

Homa's Hope for Iran's Future



Representative image

Homa* is a young Iranian woman whose life was transformed when God met her in a moment of deep fear. Having lived through unrest, danger and personal loss, she now speaks of Jesus as the unshaking foundation of her hope for Iran's future.

Homa grew up believing God existed, but He felt distant. That changed when her mother collapsed suddenly and was rushed to hospital in critical condition. Alone at home the night before surgery, Homa prayed honestly for the first time in years: *"If You are really there, bring her back to me."*

That night she dreamt of Jesus reassuring her, *"Don't worry. Your mother will return."* The next morning she learned the operation had succeeded—something doctors later described as a miracle. This experience opened Homa's heart to Christ, and soon afterwards she chose to follow Him.

As protests spread across Iran, Homa found herself caught in the turmoil. She witnessed violence, fled from danger, and was struck by a plastic bullet. One of her friends was killed. The fear and grief became overwhelming, and her family encouraged her to leave Iran temporarily to recover.

Even in safety, she struggled with guilt: *"Why did I survive?"*

While abroad, Homa attended a Christian conference run by an Open Doors local partner. Surrounded by worship and prayer, she experienced peace for the first time in months. A speaker shared a picture of her sitting by a river, drinking the "water of life" and offering it to others. The words lifted her guilt and helped her see that God had preserved her life for a purpose.

Soon afterwards, she was baptised.

Many young Iranians dream of leaving the country. Homa understands why. She has seen fear and loss up close. Yet she believes God is calling her not to escape, but to return—with faith, hope and a desire to serve.

For her, Jesus is not only the one who saved her mother's life. He is the solid foundation on which she longs to see Iran rebuilt.

Please Pray

- For Homa to receive God's guidance and wisdom as she seeks to serve Him
- That young Iranians would encounter Christ and hold onto His love in uncertain times
- For peace, justice and protection for all people in Iran

**Names changed for security reasons.*

For more information go to <https://www.opendoorsk.org>

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Psalm 116.1,10-17: Thanksgiving for Recovery from Illness

I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.
I kept my faith, even when I said, 'I am greatly afflicted';
I said in my consternation, 'Everyone is a liar.'

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,
I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.
Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.

O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.

You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and for evermore, Amen



Readings for this Sunday

Genesis 18.1-15

Romans 5.1-8

Matthew 9.35-10.8



Collect for this Sunday

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Please pray for...

Brian Osborne, Jane Nichols, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Marie Rose Cubacub, Christine Evans, Sue Grainge, Annie Hall, Clive Hall, Robert Hitchens, Jane Knight, Imogen Matthews, Pat Reid, John Rowntree, Maggie Sharman, Amanda Thomson, Clive Walker, Judy Watson, Kevin Whitfield, King Charles III, and for any others whom we name in the silence of our hearts.

We give thanks for those on the road to recovery.

We remember Clifford Hitchens, and the souls of all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace and rise in glory; and we pray for those who mourn their loss.

Anniversaries

Weddings: Emma and Paul Taylor (2 years)

Baptisms: Grayson Hilton, Wilbur Guest (2 years)

Funerals: Peter Johnson, Dennis Wells (1 year); Walter Baxtor (2 years)

Post Communion Prayer for this Sunday

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Did you know?.....

If you find it difficult (or forget) to bring things to leave in the drop off bin at the back of Morton church, you can go to the Foodbank website, and purchase items which will then be available in the foodbank.



Go to <https://bournefoodbank.org.uk/how-to-help>

Urgently needed items – can you help?

Pasta Sauce UHT Milk Washing Powder

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Services for the next week in the Ringstone and Corby Glen combined Groups

Sunday 14th June	9.00am 11.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion Holy Communion Evening Prayer	Haconby Irnham Corby Glen Morton
Wednesday 17th June	10.00am 10.00am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Morton Corby Glen
Thursday 18th June	11am	Funeral of John Hibbins	Rippingale
Sunday 21st June	9.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning Worship Hymns & Prayers Holy Communion	*Burton w Bassingthorpe Morton Corby Glen Irnham Swayfield
Wednesday 24th June	10.00am 10.00am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Corby Glen Morton
Sunday 28th June	9.00am 10.15am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm 6.00pm	Holy Communion Café Church Holy Communion Hymns & Prayers Evening Prayer Holy Communion	Corby Glen Swayfield Village Hall Kirkby Underwood Irnham Morton Bitchfield

Morton Village Fete – Saturday 4th July, 10am–4pm

Morton Church is looking forward to welcoming visitors with art displays, teas and coffees.

Can you help?

We’d love support with cakes or scones, setting up on Thursday, serving refreshments for an hour, or helping tidy up afterwards.

Every little helps and will make the day extra special for the whole village.

Please speak to Dianne, Sue, Colin or Tim if you can lend a hand.