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Thought for the Week – from Caroline SOME SUGGESTED PRAYERS

For the Fellowship:

Thank you, Father God, for my fellowship, perhaps I shouldn't call it my fellowship, but Your fellowship, for you said the church was Your body, and that's very wonderful. Thank you, Father, that the church does belong to You, and help me to remember that, despite all the faults and weaknesses which I see in it. Forgive us, Father, for being so far below the ideal you would like to see; and Father, please make me part of the solution and not part of the problem. I pray for the leaders, the minister, the elders, and all others who influence our life together. Please fill them with Your Holy Spirit and give them the gifts they need for this wonderful work. Please help me to play my part in Your church, and may Your church be a place where we can gladly take our friends, and where they will meet You and sense your presence the moment they get inside the door. May Your church grow inwardly, in its spiritual life, and numerically by those who are added to our number week by week. Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

For your own growth as a Christian:

Father God, You know exactly who I am, and You know how far I have gone in my life's journey and my pilgrimage towards being the person You want me to be. Thank you for all that you have done already in my life, and please show me the next step that

you want me to take. Help me, in my prayer, to grow closer to you and to understand what You are saying to me. May I keep learning more about Your will, and not just telling you mine. Help me, Lord, as I read Your Holy word; I want to understand how it all fits together, but, most of all, I want to hear You speaking every time I pick it up, and in every passage I read. Lord, You know what you want me to be, and I ask Your Holy Spirit to enter into me and take me this day one step further, as I move towards that goal. Thanking You in Jesus' name, Amen.

For the young people:

Dear Father, I know You love children and young people, and I know Jesus never turned them away even when other people wanted to. Lord, may our church be a welcoming place for young people, a place where they will feel thoroughly at home, and where they can be themselves without embarrassment. We don't find it easy to serve young people, because their ways are so different from ours, even those of us who are only a few years older! So please give Your special help to those who teach our children on Sunday mornings, and to youth workers who meet them in schools and at church activities during the week. Grant, Lord, that these young ones may come to know You while they are young, so that their whole lives may be filled with Your love, and they may grow to be useful servants in the world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

From a booklet written by Peter Barker entitled *How Can I Pray*.

Diary Dates

Sunday 17th December, 10.30am: Carol Singing on the Barton followed by Christmas Explored in the Community Centre then a Christmas meal – all welcome, invite your family and friends and let Viv know the numbers

Saturday 3rd–10th August 2024: Revive 2024 "Fearless and Free" at Ashburnham Place – bookings now open at revivelive.co.uk – special Jubilee camping offer, see www.revivelive.co.uk/jubilee-2024/

Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing. (Isaiah 43:18-19a)