



A Rocha UK Prayer diary
July – September 2026

July

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WEEK 1 – FOXEARTH MEADOWS NATURE RESERVE (6 JULY)

Teenagers will get close to nature during work experience at Foxearth Meadows this summer. Pray that they will be refreshed, encouraged and surprised as they spend time with Christians who are passionate about wildlife. Pray also for Nathan, an ordinand on placement at Foxearth Meadows, that he will be inspired by his time there.

WEEK 2 – BUTTERFLIES (13 JULY)

The Big Butterfly Count, a nationwide citizen science survey, begins this week. Butterflies are vital pollinators and important indicators of environmental health because they respond quickly to change. Monitoring their numbers helps scientists understand the effects of habitat loss and climate change. Pray that many people will take part and that the data gathered will strengthen conservation efforts. Give thanks for these beautiful pollinators and pray for effective action to protect them.

WEEK 3 – DRAGONFLIES AT FOXEARTH MEADOWS (20 JULY)

Foxearth Meadows Nature Reserve is a regionally important dragonfly site, with at least 18 breeding species. Pray that new visitors will be inspired by the dragonfly identification walks on 25 July and motivated to create ponds at home where possible. Give thanks for ten years of dragonfly data collected by the reserve's dedicated volunteers.

WEEK 4 – INSECTS (27 JULY)

During National Moth Week, give thanks for the abundance of insect life: there are more than 2,500 moth species in the UK alone. Scripture encourages people to consider the ways of the ant and grow in wisdom (Proverbs 6:6). Pray that Christians across the country will notice the beauty of insects, appreciate their essential roles within ecosystems and be inspired to protect them.



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WEEK 1 – MARINE CONSERVATION (3 AUGUST)

Pray for the health of the world's seas and oceans. Microplastics have been found in every marine habitat studied by scientists, and around 1,300 marine species have been found to ingest plastics. Pray for long-term solutions to microplastic pollution and regulations that help restore fish stocks around the UK coast. Pray also for A Rocha's international marine conservation programme as it works to protect and restore marine habitats.

WEEK 2 – CLIMATE RESILIENCE (10 AUGUST)

As the climate changes and extreme weather becomes more common, churches can play a pivotal role in helping communities prepare for its effects. The ability of communities and nature to withstand and recover from these impacts is known as climate resilience. Pray that churches will take practical action, support their neighbours and help local communities and ecosystems become more resilient.

WEEK 3 – SUMMER HOLIDAYS (17 AUGUST)

As children and teenagers across the country enjoy the summer holidays, pray that their eyes will be opened to the wonders of creation: 'The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands' (Psalm 19:1).

WEEK 4 – A ROCHA UK SUPPORTERS (24 AUGUST)

Give thanks for A Rocha UK's wonderful supporters, whose generous and sacrificial giving, alongside faithful prayer, powers its work. Their loyalty enables Christians across the UK to take action and speak more loudly about biodiversity loss. Pray that current grant applications will be successful and that more funders will help this vital work to grow and continue.

WEEK 5 – FOXEARTH MEADOWS NATURE RESERVE (31 AUGUST)

Pray for the team at Foxearth Meadows Nature Reserve as autumn work begins. Pray that insect and plant life will flourish in this special place, managed particularly for dragonflies and damselflies but also home to otters, kingfishers and many other species. Pray too for good weather for September's Open Air Service and for a joyful celebration together in God's creation.



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WEEK 1 – SEASON OF CREATION (7 SEPTEMBER)

The Season of Creation, also known as Creationtide, is an annual ecumenical celebration of prayer and action for creation, observed by Christians across six continents. This year's theme is Living Water, rooted in Ezekiel 47:9 and 12. Pray for A Rocha UK's volunteer speakers visiting churches between 1 September and 4 October, that they will inspire and equip people to take practical action and speak up for creation.

WEEK 2 – HARVEST AND LAND MANAGEMENT (14 SEPTEMBER)

As churches celebrate harvest and thank God for the provision of food, pray for greater awareness of food inequality in the UK and worldwide, and of the effects some farming practices have on wildlife. Give thanks for farmers, including many A Rocha UK Partners in Action, who use or are adopting sustainable methods. Pray that their farms will flourish and that policy changes will support nature-friendly farming.

WEEK 3 – RIVERS AND WASTE (21 SEPTEMBER)

As World Rivers Day and Recycle Week are marked, pray for the health of rivers and waterways, for those working to protect them, and for lost wildlife to return and flourish. Give thanks for those who recycle waste and develop more sustainable packaging alternatives. Pray that these innovations will be widely adopted, and for wisdom and perseverance for everyone working to protect the environment.

WEEK 4 – CELEBRATING TEN YEARS OF ECO CHURCH! (28 SEPTEMBER)

Give thanks for the commitment of thousands of Eco Churches over the past decade and the difference they are making by caring for God's creation. Pray for joyful celebration services in Chelmsford and Liverpool this week, and that everyone who gathers will be encouraged as they give thanks for God's faithfulness and look ahead with hope.