



**Lord of all hopefulness,
We thank you for this week and all the promise it brings;
Thank you for your guidance in our faith-life,
Thank you for the opportunities you've set before us this week;
May we be held by your steady hand and never stray from your path.**

**As you watch over us Lord,
Help us to care for those suffering with mental health,
Aid our own self-awareness so that we stand in the gap for them.
Help us to think for and provide for those who're suddenly unemployed,
Equip us Lord to share what we're blessed with and encourage them in their plight.
Help us Lord to listen carefully to those who're battered and abused,
As we communicate via unfamiliar media platforms.**

**Give us Lord the ears to hear the unsaid and the eyes to visualize with empathy;
So that be it mental health struggles, unemployment or domestic abuse,
We're tuned to speak truth to power,
Hope to the suffering and neglected
And offer a safe-haven to the destitute;
By the courage you have given us in the Risen Christ,
— Amen.**

- Revd Dr Jongi Zihle (London District Chair)