

Join a month of prayer for Arise Africa



Millions of Christians across sub-Saharan Africa have been displaced by violence and conflict. The African church is rising up boldly in prayer against this violence – and they are calling on their global church family to stand with them. Please join

with your church family in sub-Saharan Africa, asking God to stop the violence and start the healing.

Day 1 Open Doors estimates that, of the 34.5 million people in sub-Saharan Africa who are displaced by violence and conflict, at least 16.2 million are Christians, with many driven from their homes because of their faith in Jesus. This growing crisis has led to food insecurity, trauma and desperation. Pray for provision, healing and comfort for our displaced family.

Day 2 Last year, an estimated 100,000 Christians were internally displaced from their homes because of their faith, with many fleeing to official displacement camps that are unhealthy and unsafe. They are overcrowded, hygiene is poor and food is scarce, and they can be targeted by extremists. Pray that camps will be far better equipped to be havens of safety, provision and care.

Day 3 “The food items being given to us show us that Christians all over the world care about us and remember us,” says Abraham, chairman of a displacement camp. “That makes us very happy. Open Doors is helping thousands of people in Nigeria, not just me.” Praise God for this impact, and pray that local partners will be equipped, empowered and encouraged in their work.

Day 4 The rise in jihadist activities has caused internal displacement to sour, affecting nearly two million people by the end of 2023 (ten per cent of the population), many of them Christians. In some places, churches and villages are empty. It’s one of the world’s severest displacement crises. Ask God to surround the displaced with His peace, presence and provision.

Day 5 “I do believe that we are displaced, but Jesus is not and will never be displaced from our lives,” says Pastor Soré, who lives in a makeshift shelter in an IDP camp with his family and 15 other Christians. “He is always with us. This truth helps me in this difficult time.” He requests prayer for a clean water supply and that Burkinabe believers stay firm in their faith.

Day 6 More than 2.6 million people in DRC, mostly Christians, have been displaced by violence. The conditions of camps are often horrific, with insufficient shelter, hygiene and food. Pray for better care and aid, and ask God to help churches and local partners as they seek sustainable solutions for people.

Day 7 More than a year since civil war broke out, nine million people are on the run, with Christians in IDP camps vulnerable to discrimination and neglect. “The situation is deteriorating every day, and there is no response from the world,” says Illia Djadi, a senior analyst for Open Doors in the region. “There is a strong feeling of abandonment.” Pray that the international community will pay attention to the crisis.

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1 September 2024
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect for this Sunday

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Psalm 15: Who Shall Abide in God’s Sanctuary?

O Lord, who may abide in your tent?

Who may dwell on your holy hill?

**Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,
and speak the truth from their heart;**

who do not slander with their tongue,

and do no evil to their friends,

nor take up a reproach against their neighbours;

in whose eyes the wicked are despised,

but who honour those who fear the Lord;

who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

who do not lend money at interest,

and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and for evermore, Amen

Readings for this Sunday

Deuteronomy 4.1-2,6-9

James 1.17-27

Mark 7.1-8,14,15,21-23



Post Communion Prayer for this Sunday

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Please pray for...

Eben Atkinson, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Marie Rose Cubacub, Christine Evans, Sue Grainge, Annie Hall, Clive Hall, Marion Heygate, Robert Hitchens, Jane Knight, Judy Long, Andrew Luck, Imogen Matthews, Pat Reid, John Rowntree, Maggie Sharman, Ivan Spencer, Amanda Thomson, Clive Walker, Kevin Whitfield, King Charles III, and for any others whom we name in the silence of our hearts.

We give thanks for those on the road to recovery.

We also remember the souls of Ernest Michael Appleby, Anthony Andrews, Jennie Andrews (Barnett), Frank Bristow, Jean Gibbons, Pete Shaw, and all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace and rise in glory; and we also pray for those who mourn their loss.

Wedding anniversaries: Rachel and John Hartley (1 year); Sophie and Lloyd Wright (2 years)

Baptism anniversaries: Theodora Sismore(1 year); Milo Allard (2 years)

Funeral anniversaries: Elsie Perkins, Nellie Machin, (6 months); Ivernie Davies (1 year); Sadie Hall (2 years)

Additional Services in the Group

29 August	2.30pm	Memorial Service for Anthony Andrews	Kirkby Underwood
22 September	3pm	Baptism of Millie Storer	Morton

Lay Ministry service, Lincoln Cathedral

The Lay Ministry Board and Wardens of Lay Ministry would like to invite you to the Annual Lay Ministry service starting at **10:30am on Saturday 12th October** at Lincoln Cathedral. This year the service will be a Eucharist, the Bishop of Grantham will be presiding and The Bishop of Lincoln will be preaching.

Readers and ALMs will be processing into the Cathedral before the start of the service and therefore we need to know how many wish to participate. Could you please send your response to Lynne Smith (warden.layministry@lincoln.anglican.org) letting her know the following:

- If you intend to be at the service.
- If you wish to take part in the procession.
- If you are attending the AGM following the service (please remember to bring a packed lunch though tea and coffee will be provided.)

Those being licensed should be ready and robed by 9.30am and ready for their declarations at 10am. Readers and those ALMs who wish to process are to be robed by 10am.

Sunday and regular weekday Services in the Group

1 September	11am	Eucharist	Morton
	6pm	Evening Prayer	Haconby
8 September	9am	Eucharist	Haconby
	6pm	Evening Prayer	Morton
15 September	11am	Eucharist	Morton
22 September	11am	Eucharist	Kirkby Underwood
	6pm	Evening Prayer	Morton
29 September	11am	Eucharist	Dunsby
	3pm	Harvest Festival (for all with Morton School)	Morton
Wednesday	10 am	See below	Morton

Wednesday services will usually be a service of Holy Communion . On occasions this will be replace by a service of Morning Prayer

Do you know anyone who is unable to get to church but who would like to receive Holy Communion? Contact Revd Neil on 01778 219626

PCC meeting

Sunday 1 September at 12.30pm PCC meeting at Morton



.Can you help?

Here is a list of items that are running low, but feel free to donate any in-date, non-perishable food at any of our

Donation Points

Milk (UHT cartons)	Tinned or Packet Potatoes	Squash
Tinned vegetables	Tinned Rice Pudding	Pulses
Tinned or carton custard	Tea Bags (80 packs preferred)	Rice

There is a collection box in St John the Baptist Church, on the left at the back of the church. Please be as generous as possible.

Safeguarding & Contact Information

Safeguarding: We take your welfare and safety very seriously!

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