

Prayer Focus 23rd September 2018

Also you shall observe the Feast of the Harvest of the first fruits of your labours from what you sow in the field; also the Feast of the Ingathering at the end of the year when you gather in the fruit of your labours from the field. Exodus 23:16

Blessed are you Adonai our God, Sovereign of all,
who, has kept us alive, sustained us and brought us to this season.

"Judge each day not by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant." RL Stevenson

Father, as we celebrate this season of thanksgiving
We give thanks for the blessings of food, provision and nourishment.
Please grow in us a harvest for the world.
Come sow a seed of hope within our souls Lord,
that we might yield goodness, patience and kindness in abundance.
Sow a seed of peace in our lives Lord,
that we might bear the fruits of forgiveness, compassion and righteousness.
Come sow a seed of love in our hearts Lord,
that others would reap the blessings of family, friendship and community.
May each seed of hope, peace and love
grow within us into a harvest that can be feasted on by all.
Amen.

EBC Focus:- Please pray for all those at EBC who serve with any leadership responsibility.

Give thanks for & bless those who have served previously enabling EBC to be where it is today. Pray that there will be enough people willing to serve at EBC & in the surrounding community. Pray for those who serve on the many rotas ie welcoming, coffee & car park.

Street of the Week:- Businesses on the Industrial Estate

World Prayer Points:- All around the World people are experiencing severe weather which has caused many to loose their homes & livelihoods. Pray that they will receive help, pray for co-ordinated effective relief efforts. Pray for protection against further storms.

From Tearfund:- Pray for God's protection over civilians in Idlib, north-western Syria, as the area faces escalating hostility. Pray for wisdom for the leaders involved, as this conflict could lead to a new wave of displacement. Continue to lift up the estimated 6.2 million people forced from their homes inside Syria.

From Open Doors:- Our persecuted family in Nigeria are in desperate need of our prayers as Fulani herdsmen continue to attack and kill Christians in the central state of Plateau. Last month, more than 20 people were killed in raids by Fulani militants.