

# Let's Pray

Sun 27 October - Sat 2 November 2024

## Sunday 27 October

- **Moderator** | *High Street Antrim will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the new church building which commenced its ministry on the current site in October 1974, having been originally established in 1852. The church is organising celebrations over the course of the weekend with the Moderator leading the service on Sunday morning. Give thanks for the life of this congregation over many years and its ongoing outreach.*
- **Worship: Respond to God** | *'My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise.'* Psalm 51:17. Give thanks that God accepts us as we come humbly before him and ask that experiencing his presence in worship today might better shape our hearts to live for him.

## Monday 28 October

- **Gary and Mary Reid, global mission workers, Kenya** | *Give thanks to God for his church among the Maasai people. Pray for unity and wisdom for all those in positions of leadership in the church. Pray for Gary and Mary whose return to Kenya has been delayed for medical reasons.*
- **Indonesia** | *The Evangelical Christian Church in Timor (GMIT) is the 2nd largest Protestant denomination in Indonesia with over 1.5 million members. Pray for the Moderator, Rev Samuel Pandie, & all in church leadership as they participate in God's mission.*

## Tuesday 29 October

- **Irvinestown, Pettigo and Tempo** | *Pray that we will keep on making the most of Sunday worship and Sunday school, as a springboard for faith in Christ and growing in reading the Word with one or two others we trust. Pray that we will keep building the network of elders, families, and people still on the periphery, in which we can bring one another to Christ and encourage each other daily as the day of Christ approaches.*
- **Council for Mission in Ireland** | *Pray for the Council's office-bearers as they seek to serve the Council in the midst of a busy term of work. Give thanks for Rev Ben Walker, the new Council convener, as he continues to familiarise himself with the Council's work, and for Mr Rick Hill as he serves in the role of Council secretary.*

## Wednesday 30 October

- **St Petersburg Christian University** | *St Petersburg Christian University provides accredited higher education based on evangelical values. Pray for the students from all over Russia who attend to obtain Degrees and Masters in Theology. Pray that they will grow in faith and be well equipped for leadership in the church.*
- **Leaders in Training** | *Give thanks for the many students from partner churches who are supported by grants from United Appeal. Pray for those engaged in residential study with the result that they are often separated from their families for prolonged periods.*

## Thursday 31 October

- **Healthcare chaplains** | *Give thanks for the appointment of Rev Lindsay Blair in the new role of Lead Chaplain in the Western Health & Social Care Trust, based at Altnagelvin Hospital. Pray for Lindsay as he beds into this new position & pray for the whole chaplaincy team as they continue to provide holistic spiritual care for patients, families & staff in the face of great pressures.*
- **Kells** | *Give thanks for the continued witness of the small congregation of Kells in Co Meath. Pray particularly for those who serve on the preaching rota & those who worship faithfully in the congregation, that they may sense the Lord's leading week by week.*

## Friday 1 November

- **Volunteers** | *Volunteers play a vital role in enriching the lives of others. Give thanks for the volunteers across the Council for Social Witness (CSW) Services. Pray for Kenneth Downes, CSW office volunteer, who has served faithfully for almost 15 years and is a valued member of the team. Give thanks for Kenneth and the work he does in the office and within Assembly Buildings.*
- **Council for Public Affairs** | *Pray that PCI's response to the Programme for Government (Northern Ireland Assembly) consultation which closes on 4 November will be taken into consideration when Northern Ireland departments make policy and legislative decisions in the current mandate.*

## Saturday 2 November

- **General Council** | *Pray for the ongoing work of the General Assembly Advisory Committee as it meets in the coming days to discuss a variety of matters and bring recommendations to the General Council.*
- **Training in Ministry** | *This week is the mid-point of the semester in Union College. It is marked by the pausing of classes and students having a reading week. This is an important time for students to study, both to catch up and to prepare for future assignments. Pray that the Lord would enable them to use this time profitably for their preparation for ministry.*