

Arena Church

Prayer Journal 2024

Prayer should be our first response not our last resort

Another year of Prayer, another year of Opportunity!

Over the past decade Arena Church has grown significantly. This is down to an increased prayer movement within the church. If we are to continue to Grow we must also grow in prayer! Without God we can do nothing, we must depend upon him.

Our word for the year is GROWTH. God has planned for us to grow, to take ground, advance and multiply. This will only happen as we commit to pray and dedicate ourselves to go! We need an army of prayers and goers!! We must get ourselves ready and be willing to move.

Some things are impossible, and in the natural they are but we must realise that "Only God can move mountains but faith and prayer move God". E M. Bounds

As we pray in faith we can see God move in miracles, breakthroughs and supernatural occurrences. God responds to faith and it pleases him.

Jesus said to his disciples "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." Mark 11:24 NIV This is true today, ask in prayer and believe that you will receive and it will be done.

Could this be a year of turnarounds and breakthroughs in your life and family. Could we see prodigals, family members and friends discover the love of God? Could we see miracles and healings? Could we see God break out across the M1 Corridor the nation and the world? I believe we can but it will take an army who will arise in resilient and persistent prayer and action. May WE be such people!

I look forward to see what God does for you and your family and for Arena Church in the coming year.

Caroline and I love and appreciate you all so much. You are in our prayers

Committed to GROWTH!

Kristian Thorpe Lead Pastor of Arena Church

Word for the Year

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"Enlarge your house; build an addition. Spread out your home, and spare no expense!

For you will soon be bursting at the seams. Your descendants will occupy other nations and resettle the ruined cities.

ISAIAH 54:2-3

The Lord's Prayer

Pray like this:

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.
For yours is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Matthem 6:9-13

3 People I am praying for to find Jesus:

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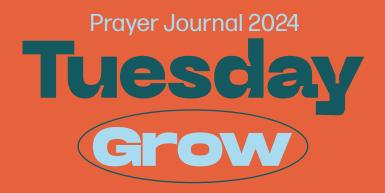
"Go and preach the good news to everyone in the world."' - Mark 16:15

People matter to God and to us. We are called and compelled to go:—

- May we personally go to be personal witnesses with the good news of Jesus to whoever and wherever. To every language, background, colour and experience. To show God's love.
- Pray for children, young people, students, singles, families and seniors.
- In our campus locations; For our neighbours, businesses, shops and homes to be influenced and reached.
- An aligned approach as we go as one church in six locations.

"People are the prize, heaven is the goal."

For walls of cynicism, hatred, scepticism, mistrust and accusation to come tumbling down.



"Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ." - Ephesians 4:15

Praying for growth in all areas:-

- Growth in number The Lord added daily those being saved - Acts 2:47
- o Growth in maturity Discipleship Ephesians 4:15-16
- Growth in GRACE & FAVOUR Luke 2:52
- o Grow in strength Isaiah 40:29-31
- Grow in wisdom Proverbs 9:10 & 4:5
- Grow in influence Acts 19:20

Growth is a hallmark of healthy churches & disciples

Prayer Journal 2024 Wednesday Grow

In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace. - Colossians 1:6

In Line with our word for 2024 we pray for GROWTH:-

G et R eady

That we would be wholly surrendered, submitted and consecrated, holy unto our God.

O pportunity W aits

We have all been given opportunities to be seized; that we would make the most of every opportunity and there would be new open doors opened by God for us personally and in church.

Take Hold

Our heart and mind would be to seize the day, discern the times and make a difference in our worlds. As we take hold there would be greater kingdom impact.

"The opportunity of a lifetime needs to be seized during the lifetime of the opportunity - Leonard Ravenhill"



'By this everyone will know that you are my disciple if you love one another.' - John 13:35

May love be the hallmark of our lives:-

- For us to love one another more deeply, expressed in sharing, serving, encouraging, caring and generously giving.
- For love and prayers for Arena pastors, staff, ministry leaders, the board and their families.
- For love and prayers for the A-Z of Arena
- For us to contend for unity, worship, God's word and the gatherings.
- May we 'Raise the Praise: Worship is an expression of our love for God. May our worship and services be marked with love for God. May this be seen, felt and heard.
- For us to urgently share and give away God's love to everyone.

For our gatherings large or small to be filled with God's love. May we encounter Jesus more. Reach down to the broken, lonely and hurting and encourage one another in the Lord.

'Love never fails.' 1 Corinthians 13



'Now that I your Lord and Teacher have washed your feet you also should wash one another's feet.' - John 13:14

Serving is what we do. We are saved to serve. Flowing from a heart of gratitude we are so pleased that we 'get to' serve individually and in Arena Dream Teams.

Pray:-

- For our Community serving teams. The staff and volunteers.
 For protection, strength and wisdom.
- For the most broken, disadvantaged, disillusioned and disenfranchised in our locations to be helped, loved and served.
- For generational walls and cycles in our locations to be broken, healed and made whole. Significant 'known' families to be loved, served, and saved. Whole family trees to be shaken by God's power.
- For everybody to know that they are somebody. For the community to feel like they've come home and they belong.
- For resources to be in abundance; Finance through individuals, businesses and grants. Thousands of pounds needed each year to do more. For windows of heaven to open. For donations of food, clothing and furniture; and for more volunteers.

Everybody is somebody at Arena Church.

For the different, lost, broken, addicted, poor, wealthy, angry, confused, hopeless and indifferent people to experience the love and grace of Jesus as we practically engage, serve and help all people.



