

Prayer
in the
Maranatha
Community



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Our prayer is, Come, Lord Jesus!

A Community of Prayer and Love

The Maranatha Community is a praying community of Christian believers who are active in all the main churches. We are a pilgrim people scattered all over the United Kingdom and abroad. We pray the prayer of the Early Church – 'Maranatha' – 'Come Lord Jesus!' We are committed to praying, working, praising, learning, witnessing and serving together. We are not a breakaway group. We are not a church. We positively encourage our members to be more effective Christians where they worship, live and work.

In seeking first the Kingdom we believe there should be less debate and more prayer. Therefore, all decisions in the life of the Community are made through listening and waiting before God. Every aspect of the Community's work is the subject of prayer and we do nothing unless we are of one heart and mind in the Lord.

We stand firm on the truth that Jesus Christ is the Saviour and Healer of the world and that we may encounter His living presence in our lives here and now.

As Christians we are committed to the **unity** of all believers, a fuller understanding of Christ's **healing** ministry and the **renewal** of the Faith in our land and in our churches. We are little brothers and sisters of Jesus who endeavour to live and speak the Gospel in **simplicity** and in spiritual **poverty**. We sense a great **urgency** in the call of God to His people today.

A Daily Pattern of Prayer

Members of the Maranatha Community endeavour to pray for one another each day. Many pray for the Community early every morning, others pray particularly at 10 pm, often using the Maranatha 'Compline'.

At the Maranatha office there is a simple Prayer Room which is used for private and corporate prayers. The room contains many reminders of Maranatha links with Christians in different parts of the world. It is open to everyone and all are welcome.

Each working day at 12 noon we pray a 'Daily Office' of prayer in the Prayer Room, which is usually livestreamed onto the 'pray' page of the Maranatha website.

Maranatha Prayer Cells

There are Prayer Cells, groups of 3 or more people all around the UK, Ireland and further afield, who commit themselves to pray for the requests made to the Community, usually on a weekly basis. Prayer requests are sent weekly to each prayer cell, by email or post, to ensure the maximum amount of sharing and feedback.

To ask our Prayer Cells to pray for someone or something you can email prayer@maranathacommunity.org.uk or ring the office on 0161 748 4858. Each prayer request should be no more than one short paragraph. The list for the week is compiled on a Monday afternoon and only first-names of people are published.

Local Maranatha Groups

Local Maranatha Groups meet in many parts of the UK and pray together. There are also occasional larger Maranatha Gatherings in churches of various denominations.

Links with other Prayer Networks

The Maranatha Community has established close and loving relationships with many other prayer groups and networks throughout the British Isles and overseas. We are being drawn together as one in Christ. We are also linked with various prayer centres throughout the world.

In the Maranatha Community we are convinced that God is today urgently calling His people to repentance and belief through prayer. We pray for the Church. We pray for the nations. We pray for the coming of God's Kingdom.

Maranatha Prayers for Healing

The Community is engaged in praying with and for people who seek help, and at every Maranatha Gathering there are prayers for healing. Maranatha teams offer Life Prayer – a prayer for inner healing for individuals and are available to advise on prayer for specific situations.

Contemplative Prayer

There is a great hunger for a deeper encounter with God. Pope John Paul II said that there will be no revival without contemplative prayer. In the past Maranatha has run teaching courses on prayer and silent retreats. These are currently under review.

Publications on Prayer

The following is a selection of Maranatha publications on prayer:

Christian Healing (A teaching summary by Dennis Wrigley)	£0.30
Christian Prayer (A teaching summary by Dennis Wrigley)	£0.30
The Shalom Prayer (A preparatory prayer for healing)	£0.30
About Love	£0.30
A Life Prayer (Offering up our life to God in prayer)	£0.30
Contemplative Prayer	£0.30
Liturgy of Faith, Hope & Power	£0.30
Micro Prayers (a pack of 15 sets of prayers)	£3.90
Awareness of who I am (A devotional sheet of affirming scripture statements)	£0.30
Listening to God	£0.30
A Spiritual check-up	£0.30
Maranatha Prayer Folder	£0.30
Maranatha 'Compline'	£0.30
The Daily Office (set of 4 weeks of 5 days)	£2.00
The Healing Ministry – Life Prayer (Teaching notes)	£3.50
Shalom CD	£7.95
About Love CD	£7.95
<u>Books</u>	
Encounter with God	£6.99
Walking with God	£3.95
From Darkness into Light – Facing human unhappiness	£4.95
Prayers and Meditations for Today	£2.50
The Cross of Christ	£1.75

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