

Our Heavenly Father

We thank you for who you are, and give you adoration and praise. Thank you for your infinite mercy and grace through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus our Saviour; and for the Holy Spirit who guides us in your ways and your Word.

Thank you for creating us for relationship with you, and that you breathed that same life-giving creativity into us, to bring you honour and glory.

We thank you for the means to share our hope in you, and for the institutions of media and the arts – for their ability to impact lives, society and culture.

We acknowledge our complete dependence on you, and ask that you continue to open doors of opportunity across Sydney – to declare your name through media and the arts.

Lord, so often these industries have grieved your heart. We have turned what should portray your character and beauty, into ugliness and evil. Today we ask your forgiveness. Pour out your mercy and grace, and restore beauty and decency to the arts, media and entertainment industries in this city and our nation.

Please change the culture of the industry so your values are openly promoted to draw people to you.

We pray for those who serve you in media. Please strengthen them, and give them wisdom and boldness to stand for you. May their speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, always able to provide an answer that honours Jesus.

For those called to reflect your glory through the arts, we ask that your creative power will be displayed for all to see.

Please call more people to produce excellent media that reflects and portrays you, brings glory to your name, and permeates our society so that our city can be your light to the nations.

May we walk in the power of your Holy Spirit with integrity, humility, faithfulness and righteousness – filled with your knowledge, wisdom and understanding.

We long to see your Kingdom come in the hearts of people.

We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.