## Presbyter)an

# Let's Pray

#### Sun 18 May - Sat 24 May 2025

### Sunday 18 May

- **Moderator** | Pray for the Moderator as he travels to Berlin to attend the European Congress as one of 1,000 delegates focusing on evangelism in Europe. This is a once every 25 years event and is run by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.
- Answering God's invitation to worship | 'Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost'. Isaiah 55:1. Ask God to help us freely find all we need in him as we worship today.

#### Monday 19 May

- Diane Cusick, global mission worker, Zambia | Please pray for Diane who has returned to Ireland on leave following a busy work schedule. Pray that she would know good health and enjoy quality rest and refreshment during this time.
- **Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA), Kenya |** *Please remember Rt Rev Patrick Thegu Mutahi, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of East Africa, whose wife, Winnie Wanjiru, passed away recently. Pray that God would comfort and sustain Rt Rev Mutahi, together with his family circle, and the wider PCEA family during this time of bereavement.*

#### **Tuesday 20 May**

- **Fermoy and Cahir, Rev William Montgomery** | *Pray for the Bible Club running from 7 to 11 July, an event which is usually well attended by children, teens and parents in the town. Pray for new connections to be made and relationships developed.*
- Heather McCracken, deaconess, healthcare chaplaincy | Pray for hospital staff at the bedside, in the wards, in the corridors, at the computer, that they would be given patience, skill and compassion. Pray also for hospital chaplains working in busy hospital wards, that they would be strengthened by God's love to bring blessing to those they encounter.

#### Wednesday 21 May

- Naomi Leremore, global mission worker, Kenya | Pray for the writing team currently completing the revision of the Child Rights and Advocacy book, one of eight in a series on the Holistic Nurturing of Children. Remember also the meeting of headteachers from PCEA schools that is scheduled to take place this month.
- **Middle East** | *Pray for the strength and resilience of church leaders in the region and for those congregations that are fearful they could become a target for attack, especially at times of Christian celebration.*

#### **Thursday 22 May**

- Fahan | Pray that the members of the congregation would remain focused on Jesus as they journey through a season of vacancy. Thank God for the partnership with Ballysally Presbyterian in the annual 'Connect Week' holiday Bible club and outreach commencing on 13 July.
- **CMI Mission Support Grants |** Pray for congregations who have received Mission Support Grants from the Council for Mission in Ireland (CMI) and are currently seeking to appoint outreach workers to help them in their local outreach. Pray particularly for the congregations of St Andrew's Bray, Fermoy and Cooke Centenary as they take next steps in this process.

#### Friday 23 May

- **Bereavement** | Pray for those known to us who are bereaved and coping with grief. Pray as they mourn a loved one, that God will hold them close to him and they will feel his loving arm around them. Remember those at various stages in life after suffering a loss shock, disbelief, confusion, depression, anger and acceptance. Give thanks for the support of loving friends and family, and the comfort of God's presence.
- **Special Educational Needs & Disabilities** | *Give thanks for opportunities for children and young people with additional needs to receive appropriate education provision. Pray for school leaders, teachers, assistants and support staff in these educational settings as they seek to provide opportunities for pupils to flourish and thrive.*

#### Saturday 24 May

- **General Council** | Pray for Rev Peter Gamble as he takes up the role of Deputy Clerk on Monday 19 May. Pray for him as makes his transition from The Mall, Armagh, to this new and very significant role in the life of the church.
- **Training in Ministry |** The annual conference for ministers who are five years' post-ordination took place last Tuesday–Thursday, in Assembly Buildings. Pray for the ministers who gathered for encouragement, fellowship, and for the equipping and enabling of God, that they would be ever-more effective in what the Lord has called them to do.