

Battle Baptist Church
Week of Prayer - 25th to 31st January 2021

We are gathering as a church to pray:
to pause and spend time in the presence of God,
to come before him in confession,
to seek after his heart,
to be challenged as to what the future looks like for us as a church here in Battle;
and to be equipped, so that we are able to follow in the direction he is leading us in.

Ways we can engage:

- Daily Rhythms
- Hourly Prayer Slots
- Zoom prayer meetings
- Share and feedback what God might be saying to us

Daily Rhythms

7:14am (or first thing)

We may already begin the day coming to God in prayer. Throughout this week, why not start each day, pausing to read 2 Chronicles 7:14 and share in the following prayer? It aims to help us centre ourselves on Jesus.

Lord, have your way,
Meet with me afresh this day.
Clear the debris from within,
Fill me to overflowing once again.
Thank you for your grace and mercy.
Breathe new life into these bones
That you may lead me on.
Be glorified alone,
In and through all I do,
As I get to walk with you,
Into all that is ahead.
Amen.

12.00 noon (or lunchtime)

There is something very powerful about 'punctuating' our day with prayer. It might be worth setting a reminder on your phone or an alarm of some kind to help prompt you.

Why not pause to pray the Lord's Prayer? We may not be physically together, but the opening line speaks of **our** Father.

You may be able to take your time to pray each line, pausing as you go.
You may not have that space and time, which is totally fine.

We are seeking to draw nearer to the Lord, and to focus our attention on him in the midst of whatever is going on around us.

Hourly Prayer Slots

From 9am - 9pm Monday 25th to Saturday 31st January.

Please go to www.battlebaptistchurch.org.uk and click on the 'Week of Prayer' tab at the top of the page.

Here you will find instructions on how to book the day and time of your prayer slot, via an online secure diary that is hosted by 24-7 Prayer. By committing to one or more slots, this will not only help us to focus our prayer time, but will enable us to imagine both receiving and passing on the 'baton' of prayer with others in our church family across the week.

Due to the current restrictions, we are not able to gather in person or even use the prayer room on the church premises. That does not stop us coming together in prayer.

Any questions please contact Jo via the office email office@battlebaptistchurch.org.uk

Here are some suggested materials and tools that you might find helpful as you pray:

Some of us might be thinking... *how will I pray for a whole hour?!*

Have a look at these 60 minute prayer guides.

[https://www.24-7prayer.com/downloads/60%20Minute%20Prayer%20Guides\(2\).pdf](https://www.24-7prayer.com/downloads/60%20Minute%20Prayer%20Guides(2).pdf)

A helpful guide for those of us struggling to pray.

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/taketime>

Learn to listen to God

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/listen>

5 simple ways to pray for our world.

[https://www.24-7prayer.com/downloads/5%20Simple%20Ways%20to%20Pray%20for%20the%20World\(1\).pdf](https://www.24-7prayer.com/downloads/5%20Simple%20Ways%20to%20Pray%20for%20the%20World(1).pdf)

A Coronavirus prayer.

https://www.24-7prayer.com/downloads/coronavirus_prayer_print_version.pdf

A guided audio meditation based on Nehemiah 1-2 'Responding to the passion God puts in our hearts'. You will find it helpful to have your bible for this one, and some way of taking notes.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-530362038/nehemiah-meditation/s-JNSs0SWqnhg>

There are other useful prayer resources and tools on the 24-7 Prayer website. The link to these is on the left-hand side of the prayer slot booking page – 'Prayer Resources'. There is also a range of resources in the Prayer Course toolshed. <https://prayercourse.org/toolshed/>

