

Prayer Focus 17th November 2019

For it was You who created my inward parts; You knit me together in my mother's womb. Psalm 139:13

World Prematurity Day is observed on 17 November each year to raise awareness of preterm birth and the concerns of preterm babies and their families worldwide. Approximately 15 million babies are born preterm each year, accounting for about one in 10 of all babies born worldwide

How we praise and thank You for the precious little lives of all babies, little toddlers and young children, knowing that each one is special to You and was known in Your heart, even before conception.

We pray especially for those born too early or unwell.

We pray for parents whose joy at a new life has been marred by prematurity or sickness.

May they know the strength and peace that only You can give.

Thank You that You have scheduled every day of each little life..

and we praise and thank You for the special plans and purposes You have for every single new-born child – for all babies and infants.

We pray Your loving protection over all babies and their families and pray that many may be brought up to know the Lord Jesus as their Saviour.

Give parents and grandparents and all those that are in any way connected with young babies the wisdom and grace to care for them in a loving and secure environment.

Guard and protect, guide and provide for each innocent little baby and protect their the hearts and minds from a society that has grown far from the God

Who created them and sent His Son to die -
so that they might live – this we ask in Jesus name, Amen

EBC & Local Focus:- Pray for the women who will receive items from our Hygiene Bank box. Give thanks for those working in women's refuges. Pray for all children who have been effected by relationship break downs and domestic violence.

Street of the Week :- Shottsford Close

Community Prayer Diary:- Swanage Senior Forum - Mel and Gerry Norris

National & World Prayer Points:-

Please pray for BMS. None of the work they do overseas would be possible without BMS World Mission's UK staff. Please pray for them this week, that they will know that their service is just as valuable as that being done around the world, and that they will be able to carry out their work with a Christlike heart. Pray for the Finance and Corporate Services staff team as they work hard behind the scenes to serve BMS personnel and partners in a range of different settings. Pray for the

Department for World Mission as they relate to partners across the world in a range of different cultures and contexts. Pray that the staff in the Communications Department will effectively share the incredible work BMS is doing through creative storytelling, compelling words and photos.