

"I am with you always"

(Matthew 28:20)

Supporting You During Your Stay in Hospital

Southern Trust Chaplaincy

Morning Prayer

God our Father, you have brought me safely through the night. I thank you for your watchful care. Help me during this day to remember you as my Creator, to love you as my Father, to feel you near me as my Friend. Touch my eyes that I may see you. Open my ears that I may hear your voice. Enter my heart that I may know your love. Enfold my whole being with your presence, that I may partake of your grace, strength and peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Lord, thank you for this day and for the love of all who cared for me or came to visit me. Give strength to the nurses who will be busy tonight. Calm those patients who will be restless and for whom the night will be long. Give comfort to those who feel lonely. Amen.

Night Prayer

Lord, I am alone now. My visitors have come and gone. The corridors are growing empty and quiet. The lights are dimmed and the ward is darkened. The night hours lie before me Lord. I now commit myself once more to your safe keeping. Calm my fears, ease my pain. Help me to know that you are here with me and will watch over me through the night. Amen.

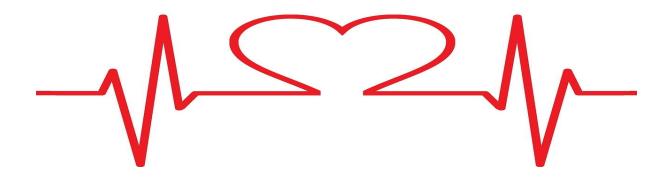


For the First Day in Hospital

Lord, thank You for the precious gift of life. I am feeling rather fragile, slightly unsure, and am vulnerable at the moment. I may not understand your will at this time but help me to trust You and to know that You are near and that You will never forsake me. I pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Those Around Me

Lord, I am not the only one who is ill at this time and, as I need your help, grant it also to all the patients in this hospital. I don't know all their names nor why they are in hospital, but Lord, you know them. Please touch them in their particular need, and help them at this difficult time. Give to the doctors, nurses, surgeons and all members of staff your gifts of sympathy and patience, wisdom and understanding, skill and determination. Bless all those who work to relieve suffering. They are signs of your goodness and blessing on me. Amen.



Before an Operation, Procedure or Test

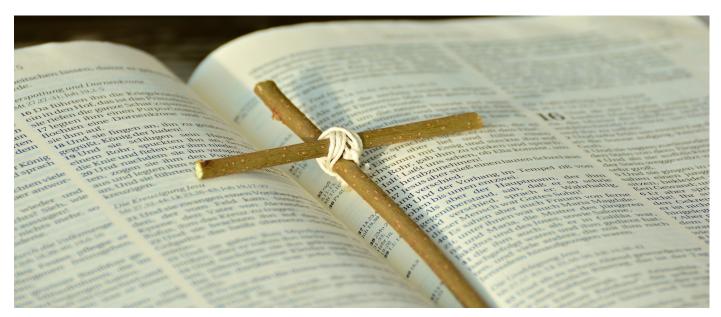
Lord Jesus, healer of body and soul, protect me from any fear or anxiety. Guide the hands of the medical team and all who help towards my recovery. If I become unaware of earthly things, grant that my spirit may be tuned to You. I pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

After an Operation, Procedure or Test

Lord Jesus, thank you for all those who care for me and who have helped me. I know that your hands guided them in the ministry of healing. Help me now to see your loving plan unfold before me and grant that, with each passing day, I may surrender all to you more and more. Amen.

Going Home

Thank you Lord for seeing me through my stay – for giving me the courage when I needed it, for the continuing gift of life, for the assurance of your presence with me. I want to thank you for the care I received in the hospital from doctors, nurses, surgeons and all the team here. Thank you also, Lord, for the family and friends who helped, who visited and who prayed. I'm going home now Lord – please go with me. Amen.



Coming into hospital can be a very stressful and distressing time & we offer you these Scripture passages to comfort you.

<u>Psalm 23:</u> The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

<u>Psalm 121:</u> I lift up my eyes to the hills-- where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip-- he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD watches over you-- the LORD is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all harm-- he will watch over your life; the LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

Other Verses:

Psalm 46; Psalm 139; Prov. 3:5-6; Romans 8:31-39; Matthew 11:28-30; John 14:27; Numbers 6:24-26; Hebrews 13:5-6; James 5:14-16.

Copies of Gideon's New Testament & Psalms are available upon request.



Chaplaincy Phone Support

For Patients, Families & Staff

10am—12 noon Every Day 028-38334444

2pm—4pm Every Day 028-30835000

Listening, Comforting, Praying





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