



Prayers & Thanksgiving for September to November



We join together to pray with one voice:

Thankyou Lord for the glories of the summer months. As we watch the seasons begin to change into the mists and cooler times of autumn, we give thanks for the colours which enhance our local area. Lord God, as your creation reflects the natural resources around us, we pray that we shall remain thoughtful stewards of the environment for us and for future generations.



As the new school year begins, we thank you God for the summer when memories have been made and shared. Now, as families return to regular routines of school, be with children as they meet new teachers and learn new lessons. Be with all who are leaving home for the first time to follow further education, or entering the world of work. Lord Jesus thank you for the gift of learning and for teachers who work to encourage a love of learning.

Autumn, a time to celebrate Harvest. Although our land has been parched, we have received your blessings to ensure that we have food. Thank you for the skills and commitments of farmers and gardeners. We think of places around the world where harvests fail and there is not enough food to support people's needs. Lord we pray for a time when no one will go hungry. Help us to support all in need locally and around the world to find nourishment.



As nights start to draw in, we give thanks for our homes, for the comfort and protection they offer. We think of those who find it difficult to feel safe at home and those who, because of circumstances, live on the streets. We give thanks for the communities where we live, and the love and support of neighbours and friends. Lord Jesus, bless all who find it difficult to find friends and particularly for all who feel lonely and alone. Help them to know that you are always with them.

As the clocks go back and evenings grow dark, we give thanks for the light that still remains in our lives. We think of those who find these darker months hard, whose mood grows low as the days get shorter. Lord Jesus, be with them in the darkness. Help us to look out for one another, and to bring comfort and encouragement to those who need it most.



Through November, we have opportunities to remember those who are no longer with us but who played an important role in our lives, and in some cases, in the life of our nation. As we mark Remembrance Sunday, we pray that our remembrance will lead to a deeper respect for those who have lost their lives in war. Help us to show a greater commitment to working towards a better, peaceful future. Lord Jesus, we pray for people to learn how to live in fellowship, unity and peace.

Father God, may we be people who seek first and foremost you and your kingdom in all we pray, do and are.