

## Monday

### **Gary and Mary Reid – global mission workers serving in Kenya**

- Give thanks for the completion of levels 3 and 4 of worship leaders courses, and the corresponding exams. Marking is now underway. Pray for all who sat the exams that they will desire to go deeper in their relationship with our Lord.
- Give thanks for God's help and provision for the building and fitting-out of the Ewang'an Worship Centre in Olkinyei village.
- Pray for the seminars that are due to be held on 19 and 20 November, being led by Rev Jonathan ole Mapena, minister of Narok Parish, alongside others. Pray with us that God will be glorified and that his Holy Spirit will speak through those who will be teaching.

### **Presbyterian Church of South Sudan (PCOSS)**

- Pray for the peace deal to continue to hold and for good political progress.
- Pray for all facing food shortages and those displaced / living as refugees.
- Pray for the work and witness of the PCOSS, and their efforts to encourage peace and provide humanitarian relief to those in need, in particular those displaced.

## Tuesday

### **Rev Ken Doherty – chaplain in the Mater Hospital, Belfast**

Ken writes "Listening, caring, praying'. That is our motto as chaplains. We provide sensitive pastoral, religious and spiritual care. We are here for patients, staff and families. We work alongside the minister and the pastoral care team of the local congregation, and they with us. We are there for those patients and staff who have no church connection at all. We offer literature in different forms - prayer booklets, gospels and other relevant helps."

- Pray that they may be able to speak 'a word in season to those who are weary' (Isaiah 50:4). Pray that 'the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified' (2 Thess 3:1).
- Pray that 'our labour will not be in vain in the Lord' (1 Corinthians 15:58).

### **Craigavon Presbyterian Church – Rev Lachlan Webster**

- Thank God for the encouraging season the congregation's Friday Club is enjoying with over 60 children from the local community attending each week.
- Pray for God's blessings for the plans they have for the festive season, including distributing Christmas cards to homes in the local area.

## Wednesday

### **Peter and Valerie Lockwood – global mission workers serving in Nepal**

United Mission to Nepal has always operated its community development work and its two mission hospitals in Okhaldunga and Tansen by invitation from the government of Nepal through renewable five-year agreements. The current Hospital Agreement and Cluster Agreement cease in 2020 and their renegotiation is progressing very slowly. Of immediate concern is the Hospital Agreement which ceases on 15 January 2020 and is currently stalled.

- Pray that these negotiations would begin to progress and that an agreement can be promptly agreed and implemented.
- Give thanks for the appointment of the new Hospital Director at Okhaldunga Community Hospital, Yubraj Acharya. Pray for him as he settles into the role.

### **Church of North India**

The Church of North India (CNI) faces many challenges in being an effective witness in a predominantly Hindu culture.

- Pray that CNI will be courageous and faithful in its witness, service and preaching of the gospel; and particularly in speaking up for the marginalised and oppressed.

## Thursday

### **Eleanor Drysdale – deaconess in Wellington Presbyterian Church, Ballymena**

- Pray for wisdom and strength for each member of the Wellington staff team as they give pastoral care to the congregation. Recently there has been a rise in the number of people dealing with serious illness and so a wider circle of people are impacted. Help Eleanor and her colleagues to have the right words to bring comfort, encouragement and peace in each visit.
- Preparations are underway for the Christmas celebrations in Wellington. Pray for those who will be returning home and for those who will be going away over this period. Give thanks to God for opportunities to share with people of all ages, both those who are part of the Church family, and those who will visit with us.
- Pray for Eleanor that she will continue to grow in her love and walk with the Lord and that she will always have a teachable spirit.

### **Craigmore Mission Station – Rev Colin Millar**

- Pray for the outreach from Craigmore and its connection with Grange congregation in the Ballymena Presbytery.

## Friday

**Disciple Makers Network** – The network brings together groups of key leaders from congregations to think about how they can develop discipleship in their church. *Pray for open minds and imagination in helping members to follow and grow in Christ in today's increasingly secular world.*

**Carlisle House Residential Substance Misuse Treatment Centre** – *Pray for strength and wisdom for David Cuthbert, Director, and the staff team as they endeavour to cope with increasing workloads & an ever shrinking budget. Give thanks for all those residents who have been helped & have gained a new confidence to live everyday life.*

**Union Theological College Management Committee and the Accredited Preacher & Auxiliary Ministry Panel** meet on Monday 25 November. *Give thanks for the men and women who freely give of their time to serve on them. Pray for them and for conveners, Ivan Patterson and Ossie McAuley, that they will be open to God's leading.*

**The Linkage Commission** meets on 26 November. Delegations from congregations seeking leave to call include Kilfennan and Gilford & Tullylish. *Pray for wisdom and guidance that decisions that are right for the Kingdom of God will be made and for the two vacancy conveners, Graeme Orr and Andrew Conway, in their important roles.*

## Saturday

**Volker and JinHyeog Glissmann – global mission workers serving in Malawi**

Volker continues working for TEEM (Theological Education by Extension in Malawi).

- *Pray for the ongoing revision of TEEM's 'Knowing God' course, which they hope will be completed by the end of November.*
- *Pray too for the Glissmann family, for good health and safety, especially on the roads in Malawi.*

**Donabate Presbyterian Church – Rev Andy Carroll**

- *Pray for those who have come to faith in Jesus Christ over the past year to grow in their discipleship. Thank God for five midweek home groups that are giving opportunities for the church family to grow in faith and love.*
- *A monthly service has recently been started in the town of Balbriggan. Give thanks to God for those who have been involved so far. Pray for wisdom as connections are cultivated and as they seek to share the hope of Jesus.*
- *The congregation continues to pursue buying a site from the local County Council (Fingal) for a church building. Pray for God's provision in this complex process.*

# Let's pray...

**Moderator – Rt Rev Dr William Henry**

The Moderator will commence a tour of Tyrone Presbytery today, taking a Youth Service in First Magherafelt in the morning and then the evening service in Albany Presbyterian Church. During the week he will visit Moneymore Primary School, Cookstown High School, and take devotionals at Café Revive at First Magherafelt, amongst other visits.

- *Pray for the Moderator as he undertakes this tour of Tyrone Presbytery, that he will be encouraged by the Church's ministry throughout the presbytery.*
- *Pray for wisdom and guidance for Dr Henry as he continues his year in office, visiting congregations and ministries and representing the Church at various meetings.*

## Sunday

**Global Migrant Crisis**

70.8 million people worldwide have been forcibly displaced from their homes as a result of war or natural disasters, many more have left their homes looking for better opportunities. They arrive in countries where they know little of the language and culture, have no contacts, few resources and have to start from scratch.

PCI is launching a new Bible study resource on the Book of Ruth entitled 'home' – six studies which take you through Ruth's story, the story of a foreigner in a foreign land. It will introduce you to some of the people who have come to Ireland looking for a home and will help you to think about your response.

- *Pray for all those living as refugees or who are displaced. Pray for their safety and that those in need of humanitarian and / or medical assistance will receive it.*
- *Remember those who are unable to flee or who choose to remain in places of danger and / or severe economic difficulty. Pray that they too will be protected and for humanitarian and medical assistance to reach all those who need it.*
- *Pray for PCI's new resource called 'Home' to encourage members of our congregations to think about our response to migrants arriving here.*

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