

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW CONNEXIONAL YEAR

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Heavenly Father, Weaver of life and cementer of relationships,
as we begin our journey through the start of this Connexional year,
give us grace to follow closely in the way of your Son Jesus Christ,
that we may grow in faith,
be strengthened in hope
and put our trust in your loving purposes;

May your love surround us Lord,
Sustain us by your mercy,
Inspiring us to see your goodness
And give us faith that can move mountains.

Keep us focussed Lord;
On your ever-present grace
With your loving arms wrapped around us
Together with all who need your care and compassion
Throughout these ever-changing times.
Grant O Lord that we may serve you unstintingly
As we vigorously propagate for your mission
Through the District Commissions,
Circuit mission projects
Whitechapel Mission
West London Mission Social Welfare,
And the provision of one stop shops, foodbanks
And peace gardens and prayer gardens.

Embrace Lord, all who offer themselves freely without counting the cost,
Sustain the weary Lord, who may have felt unappreciated and
Breathe on us breath of God as you fill us with life anew
So that we continue to do what you call us be and fulfil
The building of your Kingdom,
For a lost world,
for us,
and for all your children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

