**PRAYER REFELCTIONS**

**Major Emma Knights and Cadets of the Messengers of Grace and Messengers of Reconciliation**

**OPENING PRAYER (CADET MATTHEW STONE):**

Father God,

Thank you for this new day. A day for us all to be still and to listen to your voice. Help us to hear your voice in the midst of all that surrounds us and give us the courage to obey your call. You have a role for each one of us; help us to listen to you to discern what you are calling us each to do, and help us to be willing to respond to you. As we spend some moments in prayer today, may we each hear your voice and feel your love for us.

Amen

In the stillness we pray:

* Thank you, Lord, that you still call people to follow you.
* Pray for those whom God has called and for those who are discerning that call for themselves. For cadets, for those who have offered for officership, for territorial envoys, for those called to serve God where they are and in the places they find themselves.
* Pray that people may pay attention to what God is calling them to do and to be, for ears to listen and hearts willing to say yes.
* Pray for yourself and the part you play in the building of the Kingdom of God, whatever age you are.
* Pray that we will each be willing to be used by God for his glory.

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**LISTEN TO SOME MUSIC WHILE YOU NAME AND PRAY FOR THE CADETS CURRENTLY AT WILLIAM BOOTH COLLEGE.**

**MESSENGERS OF GRACE**

Martin Bellshaw

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Emily Hague

Lesley Holland

Chelsea Huddlestone

Diane Johnson

Jackie Littlewood

Joanna and Thomas Morgan

Miriam Smith

Matthew Stone

Wendy Verheij

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**SONG**

‘I will offer up my life’ (*SASB* 371)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kQkzHwz2eLE>

Read these words or watch and listen to this song. Sing along if you would like to.

Make this your prayer to God today:

I will offer up my life in spirit and truth,

Pouring out the oil of love as my worship to you.

In surrender I must give my every part;

Lord, receive this sacrifice of a broken heart.

*Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring*

*To so faithful a friend, to so loving a King?*

*Saviour, what can be said, what can be sung*

*As a praise of your name for the things you have done?*

*Oh, my words could not tell, not even in part,*

*Of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful heart.*

You deserve my every breath for you’ve paid the great cost;

Giving up your life to death, even death on the cross.

You took all my shame away, there defeated my sin,

Open up the gates of Heaven and have beckoned me in.

*Matt Redman*

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**LET US PAUSE AND PRAY (CADET CHELSEA HUDDLESTONE):**

***Oh, my words could not tell, not even in part,***

***Of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful heart.***

Loving God, we bring to you all that we are.

Take our hands; may we each be willing to use them to help others.

Take our feet and help us to walk in your ways.

Take our lips, and may the words that we speak and think be honouring to you.

Take our ears; may we always be willing to listen to you.

Take our minds; may we use them to honour you.

Take our hearts, and may they be yours completely.

Take ourselves; may we be willing to obey you.

Amen.

**PRAYER TO CONCLUDE (CADET WENDY VERHEIJ):**

Creator God,

As we pause and pray today, may we be reminded that we are part of your family. It can be so easy to think that we have nothing we can offer you, nothing we can bring. But you gently remind us that we each have a purpose and that you can use us for your glory. Help us to offer up our lives. Help us to hear your voice and be willing to respond to whatever it is you are calling us to do or to be. Help us to bring all that we are to you, to be used for your glory.

Amen.