Jesus.

- *Gatherings:* For the faithfulness of the Lord in adding to our numbers.
- *Gatherings:* For all who teach, prepare small group material, and read the Bible. For the many opportunities we have to grow in maturity in the power of God's Spirit through his *living* Word.
- *Gatherings - Brisbane:* For a wonderful team who are committed to serving each other and the Salisbury congregation.
- *Gatherings - Brisbane:* For Little Angels welcoming us, and allowing us to use the centre for Sunday Services.
- *Gatherings - Brisbane:* For the generosity of the music team travelling from Toowoomba to support the Church Plant.
- *Gatherings - Brisbane:* For the wonderful fellowship experienced in such a fledgling community that the Lord has brought into existence.
- *Gatherings: Music:* Thank you for our social groups like Strumming Circle and Music Corner, and that everyone can enjoy fellowship and singing praise to God together.
- *Gatherings: Music:* Thank you Lord for the gift of music!
- *Gatherings: Music:* For the faithful leading of music across all congregations.
- *Gatherings:* For those who so faithfully volunteer in all sorts of areas of hospitality within the church community.
- *Gatherings:* For the wonderful sense of community-building around the tea

and coffee station. For a willing and cohesive team of baristas.

- *Gatherings:* For the digital and tech team, for their servant hearts and willingness to serve.
- *Gatherings:* For the different generations of people who serve on the welcome team and who make people feel welcome each week.
- *Gatherings:* For the enormous diversity of the body and the ways that so many take their part in the building up of God's church.
- *Gatherings:* For all who serve so humbly, willingly and joyfully as assistants for the Lord's Supper.
- *Gatherings:* For those who cheerfully prepare and wash the linen with love.
- *Gatherings:* For the opportunity to assist those needing transportation, and for everyone who serves to make our community accessible, especially through the bus and the buggy.
- *Gatherings:* For those who enable Symes Thorpe parishioners to gather on a Sunday morning.
- *Gatherings:* For the work of translation and opportunities to connect over Cultural Connection.
- *Gatherings:* For the generosity of those providing assistance with the bus and buggy each Sunday.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* That children from our community are seeking Jesus and that their parents are following their lead.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For our intergenerational teams who disciple our Early Childhood, Primary, and Youth spaces. Thank you for their wisdom, generosity, and heart for

sharing the Gospel with each of the young people.

- *Children, Youth & Families:* For the many people who contribute to the weekly St Bart's Kids Sunday curriculum. Thank you for their wisdom, creativity, and Biblical insights in helping open up God's Word so that it is understandable and engaging for children.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* That we have connections with RI in several local schools, including Middle Ridge, Toowoomba East, Drayton, and Harristown.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For the many new families this year who have come along to mainly music. Thank you for the opportunity to share God's love in this space, particularly with those who might not be ready to yet come along to Church.
- *Children, Youth, & Families.* Give thanks for the new babies born this year: Jasper, Winnie, Abigail, Isobel, James & Ledger.
- *Children, Youth, & Families - mainly music:* Give great thanks for the new families attending mainly music.
- *Children, Youth, & Families - mainly music:* For the leaders, volunteers, sound technicians and morning tea providers who dedicate time, energy, share their gifts, model God's love for us through sharing of songs and joy of music, to encourage and brighten the children's young hearts and minds and we are grateful for the fellowship opportunities these sessions provide for the parents and caregivers.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For the enthusiasm of the children at Kids Club to come each week and have fun and learn more about the Bible.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For the invitational heart of the youth - that they are comfortable and happy to bring along their friends to CHARGE Youth on Friday nights.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For the inclusion of children with diverse ways of learning.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For children growing in their understanding and love for Jesus.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For the consistency of Children's Ministry in Salisbury, and nurturing of a range of ages with a small team.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For a great start to Term 3, and the blessing it is to serve alongside an enthusiastic team.
- *St Bart's Care:* For the variety of ways that people generously care for those in need and the love which abounds in our community.
- *St Bart's Care:* For the generosity of the team who serve as part of the Friendship Morning Tea.
- *St Bart's Care:* For the consistency of residents attending the Symes Thorpe chapel service every second Tuesday and opportunities to share the gospel.
- *St Bart's Care:* For the opportunity to offer communion services monthly.
- *St Bart's Care:* For the dedication of all who visit, share home communion, and prepare pastoral meals. For the privilege it is to care for God's people

and reach those who are not yet followers of Jesus with God's love.

