# Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!

# September

# Fruit of transformation

**Monday**: **Fruit of transformation**

Live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way:

bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,

being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might.

*Colossians 1:10-11*

**Lord, we would grow with you**New shoots reaching out
hands stretched upward
like leaves newly formed
soaking up your light and warmth
**Lord, we would grow with you**

**Lord, we would grow with you**In sunshine and rain
in darkness and light
in cold days and summer days
from Springtime to Winter
**Lord, we would grow with you**

**Lord, we would grow with you**And bring forth fruit
that is pleasing to you
fed by your living water
giving sustenance to others
**Lord, we would grow with you.**

**Amen**

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**Tuesday: Sowing and reaping**

Those who sow with tears
will reap with songs of joy.
*Psalm 126:5*

**Lord of fruitful transformation**

**we celebrate your goodness**

**with songs of joy.**

Lord, fill us with the compassion of Christ,

who wept over the plight of Jerusalem:

Transform our tears of concern into action

that will enable communities to thrive.

Transform our tears of concern into prayer

that our action may be Spirit-led.

We pray for a harvest of joy

over families who are living well.

We pray for a harvest of joy

over lives which are being made whole.

We pray for a harvest of joy

over hearts who respond to God’s love.

**Lord of fruitful transformation**

**we celebrate your goodness**

**with songs of joy.**

**Amen**

**Wednesday: God’s plans for fruitfulness**

The desert and the parched land will be glad;
the wilderness will rejoice and blossom.

They will see the glory of the Lord,
the splendour of our God.

*Isaiah 35:1, 2*

**God of rebuilt people and rebuilt places
you have plans for deserts and wilderness:**

“Water will gush forth in the wilderness

and streams in the desert.
The burning sand will become a pool,
The thirsty ground bubbling springs.
In the haunts where jackals once lay,
Grass and reeds and papyrus will grow.

And a highway will be there;

it will be called the Way of Holiness.”

**God of transformation**

**we look forward to what you will do
with our lives and with grace**

**on the journey of faith.
Far we have come, far we must go.**

**Amen**

*From the Grace website archive*

**Thursday: Transformation of creation**

Then the One sitting on the throne said,

“See! I am making all things new.

Write, for these words are true and faithful.”

*Revelation 21:5 (NLV)*

**We pray for our beloved planet,**

**scarred by conflict and natural disaster:**

**bring healing to its lands and cleansing to its waters;**

**bring justice to its peoples and peace to its nations;**

**bring life for today and hope for the future.**

God of all eternity, ignite in us, your people,

the faith to believe that you will

one day heal our broken world,

and grow in us the perseverance

to keep praying and working

towards that day when your creation

will once again be whole and free.

**We ask all these things in the name**

**of your matchless Son, Jesus Christ.**

**Amen**

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**Friday: Harvest of transformation**

May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.

God, our God, blesses us.

*Psalm 67:5, 6*

**Lord of the harvest**

**we celebrate your goodness**

**with shouts of praise.**

All praise to the Lord of the harvest.

To the one who gives seeds of transformation

to sow throughout the world;

who nurtures growth with his bountiful love

and the living water of the Spirit.

**May our praises fill the earth**

**as we unite together**

**to reap an eternal harvest.**

All praise to the Lord of the harvest.

To the one who sends us out

to sow the seeds of transformation;

for vision to grow into reality

and Kingdom values thrive.

**Lord of the harvest**

**we celebrate your goodness**

**with shouts of praise.**

**Amen**

**Saturday: Fruit of transformation**

Let us not get tired of doing what is right,

for after a while we will reap a harvest of blessing

if we don’t get discouraged and give up.

*Galatians 6:9*

**Loving Lord,**

**nurture us with your goodness**

**and fill us with joy**

**that our lives may produce**

**the fruit of transformation.**

What a privilege to serve,
to share your love
through word and action.
What a joy to know
that what we say
can bring change in others.
What a blessing to see,
hearts touched
by the riches of your grace.
What a harvest to be,
when seeds we sow
produce fruitfulness.
*John Birch*

**Loving Lord,**

**transform us by your Spirit**

**that our lives may yield**

**a fruitful harvest of blessing.**

**Amen**

# Wave of Prayer for Mothers’ Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers’ Union worldwide.

 **1-2** Harare in Zimbabwe; Machakos in Kenya; Ogori-Magongo & Ekiti in

 Nigeria; Southwark in England and Phulbani in India

 **3 – 5**  Khartoum in Sudan; Dar es Salaam in Tanzania; Bari & Ilesa in Nigeria;

 Gloucester in England and Dugapur in India

 **6 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

 **7 – 9** Pacong in South Sudan; Southern Nyanza in Kenya; Kutigi & Ijesha North

 in Nigeria; Bristol in England and Karnataka Central in India

**10 – 12** Pretoria in South Africa; North Mbale in Uganda; Oke-Osun in Nigeria;

 Exeter in England and Barbados

 **13 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**14 – 16** Mthatha in South Africa; Namirembe in Uganda; Pankshin & Sabongidda-

 Ora in Nigeria; Dublin & Glendalough in All Ireland and Central Solomons

 in Solomon Islands

**17– 19** Buye in Burundi; Sebei in Uganda; Abakaliki & Ekiti-Oke in Nigeria;

 Southwell & Nottingham in England and Belize

 **20 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**21 – 23** Rumbek in South Sudan; Soroti in Uganda; Aba Ngwa North & Oyo in

 Nigeria; Peterborough in England and North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba

**Cross references:**

**24 – 26** Makamba in Burundi; North Karamoja in Uganda; Lokoja & Sapele in

 Nigeria; Truro in England and Tirunelveli in India

 **27 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**28 – 30** Katanga in DR Congo; Rwenzori in Uganda; Mbaise & Egba in Nigeria;

 Meath & Kildare in All Ireland and Tiruchirappalli Thanjavur in India

## Final Blessing

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**May the fruit of transformation be seen in our lives**

**as we go in faith to serve the world.**

**Amen**