

# Let's Pray

Sun 28 April - Sat 4 May 2024

## Sunday 28 April

- **Moderator** | *Pray for the Moderator as he continues his moderator's duties in the coming week when he joins in the celebrations for Edengrove congregation's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary and also leads the worship on Sunday at Drogheda Presbyterian Church. Pray for God's blessing on the ministry and mission of both of these congregations and give thanks for their witness in their various communities.*
- **Answering God's invitation to worship** | *Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Psalm 95:1. Ask God to help us respond to his invitation to find joy in him as we express our praise in song today.*

## Monday 29 April

- **Gary and Mary Reid, global mission workers, Kenya** | *Pray for the evangelists, worship leaders and church families within Olkinyei and Siana as they grow in their relationship with the Lord and reach out into the wider area. Pray that God will be glorified through the Maasai believers and through Gary and Mary.*
- **Scripture Union, Malawi (SUM)** | *Pray for Goodson Saulosi, SUM director, and for the effective development of SUM's ministry among children and young people throughout Malawi.*

## Tuesday 30 April

- **CMI Gathering** | *Give thanks for all those who plan to attend the Council for Mission in Ireland (CMI) Gathering on 13-14 May in Carlingford. Pray for James and Heather Cochrane as they speak and for all Irish mission workers, deaconesses, community outreach workers and mission project workers who will attend.*
- **Vacant Home Mission congregations** | *Remember these congregations as they seek God about the next steps in their ministry and mission: Ballina and Killala, Ballycastle, Corboy and Mullingar, Donegal and Stranorlar, Dunfanaghy and Carrigart, Kells, Belvoir, Rathcoole and Taughmonagh.*

## Wednesday 1 May

- **St Petersburg University, Russia** | *Pray for peace in this region, for the continued ministry of evangelical churches and the university, and for Igor Kusnetsov, the new Rector, along with the University's academic staff.*
- **Presbyterian Church of Myanmar (PCM)** | *PCM properties and the homes of church members have continued to be bombed and destroyed in recent weeks. Pray for God's protection and provision for the hundreds of families internally displaced and for those reaching out to them pastorally and with practical care.*

## Thursday 2 May

- **Shirley McGonigle, assistant project leader, International Meeting Point (IMP)** | *Praise God for the increase in people considering becoming a volunteer. Pray that God will bless IMP with people of his choosing. Pray for those who are deeply missing family, especially those who have had no contact from them for many weeks.*
- **Church planting - Balbriggan** | *Pray for the work in Balbriggan as it enters a new phase in the months ahead, that those in leadership would know God's leading and guidance through it all.*

## Friday 3 May

- **Social Witness** | *Give thanks for 40 years of work and witness in Thompson House, PCI's supported housing scheme for offenders. Pray for David Farrow, director, and his staff team as they come alongside residents and show them the love of Christ. Pray that the lives of residents will be changed from the inside out & that God will move mightily in Thompson House.*
- **Healthcare** | *Give thanks for healthcare chaplains, for the support that they are to both patients and families during life's difficulties. Pray for them as they navigate our changing culture and as they continue to be salt and light where they work.*

## Saturday 4 May

- **General Council** | *Pray for the ongoing work of the General Assembly's Judicial Special Commission and the Commission on Applications as they meet to deal with sensitive matters on behalf of the wider church. Pray particularly as reports are finalised for the private session of the 2024 Assembly, remembering especially the Judicial Commission convener and secretary, Rev Norman Cameron and the Clerk, Rev Trevor Gribben, respectively.*
- **Training in Ministry** | *An event was held recently, led by the Pastoral Care for Ministers and their Families Panel, with the Moderator as the keynote speaker. The aim was to support presbyteries in their work of caring for ministers and their families. Pray for the panel, and for presbyteries as they carry out this important part of their work.*