Lord Mayor's Prayer for the City and Region 2012

Father, together we acknowledge you here with us, and I give you thanks for those gathered today. Here this morning is a representation of our city, our region and our people, what a blessing it is to call this home.

We come together to pray to you as God our creator and acknowledge all things are in your hands. We give thanks, honour and praise to your Name and acknowledge your Lordship over us here in this region.

Whilst there are many that work tirelessly in this region we continue to ask for your help and intervention.

We pray for you to visit this region and to bring hope to those in circumstances where there is no hope

We pray that you would become father to the fatherless

We pray that you would bring comfort to those who are alone and isolated.

We pray you would bring health and healing to the sick

We pray for all the families in our region that you would bring blessing and life. For every man, woman and child that Your presence would touch their lives bringing hope.

We pray for those being educated in our region that they would excel in their training and aspire to great things.

We pray for those in places of authority that you would give us grace to lead, that we have wisdom, clarity and boldness for our future.

We pray for men and women of great integrity to rise up.

We give thanks for the many churches throughout the region

We pray for every church leader that you would guide and lead them by your Holy Spirit. That your presence would fill every person in every meeting bring life to our city.

Thankyou for the charities and volunteers across our region and we pray you would bless their efforts in every way.

Forgive us of our sins against you and one another. We choose to forgive those that have done us wrong. We ask for your Holy Spirit to bring healing, unity and life to our city and region today.

We believe that you are able to do all we ask or imagine according to your word. Release dreams and visions over the people of this region.

Be exalted over our region we pray and together we ask in Jesus name.

Amen