

Bloomfield Prayer Diary

March 2022

1 Thess 5:16 Be joyful always; pray continually;

TUES 1 At the beginning of a new month let us 'Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His love endures forever' (Ps 136 verse 1). Remember in prayer East Belfast Presbytery as they meet this evening in 1st Hollywood.

WED 2 Today is the first day of Lent. Can we pray that this is a time of outward focus while we also reflect on how we live our lives in the light of God's word.

THURS 3 Remember in prayer the Bowlers Open Day that there may be a good attendance and fellowship. Remember also our PW as they meet this evening. Pray especially for our speaker Stephen Chisholm (winner of the Great Irish Bake Off) together with his Mum Valerie. Pray for those who will lead it, for all the women who attend and for all the arrangements and practicalities to go smoothly.

FRI 4 Remember the Merge group tonight, that the young people will have fun and fellowship and be responsive to the Gospel message.

SAT 5 Pray for Charis families who are dealing with illness and bereavement. Pray that they will feel God close to them in these difficult times and that our words and actions will be a reflection of God's love for them.

SUN 6 Pray for Frank who has been invited by Rev Niall Lockhart to speak this morning in Ballyhenry, as they celebrate their 50th birthday. Pray for Michael as he preaches at the morning service and for Sam in the evening.

MON 7 Please pray for some members of our congregation in hospital undergoing treatment and surgery. Pray that God himself will be their strength and peace and for

good outcomes from treatment.

TUES 8 Pray for families and individuals who are suffering from the effect of increased fuel bills and the cost of living. Remember Storehouse and all the work it does.

WED 9 Pray for our Jolly Tots group. Give thanks for the number of new families who are attending each week together with all our regulars. Pray that they are made to feel welcome and that people will be blessed through conversations and time spent together.

THURS 10 Prayer requests from Helen, 'Pray may see God in my own life and for daily grace, energy and joy in the midst of turbulent emotions of saying many farewells. 4th-9th I can visit Nanae where I previously lived for 14 years to say farewell to friends and church members. Pray for Japan's borders to open so new workers (waiting for over a year) can arrive and I will have a chance to meet them. For Mr Kudoh as he graduates from Bible school March 12th and prepares to become Pastor

Satsunae Lighthouse Church from 1st April'.

FRI 11 Please pray for safety and fun for the young people attending Submerge tonight and especially for those hearing the Gospel Message for the first time.

SAT 12 Continue to remember Dads and Tots as they meet today. May there be family fun and fellowship.

Sun 13 Pray for our guest preacher John Samuel who is Pastor of Duke Street Church, Richmond and is part of The Proclamation Trust. Pray also for Drew as he leads the evening service.

MON 14 BB companies across Northern Ireland are participating in Mission 22 where they share the Gospel with boys. Pray for our boys and other Companies as they are challenged by the Gospel.

TUES 15 Commit to God in prayer Kirk Session as they meet tonight. Ask God to provide vision, guidance and wisdom as issues are discussed and decision made.

WED 16 Pray for Connect Groups as they study the Prophet Elijah. Pray that lessons will be learned from someone who stayed strong in the midst of opposition and adversity. Pray for those who attend and for all the group leaders as they prepare and lead the studies.

THURS 17 Pray for the Girls discipleship group as they meet so faithfully each week. Give thanks for such Godly influences on young lives and prayer for wisdom and guidance for leaders each week.

Pray for a peaceful St Patrick's Day and that all events go well.

FRI 18 Continue to pray for the preparations for our week of Easter Mission with Glen Scrivener. Pray that God would put on our hearts people to invite and give us courage to ask.

SAT 19 Give thanks for our Charis Mums as we meet today for a pamper day. Pray that they will be given strength and resilience as they deal with the difficulties of everyday life caring for their children with

special needs. Pray that we can reach out to them with the hope found in Jesus.

SUN 20 Commit Frank to God in prayer as he preaches on both Sunday morning and evening. Pray also for those who lead our praise so faithfully each week.

MON 21 Continue to pray for BB Companies as they participate in Mission 22. Pray for boys at BB, as they follow up tonight on what they heard last week.

TUES 22 Bring before God our Tuesday evening groups; Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers and the Boys Discipleship Group.

WED 23 Pray for God's guidance and direction for our Congregational Annual General Meeting. Pray that we would be thankful for all God has done for us and that we would listen to His voice for the future.

THURS 24 Pray for the work of Scripture Union and in particular that at the E3 meeting last month, Sarah Coghlan will have inspired and encouraged churches to take

initial steps towards making prayer spaces in schools a reality in local schools. Also pray for Sarah and Anita Conkey, preparing pupils in Mitchell House to move to Secondary level. Pray that the Bible-based lessons will prove relevant, enjoyable and helpful, building confidence, self-esteem and worth.

FRI 25 Pray for those who are caring for family members who are losing some of their independence and needing more care. Pray that they will have help and support and the awareness that the Lord is with them, bearing them up.

SAT 26 Please pray for safety and good fellowship as the walking group travel to the Ballycastle area to walk Grey Man Path and Murlough Bay.

SUN 27 Pray for Karen Jardine as she preaches in the morning and Michael as he leads our evening service.

As we celebrate Mother's Day, we remember those for whom it's a happy occasion and for others who will find the day difficult.

MON 28 Kneel in prayer before God with Ukrainian Christians at this time of crisis as Russia threatens invasion, which would have a horrific impact on human life.

TUES 29 The General Council of PCI meet this morning. Pray also for our Church Committee as it meets tonight. Pray that God will guide discussions and decision making.

WED 30 Remember to pray for Russel Bowers and his ministry to those in our local 'sporting world'. Pray that he will be enabled to have those important conversations with the people he encounters in this unique discipline.

THURS 31 Pray for Michael and Petra Stoneman as they plan to lead a team to the Czech Republic this summer. Pray that God will be touching the hearts of those whom He would want to step forward to be a part of this work.