

COUNTESS FREE CHURCH

Week of Prayer

9th to 16th May 2021

A week where we deliberately set time to pray - looking ahead to God's call on us as a church beyond the pandemic restrictions

Join us at 8pm on Wednesday 12th May live in our church buildings!

There is room for us to spread out in a big circle - so that we can come together to pray into the life and mission of the church.

We will use Isaiah 43:16 - 21 as a focus for our prayers

Pictures to ponder ...

Our church members meeting is Wednesday 26th May. That

A fissure in the rock opening up a canyon between the past and the future. God calls us to jump across - He will lead us on the other side ...

In the new housing areas the new infrastructure of pipes & utilities are being laid amongst what was wasteland. Can we lay the necessary changes to enable people to meet with Jesus?

A brown field developing into an incredible meadow with lush diversity. We can be like little children having fun scattering seeds. Jesus will work through our hands to work the land.

The sun radiating out rays of light - but look carefully and you can see that we the church are in those rays as we witness and do acts of grace across the city.

Strategically Praying!

meeting will include an important discussion about how we will 'be church' beyond the pandemic. This week of prayer is therefore vital as we seek Jesus for His leading. We seek Him for the future ministry that God intends for Countess Free Church ...



Pray yourself through the week using Isaiah 43:16 - 21

Monday: v16-17 Recall and give thanks for all the occasions where God made a way through, clearing enemies and blockages!

Tuesday: v18 Forget ...! Yet do not dwell on how things used to be. That is past now. Dwell with God to be ready for the next steps ...

Wednesday: v19 Ask God to see & understand things <u>His</u> way. Open yourself to Him, and any changes or new ways of thinking He might require of you.

Thursday: v20 Praise God that He works and brings life even 'out there' in the waste places. Open yourself to join with Him in these ventures.

Friday: v21 Ask God to show you who He is working in to reach next, who will join and become His people, to join us in praising Him.

Pray Together

We encourage everyone to have a prayer partner or form a prayer triplet, and meet every 6 to 8 weeks or so to pray together.

Set a time in this week to pray with your partner(s)

IPODS

Small groups of people who live near each other meet to pray for their local streets.

Set a time during this week to pray in your IPODS!