# Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!

# November

# Transformation of relationships

**Monday**: **Transformation of relationships**

Each of you should look not only to your own interests

but also to the interests of the others.

In your relationships with one another,

have the same mindset as Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 2:4-5*

**Almighty God of all creation,  
we join our voices to praise you today,  
singing of your wonders,  
giving thanks for your grace and care.**

We celebrate the joys of life you have blessed us with:  
family and friends;  
new relationships and deeper relationships;  
new life and transformed lives;  
reconciliation and restoration.

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As we share our lives together

help us reflect the perfect relationship

between Father, Son and Spirit;

perfectly loving, perfectly equal,

united in total harmony.

**For then we will see true transformation**

**as we value each other above ourselves.**

**Amen**

**Tuesday: Gender justice**

God created both male and female and blessed them,

the whole human race.

*Genesis 5:2 (The Message)*

Lord,

we pray for transformation of our societies

which often find it easier

to judge the victims of violence

than to solve the problems of injustice.

**We pray for a transformation in the violent way**

**many men act towards and think about women.**

We pray for right and just relations between women and men

that together we may transform and overcome violence in all its forms

and learn to celebrate our diversity and interdependence.

**We look forward to the age of peace, when violence is banished,**

**both women and men are able to love and to be loved,**

**and the work and wealth of our world is justly shared.**

**Amen**

*From* [*www.gfsworld.org*](http://www.gfsworld.org)

**Wednesday: Love your neighbour**

Encourage one another and build each other up,

just as in fact you are doing.

*1 Thessalonians 5:11*

**God of transformation**

**who has created us in your image,**

**show us how to value the people**

**who are part of our lives.**

Help us to appreciate

each other’s unique qualities.

Help us to treasure

each other’s special gifts.

May we be slow to judge

and quick to forgive;

ready to treat others

as we wish for ourselves.

May relationships be transformed

as we seek each other’s good

by encouragement and support;

sharing together the love of Christ.

**God of transformation,**

**who has created us in your image,**

**help us to accept each other**

**unconditionally,**

**as we live out your call**

**to love our neighbour**

**as ourselves.**

**Amen**

**Thursday: Fractured relationships**

Always be humble and gentle.

Be patient with each other,

making allowance for each other’s faults

because of your love.

*Ephesians 4:2 (NLT)*

**God of transformation,**

**we pray for those whose**

**relationships are fractured;**

**where hurt has overcome love**

**and hope for the future is scarce.**

Healing God bring your wholeness  
into relationships that are hurting.  
Not a dressing that will peel away  
or a restoration of what once was,  
but a process of transformation  
where over time wounds can heal,  
pain decrease, and lives once more  
embrace within your love and grace.

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**God of transformation,**

**who heals the broken hearted**

**and binds up their wounds,**

**bring your wholeness to**

**fractured relationships**

**and restore love and hope,**

**we pray.**

**Amen**

**Friday: Abusive relationships**

My people will live in peaceful places   
and in safe homes   
and in calm places of rest.

*Isaiah 32:18 (NCV)*

**Loving Lord,**

**your care and love are ever present in our lives.**

**We pray for our brothers and sisters**

**throughout the world**

**who live in situations of abuse and violence.**

Give them hope in their hopelessness;

help them find strength in their weakness;

grant them freedom from their oppression;

transform their brokenness into wholeness;

and heal their wounds, visible and invisible.

Grant us all the courage and wisdom, grace and humility,

to act at all times with compassion and care.

And grant all who are harmed by abuse or coercion,

peace through justice.

**This we ask in Jesus name.**

**Amen**

*Lesley Bayley, Mothers’ Union, All Ireland*

**Saturday: Family relationships**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation,

by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding,

will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 4:6-7*

**We pray for healing and peace  
for the stresses and strains  
within family relationships.**

For couples who have lost  
the love that they once had,  
and their lives are drifting apart.  
For parents who no longer  
can control their children,  
and are beginning to despair.

For families who struggle  
to live within their means  
and not slip deeper into debt.  
For children who walk into  
a more uncertain future  
with difficult choices to make.

**For the stresses and strains  
within family relationships  
we pray for healing and peace.**

**Amen**

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# Wave of Prayer for Mothers’ Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers’ Union worldwide.

**1 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**2 – 4**  Lebombo in Mozambique; Makueni in Kenya; Newala in Tanzania; Niger-

Delta North in Nigeria; Riverina in Australia and North East India in India

**5 – 7** Antananarivo in Madagascar; Taita Taveta in Kenya; Ikara & Ife in Nigeria

and Argyll & The Isles in Scotland

**8 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**9 – 11** Kadugli & Nuba Mountains in Sudan; Kinkiizi in Uganda;

Amichi & Igbomina West in Nigeria and Ottawa in Canada

**12 – 14** Ukhahlamba in South Africa; Maseno West in Kenya; Oji River in Nigeria;

Dunkwa-on-Offin in Ghana; Guildford in England and Coimbatore in India

**15 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**16– 18** Iraq; Katakwa in Kenya; Kafanchan & Asaba in Nigeria;

Lincoln in England and Trinidad & Tobago

**19 – 21** Muyinga in Burundi; Lake Rukwa in Tanzania; Okrika in Nigeria;

St Asaph in Wales; Bendigo in Australia and Gujarat in India

**Cross references:**

**22 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**23 – 25**  Southern Malawi in Malawi; Northern Uganda in Uganda;

Lafia & Ilaje in Nigeria and Thoothukudi-Nazareth in India

**26 – 28** Zululand in South Africa; Lodwar in Kenya; Isiala Ngwa South in Nigeria;

Accra in Ghana; Bangor in Wales and Colombo in Sri Lanka

**29 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**30** Mpumalanga in South Africa; Central Buganda in Uganda;

Zonkwa in Nigeria; Bo in Sierra Leone; Newcastle in England and

Barrackpore in India

## Final Blessing

**May all our relationships**

**with family, friends, community**

**and with our Lord,**

**be transformed through the love of Christ.**

**Amen**