

Prayer Breakfast - Saturday 12 June 2021 led by Andy Willetts



As we join together in prayer today, there are many things that come to mind for prayer, so as we gather over our breakfasts, be they cereals, toast or even a fry-up, let's offer to God the things that are in our own hearts first and then use these notes to help us pray as Andy suggests:



Andy says: For our prayer breakfast this month I thought that we could pray for the G7 summit that is taking place in Cornwall this weekend as we pray. Below is a short summary of what will be discussed at the summit taken from the Government's own web site, but adapted for our prayer:

The UK is taking on the Presidency of the G7 at a critical time for the whole world. Prime Minister Boris Johnson will use the UK's G7 Presidency to unite leading democracies to help the world fight, to intensify cooperation between the world's democratic and technologically advanced nations, and then build back better from coronavirus and endeavour to create a greener, more prosperous future for all. To that end, he has invited leaders from Australia, India, South Korea and South Africa to attend as guest countries to deepen the expertise and experience around the table. Between them the 11 leaders represent over 60% of the people living in democracies around the world, that is 2.2 billion people and over half of the world's economy. Securing agreement among them will have an even greater impact on the world, showing how democratic nations working together can make their citizens safer and more prosperous.

Let's pray for wise discussions made with justice and integrity for all the people that these men and women represent as they consider their roles in:



- Leading the global recovery from coronavirus while strengthening resilience against future pandemics
- Promoting future prosperity by championing free and fair trade
- Tackling climate change and preserving the planet's biodiversity
- Championing shared values

Creating a stronger global health system that can protect all from future pandemics. Tackling coronavirus has been the biggest shared endeavour of our lifetimes, and the global effort to develop new vaccines and treatments for coronavirus has shown what can be achieved by working together. As the world recovers from the pandemic, the world also faces a tipping point with regards to the climate and natural environment. The hope is work together to protect the future of our planet and provide financial support for developing countries to do the same. By protecting 30% of the land and of the ocean by 2030 this will help look after the natural environment for future generations. As the wealthier countries recover, they must champion these values and support the poorest nations to grow alongside them. They will need to promote global development and democracy, supporting ideals such as girls' education, food security, health and sustainable development financing for all nations.

So, let us pray for:

- The role which the Church can play in the global recovery
- The distribution of vaccines that can offer a way to end the pandemic and to strengthen global resilience against future pandemics
- Tackling climate change and preserving the planet's biodiversity
- Championing shared values and free and fair trade

Finally, ask God what your personal role is in all of this....

