

Making disciples

Thank You for the testimony we each have of your saving and keeping grace. Help us tell it at every opportunity and not lose heart if we don't see You doing what we thought You would do. John 15 v 27 and 2 Corinthians 4 v 16

Your command is that we go and make disciples.
Matthew 28 v 19

Forgive us that so often we have failed to do so.

Oh, give us a growing burden for those who are living and dying without You and an increasing sense of urgency for their salvation.

Envision us, equip us, empower us to make You known in this neighbourhood.

Fill us with compassion for the people, harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. We ask, Lord of the harvest, that You send out workers into your harvest field.
Matthew 9 v 36-38

Father, You are the Potter, we are the clay. Re-shape us to be filled with your Spirit and used for your glory.

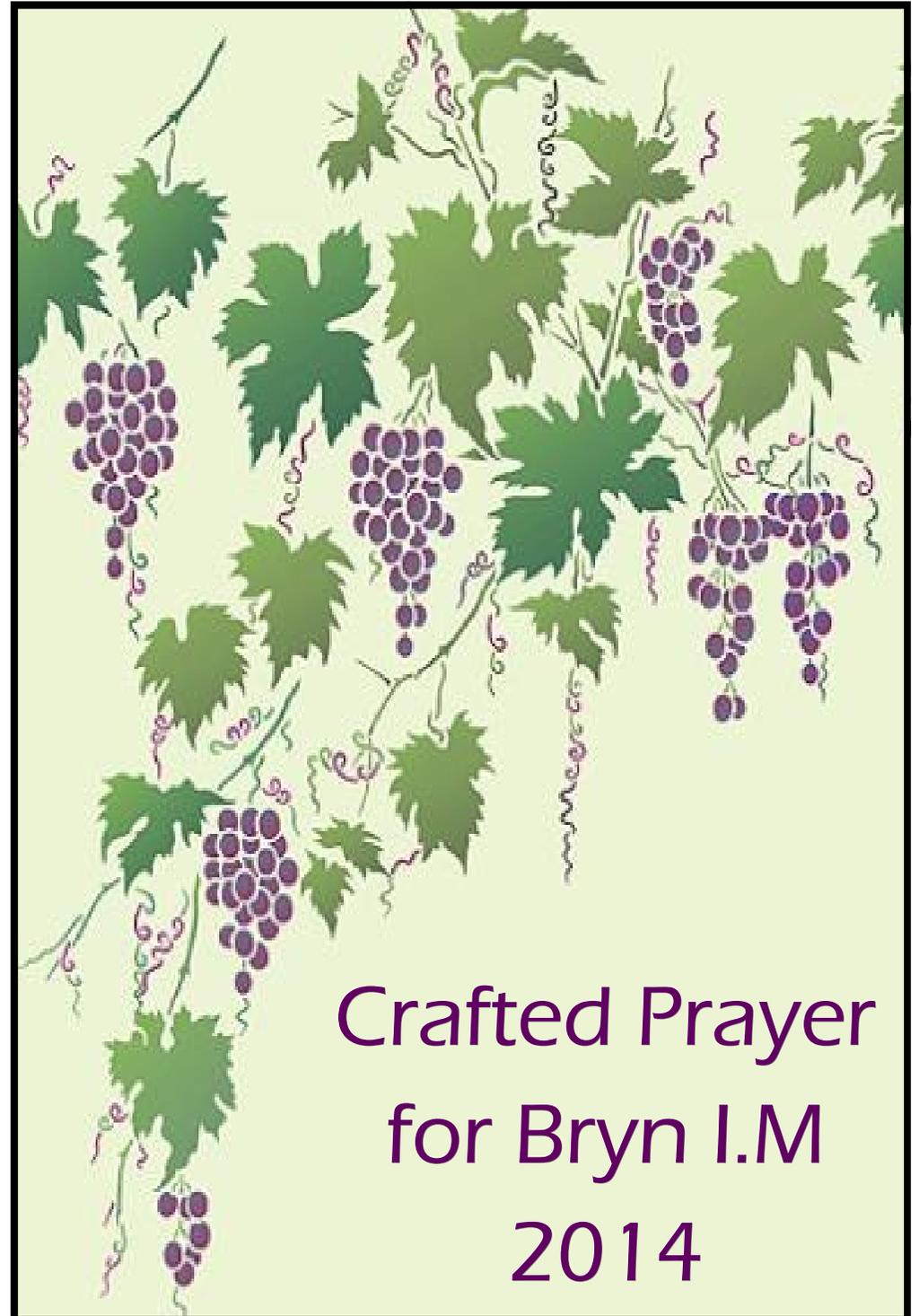
Now to Him who, by his mighty power working in us,
is able to do far beyond anything we can ask or imagine,

to Him be glory in His church here at Bryn

and in the Messiah Jesus,

from generation to generation forever.

Amen.



Crafted Prayer
for Bryn I.M
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PRAISE

Almighty and holy God, we praise You for your limitless power and sovereignty and for your perfect love and goodness.

We praise You for the gift of Your Son who is the Messiah, our Saviour, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. We declare that his Name is exalted above all other names and that He reigns over all.

We rejoice in your gift of the Holy Spirit under whose influence and power we can daily live, even as Jesus did here on earth as the Servant King.

CONFESSION

Lord God, we confess that although we profess faith in You and regularly attend Sunday worship, yet we have often, in different ways, strayed from the paths of righteousness. Our lives have displeased You and we have distanced ourselves from You. We seek your forgiveness and we long for a closer walk with You. Place within us a strong desire to be obedient to your Word so that we can show our love for You and bring honour to your holy Name. Isaiah 1 v 10-20 and Psalm 40 v 6-8

THANKSGIVING

Thank You, Lord, for the cross where Jesus paid the price for our sin so that we can know You and follow You and make You known.

Thank You for your forgiveness and cleansing and for your love in which we can live, like branches in the Vine. John 15 v 1-17

Thank You for your Spirit living within us – the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead and seated Him at the Father's right hand in the heavenly realms. Romans 8 v 11 and Ephesians 1 v 19-20

Thank You for your Word, more precious than much fine gold, revealing yourself and your ways to us. Thank You for your faithfulness to us over many years, for your patience with us and for the good plans You have for us.

REQUESTS

For fruitfulness

Father we ask for much fruit to grow in each of us from the seed of your Word sown each week. We claim your promise that it will not return to You empty but will accomplish that for which You send it. Isaiah 55 v 9-11

Father, we're asking for a fresh outpouring of your Spirit upon us, like water in the desert and streams in the wasteland that bring refreshing and new life.

Thank You that You have chosen us and formed us for yourself to proclaim your praise. O Father, drinking of, yet thirsty for your Spirit let us proclaim your praise. Isaiah 43 v 20b-21

For disciples

Being disciples

Father, thank You for each disciple in this community of your people. Thank You for the growth we see in those around us.

We ask for increasing growth in all of us so that we actively follow in the path where Jesus walked and draw on His strength – obeying His teaching and following his example for all to see.