



# Prayer Wall Plugin

## Installation

1. Upload the provided **dunham-prayer-wall.zip** via **Plugins** → **Add New**. Alternately extract the zip file and upload the **dunham-prayer-wall** folder to the **/wp-content/plugins/** directory via FTP.
2. Activate the plugin through the **Plugins** menu in WordPress.

## Updates

Updates are installed via the regular WordPress update processes. If you would prefer to install updates manually (e.g. via FTP), please contact Dunham for the latest plugin version.

## Overview

Once activated, the Prayer Wall will be available at `<domain>/prayer/` (though this can be changed - see *Configuration* below). As prayer requests are added they will all display on this page. Requests are sorted by the number of times they have been prayed for in ascending order - i.e. those with the least prayers will be listed first in order to maximise their exposure.

Clicking on an individual request or the comment icon will take you to a page which shows the full details of that request, including any comments that have been previously added.

Submitted requests can be managed via the WordPress admin dashboard by going to Prayer Requests -> All Prayer Requests.

## Comments

The Prayer Wall is integrated with the native WordPress comment system and associated configuration (Settings -> Discussion).

## Contact Export

The plugin includes the option to export contact details for anyone who has commented on a prayer request. You can do this by going to Prayer Requests -> Export Contacts and selecting the desired date range. This will generate a CSV file containing names and email addresses which you can then import into your CRM or mailing list.

## Configuration

Plugin settings can be found under Settings -> Prayer Wall. The options on this page are divided into 3 sections:

### General Settings

- **Prayer Request Approval Method** determines whether prayer requests are automatically published as soon as they are submitted, or if they need to be manually published by an authorised user. We strongly recommend requiring manual review as automatically publishing content from unauthenticated users carries significant risk of spam or security breaches.
- **Comment Note** is an optional line of text which is displayed above the comment form on individual prayer requests. You can use this for any purpose that meets your needs, such as reassuring users regarding their privacy.

### Display Settings

- **Prayer Wall Location** controls how you access the wall when viewing the site. By default the wall will be available via the automatic WordPress archive (`<domain>/prayer/`), however if you prefer you can insert the shortcode `[dunham_prayer_wall]` into any page on your site and select that instead. Note that the page must already contain the shortcode and be published to be available to choose here.
- **Colour 1/2/3** allows you to select which colours will be used as the background for the prayer request tiles on the main page. When the page loads each item will be randomly assigned one of these 3 colours.

### Email Settings

- **Request Approved Email Subject/Content** controls the email that is sent to notify a user when their prayer request has been manually approved.
- **Prayer Received Email Subject/Content** controls the email that is sent to notify a user when someone who has admin rights to the site prays for them

## Customisation

If you want to create your own templates to override the default display of the Prayer Wall, your developer can do so by creating one or more of the the following files in the root directory of your theme:

- Main Prayer Wall: **dunham-prayer-wall.php**
- Prayer Request Archive: **archive-prayerrequest.php**
- Single Request: **single-prayerrequest.php**



We recommend they start with a copy of the relevant files from the plugin and modify them as needed. The above files can all be found in **dunham-prayer-wall/public/templates/**. Note that these templates may be updated in the plugin from time to time. You should check after each update to see whether your modified versions need updating.