



summer of hope Prayers 2023

Lord, help us to love our neighbours
that this may be a summer of hope
for those struggling with life's
demands:

To help create change for good,
Lord, prompt us to pray.

Where resources are lacking,
Lord, move us to generosity.

Lead us to take the steps we need
to enable hope to grow into reality.
Amen



Dear Lord,

We come before you today with hopeful hearts, filled with a desire to make a positive impact on the world around us. As members of Mothers' Union, we have committed ourselves to helping those in need, and we know that with your guidance, we can turn that hope into action.

We pray for your blessing on our Summer of Hope campaign, that it may be successful in raising the funds necessary to make a real difference in the lives of those who are suffering. Help us to be bold and courageous in our efforts, and to always remember that it is through your grace that we are able to accomplish anything.

Give us the strength and determination to persevere, even when the path ahead seems difficult. Help us to remember that we are not alone in this endeavour, and that you are with us every step of the way.

Guide us as we work to turn our hope into action, and give us the wisdom to know how best to use the resources we have been given. May our efforts be a true reflection of your love and mercy, and may they bring hope and healing to all those in need.

We ask all of this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Amen



Creative Prayer

Use the prayer(s) in Branch or Group meetings; ask to lead intercessions at your church and include it / them in your prayers.

Pause after every stanza and either have silent prayer or add specific prayers for your local area's needs.

Go for a prayer walk around your community and pause to pray the prayer, or parts of the prayer, wherever you feel is appropriate.

Cut out footprint outlines and write on them the various actions and prayers needed to move hope to action. Display the steps as if on a path. You could include empty steps which can be filled in as the Summer of Hope campaign continues.

Use the prayers at the beginning of any fundraising or other Summer of Hope activities.

