

# Let's Pray

Sun 7 September - Sat 13 September 2025

## **Sunday 7 September**

- **Moderator** | Pray for the Moderator as he commences his first Presbytery tour in office in Derry and Donegal. Pray for all the interactions that will take place as he meets different groups in the community, preaches at various services and engages with several civic organisations. Pray for strength & stamina as he embarks on a busy & demanding schedule of events on both sides of the border.
- **Knowing the blessings of God in worship |** The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26. Ask that as you worship today you may know the blessings of God's favour, grace and peace.

## **Monday 8 September**

- Edwin & Anne Kibathi, global mission workers, London | Gives thanks to God for the encouragement of a range of outreach activities that took place in July and August, praying that those who came along would continue experiencing the love of Jesus. Pray for God's loving hand on scheduled events for September, including the TEE Graduation Service on Sunday 28 September, that God would be glorified.
- Faculté Jean Calvin (FJC), France | Give thanks for PCI's longstanding partnership with FJC and pray for Prof Gordon Campbell who is currently preparing a new 'Gospels' short course. Gordon plans to travel to Aix-en-Provence at the end of October to teach this new course in-person and when the lectures will be recorded for the benefit of FJC's distance-learning students.

## **Tuesday 9 September**

- **Donabate Rev Andy Carroll** | Give thanks for the congregation of Donabate, praying particularly for Rev Andy Carroll and the Kirk Session as they embark on the new church year.
- **John Coulter, chaplain, Ulster University Coleraine** | Pray for John as the new term in Coleraine campus begins. Pray that he would develop good contacts and relationships with students and staff; that his healthy partnership in the gospel with the Christian Union would continue and that the chaplaincy provision in the university would be a blessing.

## Wednesday 10 September

- Gary & Mary Reid, global mission workers, Kenya | Please pray for the leaders, especially new elders, in the congregations of Olkinyei and Siana, that God would give them wisdom and discernment so that their decision-making would be for the glory of God and the blessing of the entire church family. Pray for Gary and Mary who plan to be in Kenya during September and October and thereafter return to Northern Ireland so that Gary can undergo further surgery.
- Scripture Union Malawi (SUM) | Pray for SUM as it reaches out in Eastern Malawi with a Yao Bible guide. Give thanks for training workshops for Bible reading promoters and for the preparing, digitising, type-setting, and printing of the manuscripts. Remember also SUM's local volunteers as they carry out Bible-reading promotions in churches and schools, seeking to establish Bible study groups and Bible clubs in every district in Malawi.

#### **Thursday 11 September**

- **Lewis McKelvey, mission pioneer, Ballycastle** | Please pray for Lewis as he continues to settle into his role in Ballycastle and for all that is planned for the new church year, particularly for the ongoing Alpha Course and regular family services.
- **Drumkeeran, Killeshandra, Cavan and Bellasis** | *Give thanks for the recent summer praise event and pray for the ongoing impact of such initiatives, alongside the regular pattern of worship services in these congregations.*

#### **Friday 12 September**

- **Dementia** In NI approximately 22,000 people have been diagnosed with dementia this number is expected to treble by 2051.

  Dementia is a collection of symptoms, including a gradual loss of the ability to think, learn, reason, communicate and carry out daily activities. The stress of day-to-day care as you watch a loved one's health deteriorate can often be overwhelming and can leave carers exhausted. Pray that people will not feel alone and isolated, and that they will be able to get advice and support from specialist services.
- **Peace & Reconciliation** | Please pray for Tony Davidson and Karen Campbell as they continue to work to develop the follow up resource to Considering Grace. Pray for those who have been impacted by the conflict in Northern Ireland and for whom public discussions about dealing with the past trigger painful and distressing memories. Pray that they would know the reality of the peace and comfort that comes from God.

#### **Saturday 13 September**

- General Council | Pray for the work of the General Assembly Structures and Resources task group convened by the Very Rev Dr
  William Henry. Pray for discernment and wisdom as the group considers complex and sometimes sensitive issues affecting the
  governance of the church.
- **Training in Ministry** | Pray for work of the College as the new academic year commences. Pray for the students, especially the new undergraduates and the first-year ministry students, that they will settle in quickly and that their studies will be enriching and a blessing.