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WEEK 1 – BATS (5 OCTOBER)

Give thanks to God for the variety of bats we have in the UK, including those at A Rocha UK's rural nature reserve, Foxearth Meadows. Pray that people would be motivated to care for bats and other wildlife in their green spaces by gardening in a way that attracts insects. Thank God for the volunteer experts in bat groups who monitor and study these extraordinary creatures.

WEEK 2 – ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS (12 OCTOBER)

As our series of regional events, marking ten years of Eco Church and twenty-five years of A Rocha UK, comes to an end, give thanks to God for everyone who has been involved in these celebrations. Pray for all those who have attended, that they will be encouraged to keep going on their journeys of caring for God's creation and inspiring others to do likewise.
'The earth is the Lord's and everything in it…'
(Psalm 24.1)

WEEK 3 – SPEAKER PROGRAMME (19 OCTOBER)

Give thanks to God for our team of speakers who travel the country visiting churches and encouraging them to play their part in caring for creation. In September and October alone, our speakers will have attended over 40 speaking engagements, sharing the vision of A Rocha UK and helping congregations on their Eco Church journeys.

WEEK 4 – CHANGING SEASONS (26 OCTOBER)

Give thanks to God for the seasons we enjoy here in the UK. As the heat and drought that many of us experienced this summer gives way to the cool and wet of autumn and winter, pray for wisdom for farmers and those who manage land for nature. Pray that they will tend their land in ways that enable habitats and ecosystems to be rejuvenated and restored and grow in resilience for the coming years.

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WEEK 1 – WEATHER AND CLIMATE (2 NOVEMBER)

As climate scientists warn us of the strength of this year's El Niño weather phenomenon, pray for those around the world who are particularly at risk, including those living in areas prone to flooding or areas susceptible to wildfires or storms. Take encouragement from the disciples who, on seeing Jesus calm a storm, exclaimed, 'Even the winds and the waves obey him!' (Matthew 8:27)

WEEK 2 – COP 31 CONFERENCE (9 NOVEMBER)

The 31st Conference of the Parties (COP) begins this week in Türkiye, bringing together heads of state, ministers, scientists, business leaders and civil society representatives from around the world, for the annual global climate summit. Pray that attendees of COP31 will be brave and ambitious and seek to effectively tackle the global challenge of climate change. Pray that leaders will have meaningful conversations and seek to drive forward a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions for the sake of all creation.

WEEK 3 – PARTNERS IN ACTION ANNUAL RETREAT (16 NOVEMBER)

This week, many of our Partners in Action from around the UK will be gathering in Derbyshire for their annual retreat. 2026 has not been an easy year for conservation and many of our Partners have struggled with droughts, wildfires, blue tongue disease and financial burdens. Pray that as they gather, they would experience the Lord's refreshing presence. Pray for new friendships to be forged, existing relationships to be strengthened and that the gathering would be an encouragement to all.

WEEK 4 – CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENTAL MOBILISERS COURSE (23 NOVEMBER)

A Rocha UK launched its brand new Christian Environmental Mobilisers online course this autumn. It has been designed for anyone who wants to inspire others to care for God's creation. Give thanks for the 200 students who have joined the first cohort! Pray for discernment for the students as they set their learning objectives; for the development of supportive and long-lasting friendships between the participants; and for wisdom and stamina for those who are teaching and administering the course.

WEEK 5 – SOILS (30 NOVEMBER)

Praise God for soil beneath our feet! According to the UN, soil is home to nearly 59% of Earth's species: it is full of microscopic organisms. It produces antibiotic compounds which are useful blueprints for medicines and acts as a carbon sink, storing more carbon than the atmosphere and biomass combined. Give thanks for the ways soil sustains life. Pray that soils will be preserved for the benefit of all and protected from erosion, contamination and other forms of degradation.

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WEEK 1 – BIG GIVE CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE (7 DECEMBER)

As the Big Give Christmas Challenge draws to a close this week, give thanks to God for all who have supported A Rocha UK this year, through their prayers, financial giving and volunteering. This campaign focuses on children and young people. Pray for God's blessing on work being done with children and young people on our nature reserves, in Eco Churches and with our Partners in Action and ask for God's guidance as we seek to inspire the next generation.

WEEK 2 – ECO CHURCH IN WALES (14 DECEMBER)

Pray for the continued work and witness of churches all across Wales as they care for creation with increasing intentionality. Give thanks for the churches that have begun their journey and registered with Eco Church during 2026, that they will be encouraged to deepen their commitment in the months and years ahead. Pray for church leaders and members of eco groups that God will continue to renew them with hope, energy and wisdom as they seek to inspire their congregations.

WEEK 3 – CHRISTMAS (21 DECEMBER)

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the one through whom 'all things were made' and the one without whom 'nothing was made that has been made' (John 1:3), let us praise him for the goodness of his creation and thank him for his gift of salvation. Happy Christmas!

WEEK 4 – THANKFULNESS (28 DECEMBER)

Give thanks to God for all the blessings we have seen and experienced this year and for his continued faithfulness to us as an organisation. Pray for everyone involved in the work of A Rocha UK up and down the country, that we would all know a sense of God's peace, presence and wisdom during 2027 and that he would help us to play our part in protecting and appreciating his beautiful creation in the year ahead.

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