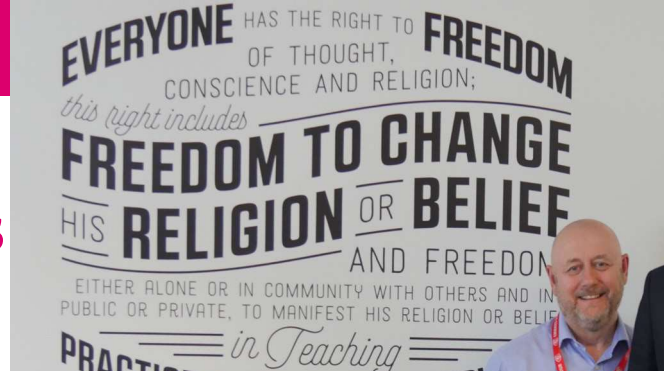


Prayer Diary: Human Rights Defenders

8-14 December 2024



This week we are celebrating our universal human rights and those who tirelessly defend them – often at great personal risk.

The right to freedom of religion or belief is encapsulated by Article 18. It is proudly displayed on the wall of the CSW office – a reminder of the first freedom God gave to humanity, which he calls us to protect, defend and restore. And if this right is being violated, it is more than likely that other human rights are also under threat.

We will not stay silent, and we know you won't either. Thank you for playing your part!

Please pray:

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the highly gifted, highly determined people who stand up for freedom of religion or belief for all.

You see the sacrifices they've made and the dangers they face; threats, imprisonment, harassment, enforced disappearance and other tactics intended to silence them.

Bless, encourage and protect them as they go about their work this week.

Help us to follow their example and take every opportunity to defend the rights of others.

Amen.

Key Dates:

9 December:

Human Rights Defenders Day

10 December:

International Human Rights Day