

Bloomfield Prayer Diary

April 2022

Acts 6 verse 4 ' - - but we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word'

Fri 1 Psalm 14:1 tells us that the fool says in his heart there is no God. On April Fool's Day pray we may live God centred lives for His glory and point people to Christ.

Give thanks for our Merge group and pray that God would be continuing to work in the lives of our young people. Pray for the conversations and interactions leaders have with our teenagers.

Sat 2 This morning at 9.30am Kirk Session meet to pray for 'Dawning HOPE'. Pray for the Holy Spirit to fill everyone with faith and love. Also pray for the publicity campaign in the lead up to our 'Dawning HOPE' event during Holy Week. Pray our community will respond to public and personal invitations to come and hear the hope of the Gospel.

Sun 3 Pray for Stephen as he leads our morning worship and for Frank in the evening. Pray that we will be encouraged and ready for next week's once in a generation community outreach. We thank God for the privilege of being able to celebrate the Lord's Supper together at both services.

Mon 4 We seriously pray for Pastor Cornel and the leadership at Golgotha Baptist Church Moldova as they cater for hundreds of refugees from the Ukraine. Pray for their ability to continue to provide shelter, food, clothing, bedding, toiletries and a little finance as these dear folk travel onwards to other countries. Pray that the love and joy of Christ would be seen in them by those they serve.

Tues 5 Pray for the Boy's Discipleship group. Give thanks

to God for the boys and how open they are to explore God's Word with one another.

Wed 6 This evening members of St Donards and Bloomfield Methodist congregations join us for our prayer time at church when we will be praying specifically for 'Dawning HOPE'.

Thurs 7 Remember our PW as they meet this evening. Pray especially for our speaker Jill Robinson from Flourish NI – a local group which helps victims of trafficking. Pray for all those who attend and for Committee members as they lead the evening.

Also pray for the Girl's Discipleship group that God would speak to the girls through His Word as they continue their Bible overview series.

Fri 8 Please pray for our young people in P4-P7 as they meet for Submerge and for the time spent together hearing from God's word.

Sat 9 Pray for the Charis Easter celebration, that the families will be open to God's word as

we tell the Easter story in an interactive and sensory way.

Sun 10 On this Palm Sunday, pray for Frank as he leads our morning service 'Jesus of Nazareth-King of the Jews'. Then for our Guest Preacher Glen Scrivener, that he would be filled with the Holy Spirit as he preaches this morning at St Donards and Bloomfield Methodist churches and this evening at BPC.

Mon 11 This is the 'Dawning HOPE' week. Pray for a really good start to our outreach and for Glen as he speaks at 7.30pm on '**God. When Faith seems Impossible**'.

Tues 12 Glen will have the opportunity to speak with various groups this week. Pray for young people from BPC, St Donards and Bloomfield Methodist as they meet for dinner at 6pm before going to our 'Dawning HOPE' service. Pray that many will come this evening to hear '**Humanity. When the world seems Inhuman**'.

Also bring Soup Club before God and ask Him to bless all those who attend and be near

to those who are unable to. We pray for caterers, servers and those who provide transport. We thank God for the success of last month's get together.

Wed 13 Tonight Adam Smith continues to comper the evening outreaches. This evening the subject is '**Meaning. When Life seems Pointless**'.

Thurs 14 Pray that many will respond to the meaning of the Gospel and surrender to Christ. Tonight, Glen will speak on '**Love. When all seems Loveless**'.

Fri 15 This evening, Good Friday is our final push. Pray for an outpouring of God's grace at 7.30pm when Glen speaks on '**Hope. When the Future seems Hopeless**'.

Sat 16 Pray that the Devil would not snatch away the good seed of God's word in people's hearts and that our follow up course '321' would be well supported.

Sun 17 The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed. This Easter morning Glen will speak at our

All-Age Service and also at evening worship.

Mon 18 While 'Dawning HOPE' is over, pray that the new life of Jesus would just be beginning in many lives.

Tues 19 Pray for the 30 young people heading to Carrowmena Activity centre April 19-21 and for the leaders. Pray for safety, a deepening of relationships and most importantly for our young people to come to know Jesus and grow in His love.

Wed 20 Lord the most important thing we can do is pray for the defenceless people of the Ukraine as the deadly conflict continues. We pray for relief agencies and individuals who are trying to alleviate suffering by providing shelter, food and support. We remember our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering. 'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble' (Psalm 46v1).

Thurs 21 Following the three weeks SUNI programme on Identity presented by Sarah, E3 East Belfast Schools worker and Heidi, the Intern to the girls in Ashfield SU group, we pray that

girls will find their true identity in Christ. SU **Special Needs Ministry groups** is starting to return to meet in person. Please pray for the Lord's protection and favour, for enthusiasm and renewed vision for leaders and members.

Fri 22 Pray for the resilience of our community as world events bring added burdens and challenges to people's incomes. Pray common grace will increase and encourage more people in their efforts to help others less well off than themselves.

Sat 23 During April, the Bible Society ask us to pray for their work here in the UK. Pray for projects like Navigating Trauma and The Bible Course to bring people into a deeper relationship with Jesus, through His Word.

Sun 24 Pray for Frank as he speaks at morning worship where we will be thinking of our mission partners overseas. In the evening Stephen will lead us in a study from the prophecy of Zechariah 9, 'The Coming of Zion's King'.

Mon 25 Pray for the first of our follow up events from 'Dawning HOPE' in St Donards Parish Centre this evening when we begin '321', The Story of God, the World and You.

Tues 26 Please pray for Kirk Session as they meet this evening.

Wed 27 Pray for our congregational prayer time which takes place this evening via Zoom at 7.30pm.

Thurs 28 Pray for Helen Lyttle as she returns from 40 years of missionary service in Japan and starts the process of reorientating back home.

Fri 29 Prayers please for our Church and Walkway. Pray anyone in need will find comfort and support if they ask us for help due to the rising costs of living caused by local and world events. Pray all our actions reflect Christ and His love.

Sat 30 Please pray for safety and good fellowship as the walking group travel to the Mourne Mountains to walk Slieve Binnian.

