Trinity Climate Action Prayer Support – July, 2024

Dear Supporter,

We normally major on the environment, but there are times when we need to look at the broader picture and I think now is one of those times.

1. King of Kings, we intercede that the **Judeo-Christian foundation** on which our country’s culture and democratic values were established will remain firm despite the acceptance of many secular beliefs and attitudes across society. Please grant us leaders who desire to build on this heritage in our ever-changing world. In Christ’s name. Amen. (care.org)
2. **General Election**, 4th July, 2024. Dear God of mercy and grace, please help each of us today to vote according to our conscience and with wisdom. Please pray that everyone who wants to will be able to send in their postal vote or be able to get to their local polling station and fill in their ballot paper in privacy. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

And now to eco matters closer to Trinity.

1. Give thanks for all those adults and children who volunteered to help, took part in the **Ark Experience**, led tours, celebrated the special Inaugural Service, sampled the after-service coffee and cakes and toured the Eco Community Garden, Living Wall and Hub facilities. We pray these activities will have a positive effect on them all and prosper this soft approach to evangelism.
2. Give thanks for the design, beauty, establishment and funding of our **Trinity Eco Community Garden** and “Living Wall”. Give thanks for all the volunteers who helped clear the site and “populate” it. Please pray that the “garden” will be a blessing to the church and local community as it continues to mature in future. (remembering the words of Dorothy Frances Gurney’s poem entitled, “God’s Garden” about being nearer to God’s heart.)

The Trinity Eco Group are progressing to complete the Eco Church Survey, compile “hard evidence” and be able to submit it to the A Rocha judges to achieve a Gold Eco Church Award.

1. Please pray for guidance and wisdom for **the Trinity Eco Group** as they meet on Tuesday, 2nd July, to focus on what is required and give thanks for all the people who are helping them. May all their activities be successful and help us achieve a Gold Eco Church Award.
2. Give thanks for all those who registered with Creation Care and calculated the Carbon Footprint of **their households**. Pray that more people will be motivated to do the same.
3. Give thanks for all those who calculated and helped calculate the Carbon Footprint of **the church/Trinity** (as opposed to individual households) which provides hard evidence for us.
4. Please pray for our **Eco Church Publicity –** Newsletters, Prayer Letters, Eco News, Facebook, website, and Church Notices.Bless and give thanks for our publicists, Helen and Lizzie. Pray for inspiration about what is written or pictured and how to make it newsworthy. May it catch the interest of its readers and spark them to take action.
5. Please pray for wisdom about how best I should word my report at the Church General Meeting on Sunday, 7th July, and encourage people to help provide hard evidence for our submission.

“Stiller of storms, healer of minds, restorer of lives, our world is in chaos, the waves are overwhelming, as if creation itself is in the throes of death. Forgive our self-belief and lack of trust, bring us back to our senses, sweep your blessing hand over us, that the rising tide may recede, shade be cast over parched land and our children live in the promised fulness. Amen.” *(Prayer from the ‘The Earth is the Lord’s’, Methodist Prayer Handbook, 2020/21, by Bruce Thompson, Lincolnshire District Chair,, 2021)*

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