

MASONIC PRAYER for use in time of War.

O Everlasting God, Architect and Ruler of the Universe, Who guidest the destinies of Nations, and at Whose Sovereign Will earth's empires hold their sway, look down in mercy upon this Realm of England in her hour of trial.

We confess that, in the past, we have greatly abused Thy long-suffering goodness, but Thou hast promised forgiveness to all who humbly seek it.

Thou, Who hast ever been our Refuge and Strength, we fly to Thee for succour, in the dangers which threaten our land.

Stretch forth, we pray Thee, Thine Almighty Arm, and give us victory over our enemies. Judge thou our cause, and deliver us not into the hand of the oppressor. Be present with our Brethren who, on land and sea, are fighting for freedom and for justice, especially our brothers

William Henry Gerard Herbert Dent.

Frank Gordon Challis

Alfred Butterworth Cleworth.

Frederick Richard Davey.

Frederick Charles Morgan.

William Henry Ride,

and all others who are near and dear to the Members of this Lodge.

Give them wisdom in counsel, endurance in danger, and courage in action.

Succour the wounded, heal the sick, have pity upon all prisoners and captives, comfort the dying, and grant consolation to all who are anxious or bereaved.

And, finally, we pray Thee to spread abroad among the nations that spirit of fraternal love on which rests the foundations of our Ancient Order.

So shalt Thou speed the coming of that Great Day, when wars shall cease, and Peace shall reign for ever and ever over a world united in the brotherhood of mankind, animated by one hope, and inspired by one aim - to promote universal happiness - and to do all to the Honour and Glory of Thy Most Holy Name.

So mote it be.