- *St Bart's Care*: For a cohort of men who are now attending chapel services.
- *St Bart's Care*: For the generous donations that support our pantry ministry. Also for the opportunity to assist those most vulnerable in our broader community.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For all of our small group leaders who week by week share their lives and their homes.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For how disciples have grown in maturity in faith, been encouraged, loved and cared for, and welcomed through small groups this year.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For the many people visiting the library and borrowing books from the library.
- *Discipleship & Training*: Thanks for the continued response of people to do the Ridley course and give thanks for team members whose commitment to serve make it possible.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For the short courses that are equipping people in different areas of discipleship (work, parenting, marriage).
- *Discipleship & Training*: For our Next Steps team. For all of the next steps taken by people already this year.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For the flexibility of the Newcomer Meal's team. Give thanks for the 65 people we've been able to welcome this year.
- *Discipleship & Training*: That we are a house of prayer. For all of the prayer ministries of our church, including on

Sundays. For our prayer groups, chats, and lists—including coordinators.

- *Operations*: For the gardeners, who faithfully care for their areas.
- *Operations*: For the mowing team, how the Lord has led them to generously use their time and skills to care for the creation we've been entrusted with.
- *Operations*: For those who willingly use their skills and talents to maintain the church buildings and surrounds.
- *Operations*: For all who serve to help us be faithful stewards of our finances. For the incredible generosity and consistency of people who give of their financial resources.
- *Mission Partnerships*: For the opportunity to partner with our Mission Partners in prayer & finances.
- *Governance & Parish Council*: For those who serve faithfully to ensure good governance and look to the long-term vision of our church. For the various subcommittees who work tirelessly.

SORRY

- For the ways in which we hurt each other, fail to consider one another's needs, or carry one another's burdens.
- For when we've failed to identify people's gifts and help them to exercise them in God's church.
- For when we skimp on responsibilities in the building up of God's people.
- When we can't see the need before us.
- We lament that many who have been hurt by Christian community find it hard to connect to any local church.
- We lament that so many people have not yet put their trust in Jesus and do

not know the security of the salvation that he has won for us.

- For when we've missed opportunities to connect people deeper into the Body of Christ. For when we rely on our own means instead of the power of God's Spirit.
- For when our vision of the future is out of step with God's. For when our vision does not match the size of God's vision for our church.

PLEASE

- Pray that people would be deeply engaged in all of our 'Rhythms of our Life Together' as we seek to serve God.
- Pray that the work to create booklets for each of our 'rhythms' would be brought to completion and be helpful in the life of our community (especially for new members).
- That God would make us wise in his ways, not least in leadership. Pray also for the next round of leadership appointments and onboarding.
- That God would protect, equip, and grow our leaders.
- That God would raise up more leaders to serve in key areas.
- For continued guidance on how best to identify, equip, encourage, and strengthen leaders in the gospel.
- Help us to grow our giving to meet the needs of our budget this year, and to respond to the ways the Lord has answered our prayer in the provision of ministers for Toowoomba and Brisbane.
- For those entering into discernment towards ordination: that they will take the steps where God leads. Pray that

the Lord would provide workers for the harvest.

- Continue to pray that the Lord would help the Marklew family settle into Brisbane, school, and ministry.
- *Gatherings:* That we would in the power of God's Spirit, keep growing in our knowledge of God's Word, in our love for God, and our obedience in all of the ways that he instructs us.
- *Gatherings:* For every congregation to continue to grow in discipleship, mission, and service. Particularly pray that many will come to put their trust in the Lord.
- *Gatherings:* Pray also that people who have drifted from faith and the life of community (wherever that may be), would return. Pray in the Lord's kindness that we would share in that work.
- *Gatherings:* For God to continue to raise up people to serve. Pray also for our new onboarding processes — that they would be effective in helping people serve and be part of teams.
- *Gatherings:* For continued implementation of our new Church Management System (ChurchSuite) — that this would go smoothly and help better enable ministry.
- *Gatherings:* For wisdom as we continue to nurture the online community connected to St Bart's. Pray that the digital team would be inspired and equipped with every good gift from above for all that they need in this important ministry.
- *Gatherings:* That God would send people, especially with musical gifts, to be part of the church plant team.