"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." - John 3:16

Regionally and Nationally:

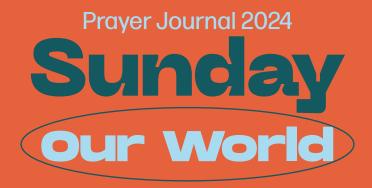
- Pray for a spiritual atmosphere change across neighbourhoods, villages, towns and cities within the East Midlands and its 4.8 million population (as of 2023) Across the 1.1 million people living in Toulouse and the region.
- Pray for the Moving Forward Partnership that is led from Arena Church. This is a partnership with around a dozen leaders and churches from Scotland down to London across the Midlands and onto the East coast. Many of these leaders are pioneering or repurposing churches with small resources, budgets and teams. Pray that God would protect their families.
- For strong, uncompromising Christian voices to arise in politics, media, sports, government, business and the arts.
- For businesses, civic leaders, MP's, local councillors, schools, police, emergency services, healthcare providers, courts, doctors' surgeries and hospitals to have wisdom, integrity and righteousness.
- We pray for the King and his family. The Government, all the armed forces and Civil Servants to have wisdom, blessing and protection across the British Isles.
- For business owners. Influential and wealthy people. The rich and famous to have an encounter with Jesus.
- For the M1 corridor to be reached, impacted & influenced May Gods Kingdom come.

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Internationally:

We are pleased to partner with the below ministries across the nations. We partner in prayer, significant financial support and communication with:-

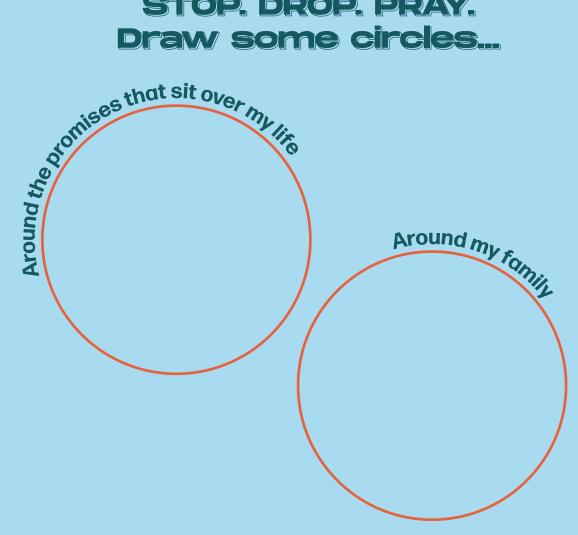
- Rachel Wilson in Albania: Reaching children as well as teaching and training.
- Ghita Ritisan in Romania: APME, a missions sending ministry.
- Sandu and Marinela Maghiar in Namibia: Church planting and children's ministry.
- Stefan and Jamilla Pap in Slovakia: Church planting and Bible training amongst the Roma community.
- Patrick and Lucile in France: Their small team in Toulouse.
 Church planting in one of France's largest cities.
- The Shafati family in Greece: Serving and church planting in Thessaloniki amongst Persians.
- Mission India: supporting 5 church planters and their families in Assam, North East India.
- Compassion International particularly in the Mugumo Village, Kenya: Many people support over 80 children with education, schooling, clothing, medicine and food for them and their families.
- Open Doors (opendoorsuk.org, a charity doing)



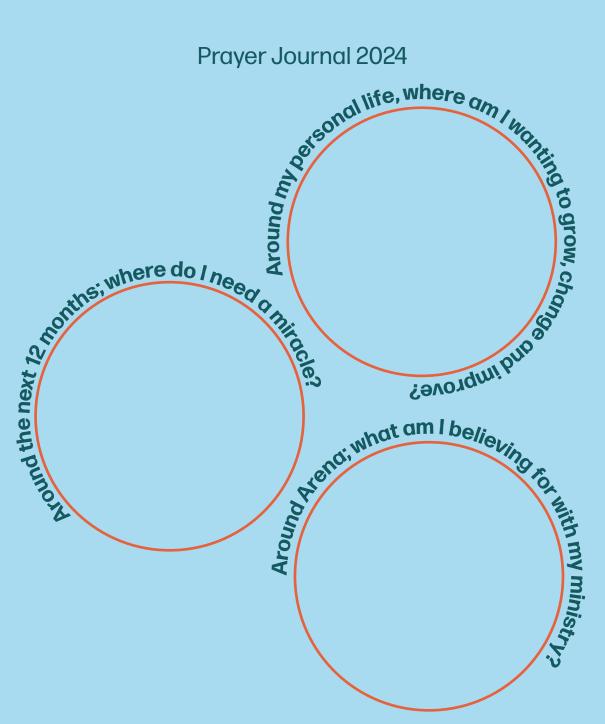
- tremendous work supporting the persecuted church worldwide). 340 million Christians are in a persecuted context. We pray for those people who love God yet are persecuted or are in prison for their faith.
- For terror groups to be caught and thwarted in their plans.
- For people affected by war who have been displaced.
- For those who are trafficked, abused and in slavery.
- For refugees. Those who are starving due to famine, those in prison and subject to violence and wickedness.
- For those in the world in great need without food, clean water and medicines.

'Ask me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.' - Psalm 2:8

STOP. DROP. PRAY. Draw some circles...



Dream big, pray hard, think long.



Recommended reading:

The Circle Maker - Mark Batterson Fasting - Jentezen Franklin

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Personal Prayers

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