

Prayer Update 996

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God's Word for this week ... (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a *quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty*. This is *right and acceptable* in the sight of God our Saviour, *Who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth*.

WHAT COMES NEXT?

The LORD is King! He rules and reigns, as He always has and always will. So let us, and the earth, rejoice and give Him the glory. The whole world is in His hands and under His Sovereign control. And He is watching over us.

For those Christians who might be a little disappointed at the election results because the Party or Electorate candidate they voted for didn't get in – don't worry! Many thousands of Christians were praying for the elections – some took part in a 40-day call to pray for the election, which was extended by a further 28 days due to the delayed election date.

No worry! God heard our prayers, and He has and will continue to do so. We may not understand why He does, or allows, some things to be done but we walk by faith, not by sight! The same applies to whatever the Referendum results are.

We are called to follow the Lord, let our lights shine in a dark world, be salt sprinkled on a tasteless world, and demonstrate the life Jesus lived on earth. And to share the faith we have in Jesus because there is no other name in Heaven or on earth by which people **MUST** be, or can be saved, other than the name of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. No other person has ever been sinless. No other person could ever die for our sins. He is the perfect sacrifice for sin and the perfect Saviour for all who believe in, and follow Him and His ways. Jesus alone is the Way, the Truth, and the Life – eternal life in all its fullness. Hallelujah! Praise and give glory to the Lord God Almighty, our Creator, Saviour and King!

What happens next with the *proposed Cannabis Bill* and the **Euthanasia Act**?

CANNABIS: The Referendum is **not** binding on Parliament, so whatever the result, it is most likely to be debated and amended, but still may or may not be passed.

EUTHANASIA: This Act has already been passed by Parliament and the Referendum result **will** be binding on Parliament. The Act will not come into force *unless* over 50% vote in favour, and if so, it will come into force from November *next* year.

Prayer Suggestions

- The final results of the Election.
- Any coalition that may be formed, and if so, by which Parties.
- The choice of List MPs by each Party.
- The incoming Government – all MPs including new MPs and Christian MPs.
- The results of the Referendums.
- Prime Minister and Deputy PM, Speaker of the House, Cabinet Ministers – especially Ministers of Finance, Health, Education, Social Development.
- Wise, good, and right decisions will be made.
- Planned Bills, and new Bills, e.g., Hate Speech.