- *Gatherings:* For provision of spaces that provide room for the Church Plant to grow.
- *Gatherings:* For the Lord to raise up and send more people with a passion for discipling children for the Church Plant.
- *Gatherings:* That we would be faithful in our handling of God's Word — through every ministry.
- *Gatherings:* For those who preach: that they would be energised, inspired, encouraged, and protected.
- *Gatherings:* For our series in Romans to be effective in strengthening people in the gospel. Pray also that many will come to 'confess with their mouth and believe in their heart that Jesus is Lord and that God has raised him from the dead' (cf. Romans 10).
- *Gatherings:* May our service and heart to care for others extend to those unfamiliar with the gospel and may they feel the love of Christ through it.
- *Gatherings:* For people to assist with the design of our artwork used in preaching series.
- *Gatherings:* Help us to warmly welcome new people, encourage them in faith, and connect them in our life together.
- *Gatherings - Music:* For guidance, wisdom and ongoing unity in purpose and in Christ for our teams across all the congregations, as we seek to serve the church by pointing them to Jesus.
- *Gatherings - Music:* For wisdom in choosing songs that are sung and guidance in leading the congregation in singing, so that the church is edified and pointed to the Lord.
- *Gatherings:* Raise up more musicians and singers, particularly for the 6PM congregation.
- *Gatherings:* To cultivate and grow a servant's heart and a willingness to share gifts through hospitality.
- *Gatherings:* For more willing volunteers to join the tech team across all services. For wisdom and calmness when unexpected technical issues arise. For unity, creativity, and joy in the tech team as we serve together.
- *Gatherings:* To grow our hospitality and welcome teams, especially after the 9:30AM Toowoomba service.
- *Gatherings:* To grow the number of people serving within the Altar Guild.
- *Gatherings - Bus:* For additional buggy drivers to help those requiring assistance in attending the morning services.
- *Gatherings:* For the Holy Spirit to guide us to be aware of any wishing to attend services at St Bart's but need help to do so.
- *Gatherings:* For a growth in passengers and bus drivers.
- *Gatherings:* Create a welcoming space that encourages visitors to return and to grow in Christ.
- *Children, Youth, & Families - mainly music:* For the Lord to grant us patience and a playful spirit to guide all participants with kindness and harmony and encourage us to model our true love for God throughout these sessions.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* That children and youth would share the love and words of Jesus with friends and peers.

- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For those interested or wanting to be prepared for baptism & confirmation this year.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For our continued involvement in the TAS Chapel team. Pray for wisdom and opportunities to strengthen this partnership in the Boarding Houses, staff, and leadership.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For volunteers to be raised up for Sunday Children's Ministry (both in Toowoomba and Brisbane).
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For continued ability to make our ministry spaces and programs as accessible as possible so that all children and youth may be able to engage with the Gospel.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For our youth to be growing and maturing in their understanding of what Jesus has done for them and what it means to follow him.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* That we might continue to be intentional about raising up the next generation of Church leaders who are passionate about Jesus Christ.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* That God will raise up more RI instructors from across our churches so that there are enough classes offered for the needs in our schools.
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* Help us navigate how to best disciple our Senior youth and those finishing their final years of school. May God grant wisdom as we seek to know how to best encourage and support them to

lean into God during this period of transitioning from teen to adult.

- *Children, Youth, & Families:* We pray for those who are exhausted from parenting - either physically or emotionally. May God sustain and strengthen them and provide the right people to walk alongside and support them. Above all, may they be reminded that "He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak." (Isaiah 40:29)
- *Children, Youth, & Families:* For more families to join the 10:15am mainly music session.
- *Children, Youth, & Families - mainly music:* For the health of the team and families.
- *St Bart's Care:* That God would raise up a suitable person to fill our vacant 'Pastoral Care Coordinator' position.
- *St Bart's Care:* For the Spirit to open the spiritual eyes of the many residents of Symes Thorpe who are nearing the end of life but still don't know Jesus.
- *St Bart's Care:* For the St Bart's team visiting residents in Symes Thorpe regularly, that God would give them wisdom and sensitivity in their conversations and opportunities to talk about Jesus and faithfully present the gospel.
- *St Bart's Care:* For opportunities to open up for the pastoral care team to pray with and for those they are visiting.
- *St Bart's Care:* That God would be at work through the services in Aged Care homes, that many would be comforted by the love of God and trust in Jesus.

- *St Bart's Care*: That everyone in need will know the love and care of God through his people.
- *St Bart's Care*: Help us not to forget those who are less visible, heal according to your will & purposes, and that those who are in need may know the tenderness and presence of God.
- *St Bart's Care*: Raise up more volunteers and leaders, to support each of our care ministries.
- *St Bart's Care*: Continued support through donations — particularly requested items.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For our small groups to flourish and multiply. That there would be small groups that would suit all demographics, particularly young families, those connecting online, and in Brisbane.
- *Discipleship & Training*: That our small group leaders would be encouraged and strengthened in faith, as they host and disciple others week-by-week.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For more volunteers to join the dedicated library team.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For people to grow in their love of God through his Word through Ridley Certificate.
- *Discipleship & Training*: For the Lord to raise up people to be part of the in-person Ridley team.
- *Discipleship & Training*: That we would be active in proclaiming the Gospel on our frontline of work. That people would be equipped to see how God is at work through their work, especially through the Centre for Work + Faith.
- *Discipleship & Training*: Use the Prayer Nights to help us partake in God's mission in the world. Connect more people into regular prayer ministries such as groups, chats, and lists.
- *Discipleship & Training*: That our Newcomer's lunches would be effective and helpful in linking people into our life together.
- *Operations*: For an appropriate person to assist with our communications.
- *Operations*: For more gardeners to lighten the load of the current team and replace those getting too old to manage the physical work.
- *Operations*: For more people to serve in with the Operations team.
- *Operations*: For the mowing team, that the Lord would keep everyone safe in every way when doing this work, often on their own.
- *Operations*: That as a church, we would all give generously and sacrificially of our finances, intentionally committing to building God's kingdom, together.
- *Operations*: For an increase in giving, in response to how God has provided additional ministers.
- *Leadership*: Encouragement for all in leading ministry teams, for clarity in each person's role and a healthy work-life rhythm.
- *Governance & Parish Council*: That we would be good stewards in all areas, faithful in governance, and wise in seeking God's will for our future.
- *Mission Partnerships*: That our vision for those who don't know Christ in our community, Australia, and other nations of the world, will be enlarged.

