

October

This month we are focusing on;

Being patient with others. We all want instant gratification and want things without waiting. We expect packages delivered the same day, immediate results in the gym, food delivered to us pre-cut... We can even have a book read to us or summarized for us so that we don't have to read them. Modern life has led us to a life where we have very little patience. We should slow down now and then, hear what God has to say and practice a little patience.

BIBLE FOCUS

1 Corinthians 13:4-5 - Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

PRAYER ACTIVITY

Braid a bracelet from wool or thread, though it may take time to create and finish, know that the finished product will be one that you can be proud of and will be worth keeping, while exercising patience throughout. You can even use the time creating a bracelet to pray for those you know who may need patience too at this time.

EVENTS

Cook Islands - Sports Competition
Bahamas - Elections
Cayman Islands - Leaders retreat

PRAYERS

Week 1 - International Day of Older People

Pray for all older people in your respective communities and worldwide. Identify key older figures from your GB Fellowship that have made invaluable contributions to GB. Create posters of these individuals noting what they have done for GB and how long they were involved with GB or coordinate visits to see some of the identified figures and share in a time of fellowship.

Week 2 - International Day of the Girl

This day recognizes girls' rights and the unique challenges girls face around the world. Pray for all girls around the globe. Encourage your young people to be positive and inspiring to all girls they encounter this week.

Week 3 - Your patience

During this week of prayer place your focus on growing your patience, seek God's guidance to instil patience in your mind, body and soul. Reflect on **1 Corinthians 13:4-5**.

Week 4 - Harvest

As many countries prepare to celebrate harvest, pray that all who participate are patient, generous and safe.

Prayer

Lord, fill my heart with patience. May I be ready to forgive - myself and others, not just this once but as many times as it takes. Please fill my heart with understanding. May I always seek to contemplate what somebody may be suffering before I jump to any conclusions, because I know that You never cease to pardon me. Amen