

Midday Prayers 2023: Transformation – Now!
September
Seasons

Monday: Seasons

As long as the earth endures,
seedtime and harvest, cold and heat,
summer and winter, day and night
will never cease.

Genesis 8:22

**God of the seasons,
Lord of the harvest,
we bring you our
first fruits of praise.**

God of the seasons,
we give you thanks
for the rhythm of life
by which our days are set.

As day follows night
so harvest follows seedtime
and we receive once more
the provision of our Creator.
From summer to winter
we are blessed by the crop
of his lavish abundance
which delights and sustains
throughout every season.

Lord of the harvest,
we give you thanks
for your covenant provision
by which our needs are met.

**God of the seasons,
Lord of the harvest,
we bring you our
first fruits of praise.**
Amen

Tuesday: Seasons of life

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity
under the heavens.

Ecclesiastes 3:1

**Throughout life there are seasons
and moments of significance.**

Times to celebrate life
and times to mourn loss.

Seasons of laughter
and seasons of sadness.

Times of new beginnings
and times of final endings.

Moments of unexpected joy
moments of unwanted challenge.

Times to draw close together
and times of letting go.

Seasons of harmony
and seasons of discord.

Moments to look forward with hope
moments to look back with thanksgiving.

**Lord of the seasons,
God in the moment,
we bring you our worship and praise.
Amen**

Wednesday: Serving in every season

Let us not grow weary in doing good,
for in due season we shall reap,
if we do not give up.
Galatians 6:9 (MEV)

**Lord of each and every season,
we celebrate your goodness.
We bless your holy name.**

Gracious God,
the signs of your kingdom are growing
but the workers to gather are few.
Send us out in every season
to the harvest fields of life.

**May those who sow and those who reap
rejoice in an abundant harvest
of goodness and grace.**

Give us your strength to carry on
throughout changing seasons,
knowing that we will reap blessings
both now and for eternity.

**Lord of each and every season,
we celebrate your goodness.
We bless your holy name.
Amen**

Thursday: Seasons of change

God changes times and seasons...
He gives wisdom to the wise
and knowledge to the discerning.
Daniel 2:21

**God of changing times and seasons
we give praise that you remain the same
whilst your mercies are ever new.**

We pray for all who approach a change in season:
Where the past has been good, may they be thankful,
and filled with vision for the season ahead.

Where the past has been hard, may they know rest,
and be filled with hope for the season ahead.

Give us all grace to embrace seasons of change;
to set aside regrets and welcome fresh paths,
with trust in your unchanging love.

**God of changing times and seasons
we give praise that you remain the same
whilst your mercies are ever new.
Amen**

Friday: Seasons of fruitfulness

The one whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on his law day and night,
is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season.

Psalm 1:2-3

**Loving Lord,
we take delight in you.
Plant your love within us
that we may enjoy seasons
of abundant fruitfulness.**

Lead us, loving Father,
to fertile places; to cultivate
a harvest of faith.

Teach us, gracious Saviour,
to nestle close to you; that the Spirit
may produce fruit in us.

Grow us, heavenly Gardener,
into those who have spiritual food
to share with the world.

**Loving Lord,
we take delight in you.
Nurture us with your goodness
that we may enjoy seasons
of abundant fruitfulness.
Amen**

Saturday: Content in every season

I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation,
whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want.
I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

Philippians 4:12-13

**Lord, give me a heart of contentment
in every season through which I walk.**

An attitude of thanksgiving,
whether the storehouse for life seems empty
or overflowing with blessed provision.

**Lord, give me a spirit of contentment
in every season through which I walk.**

An inner strengthening by Christ,
to trust in his constant faithfulness
whether tears overwhelm or all is well.

**Lord, teach me the secret of contentment
for every season through which I live.**

The peace beyond all understanding,
which guards my heart
and turns fear to faith.

Amen

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

- 1-2** Harare in Zimbabwe; Machakos in Kenya; Ogori-Magongo & Ekiti in Nigeria; Southwark in England and Phulbani in India
- 3 – 5** Khartoum in Sudan; Dar es Salaam in Tanzania; Bari & Ilesa in Nigeria; Gloucester in England and Dugapur in India
- 6 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 7 – 9** Pacong in South Sudan; Southern Nyanza in Kenya; Kutigi & Ijesha North in Nigeria; Bristol in England and Karnataka Central in India
- 10 – 12** Pretoria in South Africa; North Mbale in Uganda; Oke-Osun in Nigeria; Exeter in England and Barbados
- 13 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 14 – 16** Mthatha in South Africa; Namirembe in Uganda; Pankshin & Sabongidda-Ora in Nigeria; Dublin & Glendalough in All Ireland and Central Solomons in Solomon Islands
- 17– 19** Buye in Burundi; Sebei in Uganda; Abakaliki & Ekiti-Oke in Nigeria; Southwell & Nottingham in England and Belize
- 20 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 21 – 23** Rumbek in South Sudan; Soroti in Uganda; Aba Ngwa North & Oyo in Nigeria; Peterborough in England and North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba
- 24 – 26** Makamba in Burundi; North Karamoja in Uganda; Lokoja & Sapele in Nigeria; Truro in England and Tirunelveli in India
- 27 Mothers' Union worldwide**
- 28 – 30** Katanga in DR Congo; Rwenzori in Uganda; Mbaise & Egba in Nigeria; Meath & Kildare in All Ireland and Tiruchirappalli Thanjavur in India

Final Blessing

May the Lord of peace himself give us peace
at all times and in every season.

The Lord be with us all.

Amen