



The Purple Shawl

"I urge you . . . to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me." Romans 15:30

While serving as my mom's live-in caregiver at a cancer center hundreds of miles away from my home, I asked people to pray for us. As the months passed, isolation and loneliness sapped my strength. How could I care for my mom if I gave in to my physical, mental, and emotional exhaustion?

One day, a friend sent me an unexpected care package. Jodi had crocheted a purple prayer shawl, a warm reminder that we had people praying for us daily. Whenever I wrapped the soft yarn around my shoulders, I felt God hugging me with the prayers of His people. Years later, He still uses that purple shawl to comfort me and strengthen my resolve.

The apostle Paul affirmed the importance and spirit-refreshing power of praying for others. Through his passionate request for prayerful support and encouragement during his travels, Paul demonstrated how those who pray for others become partners in ministry (Romans 15:30). Offering specific requests, the apostle not only showed his dependence on the support of fellow believers but his trust that God powerfully answers prayer (vv. 31–33).

We'll all experience days when we feel alone. But Paul shows us how to ask for prayer as we pray for others. When we're wrapped in the intercessory prayers of God's people, we can experience God's strength and comfort no matter where life takes us.

By: Xochitl Dixon - Taken from odb.org



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Meeting ID: 840 134 7522, Passcode: 2007691 Click [HERE](#)

Announcements / News

- **Global Youth Day (GYD) – 20th March.** To celebrate this year's GYD, Pathfinders and Teens chose to GO and be the sermon of love and care.
 - Today, 20th March is Global Youth Day and marks the **beginning of the Youth Week of Prayer** and a programme of morning and evening devotionals has been planned by the BUC. Please see [BUC website](#) for further details
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- **Online Prayer Meeting** on Wednesday at 7pm. Join us on Zoom. ID: 86332812854, Password: 063944
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- **Women's Ministry** programme on Saturday 20th March at 3pm. Kindly join us for our afternoon programme on the theme 'Perils of Pain'. Zoom ID - 2509665133, Passcode - 243467. We look forward to seeing you.
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LILIES FOR EASTER is a fund-raising initiative for ADRA UK. Their funds are badly depleted, and they need to raise £500,000 this year. Fund raising activities will continue all year in all the churches, so if you have a fund-raising idea please contact Audrey.

HOW TO DONATE - If you would like to beautify the church by saying 'Thank you' to God, or to a family member or friend, or if you would like to give thanks for the life of someone, then donate a lily or lilies and help ADRA at the same time.

1. Please send your short dedication/s to Audrey

- abalderstone@btconnect.com

2. Either pay £5 per lily into the church account * with the reference Lilies ADRA

OR send a cheque to Audrey made out to ADRA UK.

3. Lilies and dedications will be displayed in the church on Easter Sabbath.

4. Lilies and dedications can be collected outside the church after the service.

**The church bank account details can be found at the end of this eBulletin. Thank you.*

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- **ADRA** As we will not be able to collect door to door for ADRA again this year, Audrey Balderstone has come up with a fund raising idea. She plans to give a donation to ADRA for the birthday of each of her friends and relatives during the year. She is also asking for donations to ADRA instead of birthday presents to her. If you would like to swell the fund for ADRA you could donate in honour of a friend or family member - or as a 'thank you' present for God's blessings. **To donate please go to Audrey's Just Giving' page:** <https://justgiving.com/fundraising/Audrey-Balderstone1>

Cradle Roll Programme MARCH Sabbath at 9:45am
on [Youtube](#) and [Facebook](#).

Pathfinders in the Teen Leadership Programme have created the Club of tomorrow, where they chose their directors, deputies and counsellors through a voting system. Their task has been to organise the Induction programme to welcome new pathfinders to our club, which is taking place this Saturday afternoon. They also launched the initiative of Reaching Out elderly members of our church/neighbourhood.



Teens group also in action will be reaching their communities by Planting Seeds of Hope among their neighbours/teachers/church/non-Christian friends. The small pots of flowers' seeds carry a bible verse about hope, faith and love.

- **Live Broadcast** - Stanborough Park Church will be represented by two of our Pathfinders in the Global Youth Day live Broadcast at 1pm this Saturday, where they will share a brief report about both activities.
[facebook.com/adventistyouthukandireland](https://www.facebook.com/adventistyouthukandireland)
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- **DBS checks** Please contact Uche Ademuyiwa by email dbs@stanboroughpark.org to renew your DBS certificate if it is 3 years or over, or to get a new one. The DBS checks will be done online. All those who have recently received their DBS certificate need to notify the church by email to the same address mentioned above. An arrangement will be put in place to verify the certification
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- **We are sad to announce** the death recently of Margaret Read. Maggie, as she was known, was a member of our church here for many years. She taught at Stanborough School and also worked at the Trans European Division Office in the late sixties. Please remember her family in your prayers.
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- **SOS mix for sale** – contact Pat Walton if you would like to purchase some. All proceeds to the Church Development Fund.
Contact Pat on 07788311097 or 01923 672500.
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- **Upcoming dates: **Easter service: 3 April | Communion: 10 April****

Church Office recommendation

Audio Visual Team leader - Eric Wolfram – 2nd reading

If there are any queries on these names please contact the pastoral team in the first instance.



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