

Prayer Focus 24th November 2019

I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. Matthew 25:35

Lord never let us take clean water and sanitation for granted.

we ask for Your blessings on all communities who are thirsty.

Purify, protect, and multiply their water sources.

May they fully enjoy the benefits of clean water —
essentials like education, fresh crops, and good health.

Remind us of Your command to love our neighbours as we love ourselves.

Don't let us rest until we know we have done everything we can to meet others' need for water.

We pray for women and girls who trek long distances to get water for their families,
as You walk alongside, strengthen and protect them.

Touch precious little ones endangered by poor water, sanitation, and hygiene.

Give them Your strength to fight off the illnesses that wrack their bodies.

Lead their communities to discover clean water sources close by so they can enjoy better health.

Lord, we praise You for being the Source of living water —
the One who satisfies our soul's deepest desire with the joy of salvation.

Lord in so much of the developed world where physical water is abundant, open people's eyes
to recognize You as the only Source of living water for their parched souls.

Let them be refreshed in Your love when they enjoy clean water to drink.

In Jesus name, Amen

EBC & Local Focus:- Please pray for the visit of the Oddments Theatre Company on Friday. Pray especially for children and teachers coming to the afternoon performance.

As Swanage gears up for Christmas may the churches deliver a clear and joyful message of it's real meaning.

Street of the Week :- Kingswood Close

Community Prayer Diary:- Swanage Depression Support Group - Mary Bevis

National & World Prayer Points:-

Heavy rains have hit the Central African Republic (CAR), bringing devastating flooding to a country already impacted by extreme poverty. It's estimated that 57,000 people have already been affected by what is rapidly becoming a humanitarian crisis. The Ubangi River has burst its banks close to the capital city, Bangui, and in other areas of the country. More than 10,000 homes have been destroyed and more than 1,000 wells are flooded across the nation, cutting access to essential safe water supplies. The conflict in CAR that began in 2012 has resulted in 2.6 million people – more than half of the population – relying on humanitarian assistance to survive. The latest floods have compounded

their problems. People are devastated and frustrated after losing their possessions, having not yet recovered from the disastrous conflict in the country.

November 19 was World Toilet Day. There are 2 billion people who do not have basic sanitation facilities such as toilets or latrines. An estimated 844 million people don't have access to clean water. Pray for all those individuals and agencies working around the world to improve people's access to clean water and safe sanitation, that will help prevent diseases and lift people out of poverty.