

# LIFEWORDS

## Lifewords Prayer, April 2024

*Never stop praying.*

**1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NLT)**

Prayer is vital to everything we do. We want to follow Jesus' example and connect with God; to ask for peace, transformation, salvation; and to pray for the impact of Lifewords work around the world. Please join us as we pray this month.

### **31 March – 6 April**

#### **Believe the Women**

Happy Easter! As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and reflect on the events of Easter week, we are reminded of the moment when the women discovered that the tomb was empty and that Jesus was alive.

Our resource, *Day Three: Believe the Women* helps us think about the Easter story through the experiences of the women who were there. "They ... tell us something important about the story on which the whole hope of the Bible narrative hangs: the resurrection," says Danielle Welch, writing on the Lifewords blog. "With courage [the women] stay at the cross when everyone else flees. Risking their own safety they follow Jesus' body to burial. And at the break of dawn, they become the first witnesses to the extraordinary truth that Jesus has risen from the dead. They are terrified, confused and not believed. The single most important moment in human history is announced by women whose culture could not hear them. We are reminded that the Kingdom of God is radically good news, subverting our idea of who and what matters."

#### **Pray with us**

Give thanks for the power of the Cross and the hope we have because of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Pray for Christians around the world as they celebrate Easter. Pray that we would be reminded and excited by the radical good news of Jesus, and be inspired to see our friends, families, communities, and wider world transformed by it.

>> Visit [www.lifewords.global/blog/why-aren't-we-listening](http://www.lifewords.global/blog/why-aren't-we-listening) to read the full blog post.

### **7–13 April**

#### **Life Changing Words**

"I start the day by reading the Word and extend it throughout the day. It is my direction, light, and inspiration for every day. Thank you!" Life Changing Words subscriber

"Every day I get a new Word that I try to meditate on and remember. It helps me to be a Christian." Life Changing Words subscriber

“It is a constant, consistent daily reminder of God’s love and God’s Word.” Life Changing Words subscriber

Life Changing Words (LCW) invites us to make room for a verse from the Bible every day, and to put the words we read into practice. Users sign-up to receive a verse a day to their email inbox or mobile device. They can read, respond, and share the verses that they read, and join the rest of the LCW community as it engages with the Bible.

Last year, LCW released a new version of the app and since then has seen more and more people using it. “In February of this year, we recorded over 9,000 new installations of the app,” says Jarek Jankowski, Global Bible Resources Director. “Last year, after the launch of the new app, the average monthly number of installations jumped from 1,300 to 6,000, which was a phenomenal result. The first two months of 2024 have been even better! We hope the trend will continue.”

#### **Pray with us**

Give thanks for the new LCW app, and for how more and more people are using it to read the Bible every day.

Pray for those who are engaging with the Bible, that God’s compassion, justice, and love would inform their thoughts and actions.

>> Search “LCWords” on your device’s app store to download Life Changing Words.

#### **14–20 April**

##### **Choose Life**

After being used successfully in Brazil, “Elige la Vida” (Choose Life) has been launched for 71 partners in the 13 Spanish-speaking countries where Pavement Project operates. Choose Life is a curriculum for young people aged 9 to 14, with interactive lessons that teach about choices and consequences. The programme helps them make their own decisions based on biblical values of love, peace, justice, freedom, and consideration for others.

“After eight months of planning, translation, review, web configurations, and recording of an instructional video, Choose Life has reached the partners and will soon reach the children,” says Cleisse Andrade from Lifewords in Latin America. “We are excited about the potential of Choose Life to change lives.”

#### **Pray with us**

Give thanks for Choose Life and for the way in which it helps young people look to the Bible for guidance. Praise God for how Choose Life is reaching more and more people; give thanks for the work that has been done to make this happen.

Pray for each young person as they consider their value in the eyes of God, and their place in the world. Pray that they would be inspired and changed as they engage with the Bible.

>> Visit [www.lifewords.global/projects/choose-life](http://www.lifewords.global/projects/choose-life) to find out more about Choose Life.

#### **21–27 April**

##### **GIFT A BRICK**

Little Brick of Little Books is a brand-new tool for ministries that need quality, Bible-centred resources that people will read, re-read, and keep. It's a boxed collection of the entire Little Books range that comes pre-packed with 48 Little Books – 8 of each title – and can be continually restocked, optimising the content for each specific group, chaplaincy, or church.

We're asking our supporters to GIFT A BRICK to a ministry, church, or worker, enabling them to share Scripture in schools, hospitals, prisons, youth centres, churches, workplaces – anywhere people gather and the story can be shared.

"I'm really looking forward to using the Little Brick of Little Books in the church and across the community. These resources enable and equip people to share the vital message of the Bible in today's world." Revd Canon Giles Goddard, Vicar, St John's Waterloo

Visit [www.lifewords.global/littlebrick](http://www.lifewords.global/littlebrick) to find out more about the Little Brick of Little Books.

**Pray with us**

Give thanks for the Little Brick of Little Books. Pray that it would be a powerful tool to engage people with the Bible.

Pray that people would catch the vision of the Little Brick and be excited to donate or receive a Little Brick.

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Thank you for praying with us! Your partnership in prayer is vital to all that we do as we share the Bible's life words around the world. You can make a donation to our work online at [www.lifewords.global/donate](http://www.lifewords.global/donate), by post, or by calling 020 7730 2155.