



Praise and thanksgiving

"...even them I will bring to My holy mountain and make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted on My altar; for My house shall be called a house of prayer for all people" (Isaiah 56:17, MEV).

What a wonderful promise for us from the Lord as we move on through 2017, joyfully 'arm in arm' together - in ARM Wales! Here is our loving Lord encouraging us, telling us just how acceptable to Him are our sacrificial offerings of prayer. When we feel our prayers are rather pathetic, let's remember that the Lord looks on our hearts. He sees our deep longings to obediently please Him; He sees the hidden sacrifices made for others, and above all for Him; He reminds us that His House will be called a House of Prayer for all people. So when the going gets tough and the spirits low, may these verses from Scripture make our hearts sing again, as we claim the Lord's promise that He will "make [us] joyful in [His] House of Prayer"! Doesn't that uplift you even as you read it?

- We praise and thank You wonderful Lord for the blessing of these words of Scripture, the encouragement they bring, and Your desire for us to be joyful in our praying!
- We thank You for all Your perfect plans for ARM Wales for this year, and the assurance that if we very prayerfully seek it, Your guidance is always readily available to the weakest of Your children.
- In these challenging times when the world seems to be reeling in chaos, we thank You once again, that in Your Presence is fullness of joy, at Your right Hand there are pleasures for evermore. (Psalm 16:11) and "You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You" (Isaiah 26:3).
- We thank You now Father, that as we ask You to help us in our prayers for ARM and one another, You hear us, we are not left alone, and our prayers will rise like incense to Your throne.

Prayer Requests

"...whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours, and when you stand praying forgive."

Please pray for upcoming events planned or supported by ARM this year:-

- Retreats both for north and south. Bishop Andy leading us at Rhowniar, between Tywyn and Aberdyfi, from 8th - 11th May, and for the south, the usual venue at Trefeca in the summer.



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- The planning and organisation by Andy Bookless of a Praise Day in Pembrokeshire.
- The Hiraeth gathering - now in Pontypridd instead of Dolfor.
- All our Executive meetings throughout the year and for each member according to their need, that we may faithfully fulfil all the Lord desires to do through us, for His Glory alone.
- Please pray for Bishop Andy, the catering team from Churches Together in Tywyn, the Worship leader Susie and all who the Lord wishes to attend the retreat in May. We ask Him that all may be for His Glory alone and that all His people will be powerfully blessed, uplifted and strengthened there, to better serve Him.
- Please pray for all planning and arrangements, speaker and attendees of the Trefeca retreat.
- 'Arm in arm' I mentioned at the beginning, so let us pray for one another to grow ever closer to the Lord and each other, to walk in unity and love, and to delight Him in all things.

I end with a prayer for you. "Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you" (2 Thessalonians 3: 16). We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for being there supporting us in prayer, without which we would only limp along. We love you and thank God for you.

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