

Prayers for 2 August

God who feeds your hungry people,
we bring you our prayers for our church and our world.

We pray for those who experience physical hunger:
for farmers surviving on meagre crops and low prices,
for mothers struggling to feed their children,
for families getting by on cheap food and cut-price bargains.

We thank you for the weekly donations to the DENS foodbank and ask you to
make us and our community generous in our gifts.

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hear our prayer

We pray especially today for aid agencies bringing relief to those in desperate
need in Yemen, South Sudan, Syria, Somalia and other places without the
resources to deal with Coronavirus. We pray for the Disasters Emergency
Committee and for a generous response to our August appeal

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We pray for those for whom food means difficulty rather than enjoyment:
for those who cannot eat because of illness,
for those who experience eating disorders or a loathing of their bodies,
for those who eat to mask loneliness or unhappiness.

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We pray for those whose hunger is not physical;
for those longing for companionship and friendship,

for those searching for meaning and purpose,
for those reaching out for an end to grief and pain.

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We pray for ourselves, who seek to live in your way;
when we are weary and dispirited,
when our resources seem stretched to breaking-point,
when we hunger and thirst for a sense of your presence:

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We pray for all who are sick, whether in body, mind or spirit, and especially for
Zachary Sayers, Karen Wade, Penny Havercroft, David Johnston, Michael
Vickars, William Campbell, Samuel Lung, Sarah Osborne, Izzy Jones, Richard
Pilbeam, Sharon Pilbeam, Deryck Flashman and Joan Graham

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We pray for all who mourn, especially the families and friends of Elizabeth
Wright, Margaret Taylor, Anthony Hartnoll, Peggy Grant and Don MacDonald

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Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen