

Wednesday 22nd April 2020

Good morning!

***"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people – 2 for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness."
(1 Timothy 2:1,2)***

We need to continue to pray regularly for those in positions of specific influence in the life of our nation - at this time, perhaps most obviously leaders in government, healthcare, social welfare, business, education and so on.

Today, however, let's apply it to **church leaders** in particular - hoping that doesn't feel self-indulgent!

1) At a 'local and specific' level, would you pray for these **Trinity leaders?**

Each member of the SLT here has shared a personal request for prayer today, please:

Andrew: *"Close family relative coping with very serious financial threats to their business"*

David: *"Balance in the Baker household, please; navigating 6 people's unique priorities and needs and trying to get some rest in it all"*

Nick: *"To flourish with home-schooling!"*

Barry: *"For my mum whose dementia means she is unaware of the current dangers, doesn't understand the restrictions and needs constant daily reminders that she cannot go out."*

Hils: *"For energy, imagination, clarity and all that's needed by way of God's help to finish editing my book and to get it published"*

Tim: *"Healing of a slightly injured right shoulder and left knee, in time for when golf courses and tennis courts open again!"*

2) From the 'local & specific' to the 'global and general'!

Pray for **all Christian church leaders**...in this unique moment of challenge and opportunity for God's people worldwide....

For **increase** in: humility, trust, wisdom, insight, energy, passion, protection, unity, boldness, hunger, ability to hear the Lord.....all arising from a deeper awareness of the Father's love, the close presence of Jesus and a fresh anointing of his Holy Spirit.

Thank God and pray for any particular church leaders you know. Thank him for what he is stirring up around the world by way of prayer, unity, mission and Kingdom discipleship movements (are you connected to any?).