

Praying for our

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Pray for:

- **Resources** to be sufficient and wisely directed by national Government and management structures.
- **Energy**, strength and protection for all those working in these services, so that they can do their jobs safely and sustainably.
- **Support** for emergency service workers from friends, families and church members.
- **Compassion** to characterise the actions and heart motives of our police, paramedics and fire service.
- **Understanding** of what is needed in complex situations and with difficult people.
- **Emergency situations today** to be handled effectively and successfully.
- **Rehabilitation** for all who have been rescued and helped, and for any traumatised service workers.
- **Services to be appreciated** by the UK public, and thanks to be spoken and demonstrated by us all.



‘He will rescue them from oppression and violence, for precious is their blood in his sight.’

Psalm 72:14



Prayer of blessing for our emergency services

Rescuing God, you left the safety and beauty of heaven to come and save us. You gave your very life to deliver us from death forever, and to bring us into fullness of life.

We thank you for all who take risks and make sacrifices for others in their daily work, and especially for the men and women who work in our emergency services.

Help us to honour and appreciate our police, fire-service and paramedics and to bless them through our interactions with them, our support of those known to us personally, and our prayers for them.

Be with them all today, enabling them to rescue all they seek to help.

Restore a culture of respect and appreciation in our nation, and inspire those who work in our emergency services to excel and care in equal measure. May we be quick to thank and slow to criticise those who risk so much for our safety.

Safeguard and release resources to all areas of our emergency services and lead all those involved in reform – whether in Government or service management – in wisdom, humility and creativity.

We bless our police service to have insight, compassion and breakthrough in resolving crime so that our streets become safe, our young people are empowered and our communities become stronger.

We bless our fire service to experience your protection and to be filled with courage. We bless their equipment to function well and their expertise to combine with your favour, so that fires are brought under control quicker and more effectively than ever.

And we bless our paramedics with clear minds to make quick, accurate decisions, so that through their skills and gentle care, they may bring your healing and comfort to all.
Amen.