Multiplying Gospel Workers & Communities

Identifying, encouraging, developing, and sending Gospel workers has long been part of the mission of our church. Pray for the multiplication of Gospel workers, and the multiplication of disciple-making communities - beginning with the Church Plant in Salisbury, Brisbane.

THANK YOU

- For the privilege of participating in God's mission.
- For how God continues to lead and shape us in our mission to make, mature, and multiply disciples of Jesus.
- Give thanks for people's generous support in resources and prayer.
- *Church Plant*: For how God has been so faithfully at work bringing these plans to fruition. Especially, for the establishment of the church plant and its growth.
- *Church Plant*: For the appointment of a Church Planter (Michael Marklew).
- *Church Plant*: For the opportunity to not only nurture disciple-making disciples but also to multiply disciple-making communities.
- *Church Plant*: For the community God is nurturing and those who will come to hear the Gospel through the church plant in Brisbane.
- *Church Plant*: For those God has gathered in Brisbane, and the generosity of the core team leading week by week.
- *Church Plant*: For the diversity of generations that the Lord has brought along, including a number of families.
- *Church Plant*: For the generosity of people from Toowoomba, supporting and assisting gaps in serving, particularly in children's and music ministry.
- *Church Plant*: For the ways in which other doors are opening (and being identified) to plant or revitalise in the future.
- *Gospel Workers*: For the generosity and support towards the training fund.
- *Gospel Workers*: For the growing number of people enquiring about gospel work and those in the process towards ordination.
- *Gospel Workers*: For the partnership with Ridley College, in resourcing a coaching group for those in the process towards ordination.
- *Gospel Workers*: For all who have been raised up for ministry and sent out.
- *Gospel Workers*: That we have financial resources—through the generosity of

God's people—to support various ministry roles.

- *Gospel Workers*: For the daily faithfulness in prayer of so many people as we look to God to provide more workers for our various vacant roles.

SORRY

- For when we have not listened to how the Spirit is moving us to participate in God's mission.
- For when we lack courage to step into the Gospel opportunities that the Lord has opened up.
- For relying on our own efforts more than prayer, especially as we seek to live out our mission and see that the vision that God has set on our hearts come to life.
- For when we have failed to pray that God would raise up and send workers for the harvest.
- For when we've missed opportunities to identify Gospel Workers or prioritise the development of those who have potential as Gospel Workers.

PLEASE

- That God would provide all that we need, including financially, to fulfil the work that he has entrusted to us.
- *Church Plant*: Continued favour by all stakeholders and for continuing good relationships. That the plant will be fruitful in making new disciples and also helping others reconnect to faith.
- *Church Plant*: That we would have all of the staff resources necessary to support the Church Plant in Brisbane as part of our church as a whole.

- *Church Plant*: Grow the core of people serving in the Church Plant. Particularly pray for more people to serve in children's ministry and music.
- *Church Plant*: For wisdom in discerning other opportunities to plant or revitalise.
- *Gospel Workers*: For those who are being called into leadership roles, that they would be wise and discerning in heeding the call. Bring them mature Christians who can give them guidance and perspective. Give those who are called, courage to take the next steps to answer God's calling.
- *Gospel Workers*: That we would continue to identify, support, and encourage people in exploring a call to Gospel work - be that in the local church, as missionaries, or as chaplains.
- *Gospel Workers*: That we will be able to employ ordained ministers-in-training in the coming years, along with ordained ministers for the church plant and other potential plants or church revitalisations.
- *Gospel Workers*: For those who are called to become ordained ministers, whether they are still discerning or already in training for ordination, that they will be strengthened and equipped for their calling. That God will sustain and protect them so that they are sure of and committed to their calling. That in their formation, they are given excellent teaching and guidance, to shape them to become good leaders and carers for the communities they will serve.