

# Get Involved: Pray

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## EMBRACE Prayer Group Summer 2017

In my work and life of late, I have been reminded of the Quaker view that, in our practical endeavours and spiritual journeys, *ways will open and ways too will close*. This does not mean that we merely sit and wait to 'see what happens', far from it. It requires us to be intentionally mindful of the direction we receive, to put aside the human frailties of fear, ego and recognition, to listen eagerly to that still, small voice and finally to discern the way set out for each of us to best serve those around us. Often, my mind is drawn to a well-known quote by Stephen Grellet:

"I expect to pass through this world but once; any good thing therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now; let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again".

The picture of suffering and need in our world appears to become yet more overwhelming and unity between our leaders more elusive. Each of us must listen to the prompting of the Holy Spirit to discern our path and in faith, without delay or neglect, act on each opportunity whilst it is open to us.

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### Let us pray that

- We seek and find the path set out for each of us to serve and, with humility, that we fully use those gifts and opportunities given to us to help those in need.
- We are given the divine strength we need to be brave and bold in our love, care and protection of others.
- That we are given the courage to speak truth to power if given the opportunity to do so.

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