

A prayer for the nation -Ps 33:12 "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

At the end of each prayer I shall say

'Lord in your mercy' and the response will be 'hear our prayer'

God of hope, in these times of change and uncertainty, unite our nation and guide our leaders with your wisdom

Lord in your mercy.....hear our prayer

Give us courage to overcome our fears, and help us to build a future in which all may prosper and share

Lord in your mercy.....hear our prayer

We ask that you would appoint strong, faithful men and women to serve this nation and our people. We also pray for all those in authority, that you would give them your wisdom and discernment.

Lord in your mercy.....hear our prayer

Lord, we pray for all who work closely with the Land, especially the Farmers and Growers of this Nation, bless them and guide their stewardship of the land and animals they care for

Lord in your mercy.....hear our prayer

We pray Lord that you pour out your love and healing upon this land today

Lord in your mercy.....hear our prayer

Prayer by David Walker, Bishop of Manchester, World Environment Day, June 2019

Lord, you have taught us, through your servant St Francis, that all creation is your handiwork. Grant us your grace that we may exercise wise stewardship of this land; tread lightly upon it; and cherish its resources; that our children may enjoy its riches throughout all generations and your name be glorified through all that you have made. **Amen**