

SAT 27 Pray especially for all those whose businesses or livelihoods have been adversely impacted by Covid. Pray that grants and financial assistance will be sufficient and paid on time, and that businesses will survive and flourish once restrictions are lifted.

SUN 28 On Palm Sunday, pray for Frank as he speaks on Jesus as “Servant, and for Drew as he speaks on predestination this evening. As this is Pastor and Mrs Yu’s final Sunday at Satsunae Lighthouse Church, Sapporo - pray for appropriate farewells.

MON 29 From today until 31st – pray for safety and creativity as Helen hopes to travel to provide some childcare during hoped-for in-person meetings by missionaries in that area.

TUE 30 During Holy Week, we are unable to connect with our friends in St Donard’s and Bloomfield Methodist this year, but pray for their life and witness and for future fellowship together.

WED 31 Pray for the believers in Myanmar who are fervently praying after the military coup and the financial

effects of Covid-19. Draconian laws have been implemented taking away people’s basic rights. Pray for those who are struggling to support their families at this uncertain and uneasy time.

BLOOMFIELD PRAYER DIARY MARCH 2021

Ps 4 v 1 “Be merciful to me, and hear my prayer”.

MON 1 Pray particularly for the online training for the new elders elect – that God will use these training sessions to help equip and prepare them for their new roles. Continue to pray for all healthcare workers, and especially for their health and stamina at this time.

TUE 2 Whether we are permitted back into church for services or not, pray that we would still worship the unchanging God, and give thanks for the technology and all those who operate it which permits us to live stream and zoom.

WED 3 Pray for the change in personnel in Union Theological College, and pray that new members of staff may fit in well and that the selection procedures for future changes be consciously open to the Holy Spirit’s guidance.

THURS 4 In Japan, some missionary ladies are hoping to gather for an in-person day

retreat. Pray for Helen as she helps co-ordinate that.

FRI 5. Pray for all of the couples doing the online marriage course – that they would find it beneficial for their marriages. Pray for the strengthening of marriages throughout our congregation.

SAT 6 Thank God for the successful creation of Charis Facebook to enable the Charis team to keep in touch with the families, and also give thanks for the willingness and enthusiasm for those who will manage the site. Pray for continued protection from Covid for the Charis children and families, especially for those attending school.

SUN 7 Pray for Frank today as he leads morning worship and also tonight when the theme is “Arguing with Jesus”.

MON 8 Pray particularly for our younger children (P1-P3) as they return to the classroom today for the next 2 weeks. Pray also for their teachers as they resume face-to-face teaching. Pray for safety, and also that these 2 weeks will be of benefit to children, teachers and parents.

TUE 9. Pray for Amy Cooper serving with YWAM in Costa Rica – that the Holy Spirit would work through her as she and the team reach out into the community. Pray also for her continued protection, safety and health.

WED 10 Remember in prayer our prayer meeting this evening. Pray particularly that our church will find someone able and willing to take on the important role of treasurer.

THURS 11 Continue to pray for all the new elders elect as they spend time in training. Pray also for anyone waiting on tests, treatment or surgery – that they would get this in good time without delays.

FRI 12 Give thanks for the rolling out of the Covid vaccines, and for all those who have worked in any way to make this happen. Pray that this would continue successfully, with as many people as possible getting vaccinated quickly, and that the vaccine would be effective.

SAT 13 Commit to God in prayer 2 recent Scripture Union E3 East Belfast initiatives for pupils, leaders

and school communities in 41 schools – 28 primary, 6 special, and 7 post-primary – that God's light will shine hope and life .

SUN 14 Pray for Frank as he preaches this morning on “Jesus – the Resurrection and the Life”, and pray also for this evening's sermon where the theme is “Morality”.

MON 15 Pray for Union College management committee which meets today, and especially for Drew who sits on it. This committee is looking after all physical and financial affairs in these very difficult financial times.

TUE 16 Remember in prayer our Kirk Session as they meet tonight online at 7.30 pm. Ask God to grant each member His guidance as they discuss matters, plan and make decisions.

WED 17 Continue to pray for our Connect Groups as they meet online. Pray for them all as they study God's word and pray together, that they will still enjoy real fellowship and help support each other at this time.

THURS 18 Commit to God in prayer our Executive as they meet today to consider and

make decisions about the Covid legal restrictions. Pray also for scientific and medical advisers who are providing all the data and advice. Pray for God to grant His wisdom for all their decision making at this time, and that any decisions will benefit our society and lives.

FRI 19 Pray for all families whose lives have been adversely affected by Covid-19. May God envelop and comfort them in their worry and grief. Pray especially for anyone who has been bereaved – that they will feel God's presence in their sorrow.

SAT 20 Continue to pray for the re-building of Walkway. Pray for safety on site for all the workers, and that the project will be delivered on time.

SUN 21 Pray particularly for this morning's service, when Michael will speak on “Jesus the Christ”, and for this evening service when Frank will speak from Mark Ch 12 on “Politics”.

MON 22 Pray for those of our older children as they go back to school for one week, and also for their teachers. Continue to pray for the work of Storehouse, and remember in prayer those families who have

had to depend on organisations such as this due to the effects of the pandemic and loss of their livelihoods.

TUE 23 Pray for our church committee as it meets this evening and ask God to grant His wisdom and be with the committee in all their discussions and plans.

WED 24 Pray for the amazing Good News of Easter to be heard and impact children, young people and families, and specifically – for SUNI Easter lessons to prove a useful resource and to be used by schools.

THURS 25 Pray for the Seniors J.O.Y zoom meeting today at 3pm. Pray for all who take part and come along – that it will be a time of real fun and fellowship.

FRI 26 Pray for continued safety for the staff and residents of the Arches Nursing Home, and for other nursing homes in our area. Pray that covid rules would relax so as to allow visiting to begin again. Pray particularly for any of our members who are now residing in care homes.