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Evangelical Church

Personal Prayer Diary

'Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.'
Colossians 4:2

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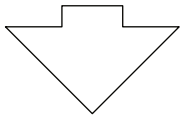
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Isaac Watts on Prayer

The hymnwriter, Isaac Watts teaches us that a rich prayer life will often follow a distinctive pattern.

We begin with **invocation**, the calling upon God to hear us. **Adoration** is next where we delight in our glorious God. **Confession of sin** will then lead into prayers of **petition**. Our petitions may then take on a **pleading** tone, as we ask for what we most urgently need from him!



Prayers of **profession** remind us we are God's children. Followed by **thanksgiving** to God for who is, what he is like, and what he has done for us. We then offer **blessing** to God, a special form of praising him. Concluding with a hearty **Amen** as we entrust ourselves and our prayers to God's hands!

Watts sumarises his pattern for prayer with a little rhyme:

Call upon God, adore, confess,
Petition, plead, and then declare,
You are the Lord's, give thanks and bless,
And let the Amen confirm the prayer.

People and personal concerns to pray for

Churches and organisations to pray for