

1. Families

Pray for parents as they get used to home schooling. This next two weeks is the Easter holiday which means there is no work set by the schools. Pray for wisdom, patience, love and strength, particularly for parents whose situation makes caring for their children throughout the week challenging. Pray this would be a season where parents within our church family would learn to instruct their children in the Lord.

2. Authorities

It is important we continue to pray for those in authority with all the challenging decisions they face at the moment. Pray for wisdom, humility, and justice, particularly as the government enforces its rule more directly in the current circumstances. Pray for the policy as they enforce social distancing measures, as well as peace and unity as we respond as a nation. Pray too for Bradford Council as they take responsibility for caring for the vulnerable during this time. Pray for capacity, and good relationships with churches and other voluntary organisations involved across the city.

3. NHS

Continue to pray for NHS staff caring for coronavirus patients in difficult conditions, and at risk to their own lives. Pray for the provision of personal protective equipment, and God's protection over them. Pray specifically for those you know from our church family working at the BRI or other hospitals, that God would enable them to serve sacrificially and boldly at this time.

4. Boldness over Easter

Pray for opportunities to share the good news of Jesus death and resurrection over this next week. Pray for courage both individually and as a church, to be pointing people to the hope of the gospel at this time. You could think of particular people God has put in your life.

5. Protection from temptation

The Lord's prayer ends *lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one*. Pray this for yourself as you head into another week. Name particular areas where you need the Lord's help and protection.