

## **Intercessions 7-2-21 - NAAMAN'S STORY**

2 Kings 5:1-15 – Mark 1: 40-45

The response to **God of love** is – **Hear our prayer**

When Naaman listened to his servant girl, he put his faith in God and was cured of leprosy. Loving God, help us put our own faith in you as we face the difficulties and hardships of this current pandemic.

We place into your hands the life of this church:

We pray particularly for our clergy, lay ministers and preachers, church wardens and PCC members, the people around us, those attending online and all who make our services possible.

Strengthen our faith in our mission to bring God's love to others.

*Loving God as you have blessed us, make us a blessing to your world*

*God of love*

**Hear our prayer**

We place into the hands of God a world that needs peace, wisdom and healing:

Loving God, we pray for the leaders of every nation; guide them in the ways of justice and peace, taking care to cherish the lives of others placed in their hands, particularly those detained in Russia and Myanmar at this time.

We also pray for the poor, persecuted and displaced of our own and other lands and for the work of Reaching Rwanda/ SURF in their mission towards education, justice and healing for the young and old, scared and scarred by what they have witnessed.

*Loving God, show us how to support SURF and help us make the world a more secure place.*

*God of love*

**Hear our prayer**

We place into the hands of God our families, friends and our community affected by the pandemic:

We thank you for the fast roll-out of the covid vaccine and pray that this will reduce the terrible death toll, aiding our country out of lockdown soon.

We particularly pray:

for the practitioners of our Sandhurst Counselling Service;

for all who are isolated and lonely;

for those who have lost their jobs or whose jobs are at risk;

for families and teachers struggling with home schooling;

for the education of young people and their choices for the future.

*Loving God, give us the strength to reach out and help whenever we see the need.*

*God of love*

**Hear our prayer**

We place into the hands of God those who are close to us who are troubled or suffer illness.  
We pray particularly for those sick with the virus, those who have missed essential  
treatment because of the virus and those who have lost loved ones to the virus.

We silently name those known to us who are suffering today.....

*Loving God, Show us how to love and care for them and bless them with your comfort and  
healing.*

*God of love*  
**Hear our prayer**

We place into the hands of God – Chris Hill, Angelina Yarranton and all who have recently  
died in our parish. Hold them safe in your love and grant them light, rest and peace in your  
eternal kingdom.

We pray for Margaret Hill and her family, Angelina’s family and all who mourn at this time.  
We name our loved ones silently.....

Thank you for the love that bound us together in life  
that lasts forever, even when we die.

*Loving God, meet them at their deepest point of need, to be held in your loving hands today*

*God of love*  
**Hear our prayer**

Loving God, be with us in our isolation,  
Be close to us in our distancing,  
Be healing in our sickness,  
Be light in our darkness,  
Be wisdom in our confusion,  
Be all that is familiar when all is unfamiliar,  
And give us grace to persevere and face the future with hope  
Strengthened by faith in Jesus Christ, Our Lord

Merciful Father  
**Accept these prayers for the sake of your son**  
**Our Saviour Jesus Christ**  
**Amen**