



Prayer Link

Being part of a church family is great for many reasons. One of those is the privilege of praying for others and knowing others are praying for you.

We can of course share our prayer requests with each other informally. Sometimes however churches try to organise a way to share prayer requests around a larger number of people in the church family in an organised manner.

Prayer Link is our way to circulate prayer requests around the church family and also a few people who used to be in the church family here.

If you join Prayer Link, you will be able to share a prayer request so that everyone else in Prayer Link will know about the request and can pray accordingly. If you join Prayer Link, you will receive all the prayer requests that other people make.

How it will work

Prayer Link is available to anybody, as long as they have access to a phone/mobile, email or Facebook.

If you are happy using email, the email address you will need is

prayerlink@chadwellparishchurch.org.uk

You can send your prayer requests to this email and you will receive regular updates of other peoples prayer requests from this email.

OR

If you use Facebook, you can be added to a private group. Only Facebook users who are part of Prayer Link will be able to see prayer requests there.



OR

If you do not use Facebook or email, Elizabeth and Dawn will help you find a 'Link Buddy'. Any prayer requests they receive will be then texted/called to you. If you would like to make a prayer request, you can send that request to your Link Buddy who will then forward your request via email or Facebook.

If you are interested in joining or would just like to know more please speak to Elizabeth Dawson, Dawn Jessup or Mike Walton.

Using Prayer Link Well

When prayer requests are shared and then prayed for across a church community it can be really powerful, encouraging and a way of showing Christian love for each other. We also need to be careful because it is also an opportunity for the devil to turn sharing prayer requests into a thinly veiled excuse for gossip.

Any prayer requests that people share via Prayer Link will only go to other people who have asked to join Prayer Link. However, please don't add prayer requests to Prayer Link if you want them to be treated in a highly confidential manner.

Prayer Link is intended to be a place to share items for prayer, including praise and requests. The focus however is enabling prayer and sharing answers to prayer and not a place to share news.

Some people on Prayer Link are previous church members who still know people in our church family and care for people here.

Every so often, Mike will put the above on Prayer Link as a reminder for us all.

What next?

If you are an Email user...

... you need to contact Elizabeth Dawson, Dawn Jessup or Mike Walton who will ensure Prayer Link update emails are sent to you. If you would like to share a prayer request, please send the request to

prayerlink@chadwellparishchurch.org.uk

You will receive updates on other people's prayer requests every day or so, perhaps less if no requests have been shared.

If you are Facebook user...

... you need to contact Elizabeth Dawson, Dawn Jessup or Mike Walton who will add you to the Prayer Link's private Facebook group.

Once you've been added to the Group, prayer requests from other people will appear in your Newsfeed. If you would like to add a prayer request yourself, please click on the group and add an item.

If you are not a Facebook or email user...

...we shall help you find a Link Buddy. They will be the person who communicates with you about giving and receiving prayer requests.

When we have found you a Prayer Link Buddy they will be the person who links you in.

You will need to agree together how you will receive and give prayer requests via Prayer Link. This might be by text messaging, some other internet based communication (such as Skype, etc) or a traditional phone call. You would need to agree on the frequency of the updates the Link Buddy would need to send to you.

Please speak to Elizabeth Dawson, Dawn Jessup or Mike Walton to get this started.

To join or find out more about Prayer Link speak to either Elizabeth, Dawn or Mike in person or you can contact us using the following details

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Mike Walton	mike@chadwellparishchurch.org.uk 07949 637377

And finally

The apostle Paul tells us in Philippians

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Philippians 4:6 (NIV)

Our heavenly Father loves to hear about the big things in life and the little things. He loves to answer our prayers in a way which is best for his children, for his church and for his glory.

Prayer is a wonderful and powerful privilege, we're praying that Prayer Link will assist us to take part in this privilege more than ever.