



White Ribbons™ for Road Safety 2013

Prayer and Blessing

Prayer

Father, we pray for safety on our roads, for those who design and build our highways and streets, and for all traffic-control systems. We pray for faithful design and maintenance so that all road-users may travel with confidence.

Lord hear us. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

We pray for all who make and administer our traffic laws, so that the highest of standards are set and maintained, ensuring safety for all drivers who travel the network of our road system.

Lord hear us. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER**

We pray for all those who use our roads for work or for leisure, in all forms of road transport, and for all pedestrians who traverse our carriage ways, so that all of us may be alert to our responsibilities one to another.

Lord hear us. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER**

We pray for all who exercise responsibly in traffic-control, and in particular, our Police Officers, that they may at all times carry out their required duties with care and consideration; with compassion and due regard for the welfare of all road-users, and that they in turn receive courteous cooperation from members of the public.

Lord hear us. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER**

We pray for those who suffer the traumas of roads crashes, for the maimed, and injured in body or in mind, and we also pray for the families and loved ones who suffer distress as a result of injury.

Lord hear us. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER**

Blessing

O Lord our God; we know that all people are precious in your sight, and that you would not want any of your dear ones to be hurt in any way. And so we seek your blessing upon our roads this Christmas, asking for your protection and your guidance as many of our citizens and their families make their journey afar to enjoy this holiday period.

Instill in us all Father, the virtue of patience, understanding and common sense, praying that we may all drive with due care and regard for our fellow-road-users, and we ask you to bring us all home again in your peace without death, injury or trauma.

We dedicate our Police men and women who will be seeking to ensure a death-free Christmas period, travel with them and keep them ever vigilant and alert in their care of us all, that they may provide safety and security for all who travel at this time.

Keep us always mindful of our sense of responsibility and fair play for others who care to share the roads of this state, particularly on country roads, and unfamiliar road surfaces.

Accept this, our dedication and our strong determination to make this Christmas period death-free for all West Australians and those who may visit our state at this time.

And so Father, we bless these roads, and all the roads of our state in the name of the Father and of the son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN**