

Monday

St Petersburg Christian University, Russia

The new semester is in full swing after the break for the Russian New Year and Christmas.

- *Pray for spiritual protection for the university as it seeks to serve the churches in Russia with Bible-based academic training.*
- *Pray that the university will continue to be a strong witness in St Petersburg and, through their satellite campuses, in the rest of Russia.*
- *Pray that students will be eager to grow both academically and spiritually.*

Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP) – Synod of Zambia

- *Pray for CCAP Synod of Zambia to fulfil its vision – “To be evangelical, hospitable, strong and self-sustained, united in Christ as one family of the triune God within and beyond the borders of our lands”.*
- *Pray for God’s wisdom and guidance for Rev Sevatt Kabaghe (General Secretary).*
- *Following two years of poor rainfall and failed harvests, around 2.3 million people in Zambia are relying on food aid. Pray for all those affected and all seeking to assist them both with short-term aid and longer term projects.*

Tuesday

Andrea McNair – community outreach worker in Christ Church United Presbyterian and Methodist Church, Limerick

- *Tuesday Lunchtime Quiet Reflection - Give thanks for those who come to read and reflect and who share companionably and prayerfully with each other. Pray that this ministry will continue to grow and bear much fruit.*
- *Messy Church - Give thanks for the children who enjoy being creative with Bible stories at the back of the church during sermon time. Pray for a Sunday school to take place again and for adult leaders to emerge for this from the congregation.*
- *Alpha course - Give thanks for the opportunities provided by running faith and Bible courses. Pray for the next Alpha starting from the end of February on Thursday evenings and for the special Saturday sessions on the Holy Spirit on 25 April.*

Alt Presbyterian Church – Rev Colin McKibbin

- *Pray for the starting of a Youth Fellowship, hopefully in March. This will be run by Exodus. Pray for the Exodus Team - Andy Lamberton and Clodagh Dickson.*
- *Pray for the new communicants from Alt as they undertake a 12-week course. Pray that the Holy Spirit will work in the lives of these young people.*

Wednesday

Peter and Valerie Lockwood – global mission workers in Nepal

Every five years the United Mission to Nepal (UMN) must re-negotiate its agreements with the government in Nepal. There are six separate agreements to be renewed during 2020, and this places great responsibility and stress on UMN’s liaison team.

- *Give thanks for the temporary extension to the Hospital Agreement and that all the medical visas have been successfully processed. The extension to the Cluster-based Agreement is in its final preparation and should be submitted in early February, and hopefully, this will allow UMN to continue working up to 2022.*
- *Pray that the extension to the current Cluster-based Agreement is accepted and that the remaining visas may be processed quickly.*

Faculté Jean Calvin (FJC)

The FJC in Aix-en-Provence trains men and women for ministry in various Reformed or Evangelical denominations in France, Belgium, Switzerland or French-speaking Africa.

- *Pray for the staff at the college, that they will teach with clarity and passion.*
- *Pray for students at the college, that they will grow deeper in their faith and knowledge of the Scriptures and be envisioned as they prepare for future ministry.*

Thursday

Rev Keith Hibbert, Rev Lindsay Blair and Rev Paul Linkens – chaplains in Altnagelvin Hospital

- *Give thanks for the opportunities to minister in the hospital. Pray for the chaplains as they draw alongside patients and staff.*
- *Pray that visits by the chaplains will be encouraging to patients and their families, and help them to trust in the Lord in all circumstances.*
- *Give thanks for the good relations between the chaplaincy team and hospital staff.*
- *Pray for the hospital staff who are constantly under pressure.*
- *Pray that the chaplains would know God's guidance and strength.*

Arklow Presbyterian Church – Rev Michael Anderson

- *Pray for Michael Anderson who was installed in Arklow congregation on 11 January. Remember him as he settles into his new role and gets to know the members of the congregation and the local community.*
- *Pray for the congregation of Arklow as they worship together and seek opportunities to share the gospel with others in their community.*

Friday

Inspirations – PW produces an annual resource to provide groups and congregations with content for their gatherings. This year's theme is Side by Side. *Pray for PW groups and other women's ministry leaders as they think about programmes. Ask that this resource would provide imaginative ways of developing this area of church life.*

A prayer from Mae Irvine, Acting Manager, Corkey House – *Lord, we ask you to give strength and wisdom to our staff and to guide their hands with love, so that they may care for our residents with dignity and respect. Bless all who are in our care. Help us to show kindness and encouragement to those who need it, and to lead by example.*

The Council for Training in Ministry meets today to receive a report from the Finance & Staffing Commission (set up by the Assembly to enable necessary decisions about the future of the College). *Give thanks for the work done to reach this point by the Management Committee and Faculty and pray for the outworking of the plans.*

The Nominations Committee coordinates the nomination process for all the General Assembly's councils and committees. It receives direct nominees from presbyteries as well as allocating other 'pool nominees' to the various groups. *Pray for the Committee and its convener, Dr Jonathan Curry, as they carry out this important task.*

Saturday

Volker and JinHyeog Glissmann – global mission workers in Malawi

- *Praise the Lord for the impact that Theological Education by Extension Malawi (TEEM) has across the country.*
- *Pray for all the students currently studying TEEM courses, as they balance their studies and ministry with their family lives.*
- *Pray for the leadership of the training.*
- *Pray too for Volker in his day to day work in TEEM, JinHyeog as she teaches and their three children who are at school in Blantyre. Pray for good health and safety for the family.*

Athy and Carlow Presbyterian Churches – Rev Stephen Rea

- *Pray for the congregations of Athy and Carlow. Pray that God will build his church.*
- *Pray that the Lord will provide more people who are willing to get involved in outreach ministry in Athy and Carlow.*
- *Pray for Stephen Rea as he ministers to the congregations.*
- *Pray too for William Workman, Irish mission worker in Athy and Carlow.*

Let's pray...

Moderator – Rt Rev Dr William Henry

On Thursday 13 February the Moderator will begin his first full week of a two week visit to Kenya that will see him visit each of the PCI global mission workers serving there: Naomi Leremore in Nairobi; Stephen and Angelina Cowan in Tuum; and Gary and Mary Reid in Olkinyiei, as well as meeting leaders of our partner church the Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA).

- *Pray for the Moderator and his wife and family as they visit Kenya over the next two weeks. Please pray for safe travels and good health while they are there.*
- *Give thanks for the opportunity to meet with our global mission workers serving in Kenya and pray that this will be a time of encouragement and blessing for all.*
- *Pray too that the visit will build on PCI's partnership with the PCEA.*

Sunday

Rev Graham Stockdale – chaplain in Maghaberry Prison

- *Pray for Graham in his role as lead chaplain in Maghaberry.*
- *Pray that in his daily work and conversations Graham will have many opportunities to speak to prisoners and staff about the gospel.*
- *Pray that many prisoners will be open to talk about spiritual matters and that they will find hope and new life in Christ.*

Aghada and Trinity Cork Presbyterian Churches – Rev Richie Cronin

The city of Cork has a population of over 200,000 people and County Cork – the largest county in Ireland, has only three Presbyterian congregations in total.

- *Pray that God would send his Spirit to convict the people of Cork of their need of a Saviour and the greatness of Jesus.*
- *Pray that Richie, the session and the congregations would turn from their sin to following God more and more.*
- *Pray that Richie, the session and congregations would learn more of all the great truths found in God's Word.*

Resources are available for use in Sunday services to accompany today's prayer. Visit: www.presbyterianireland.org/sundayprayer