

Presbyterian
Women 

Being TRANSFORMED

2023/24 PROGRAMME

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Romans 12:2



Welcome to *Presbyterian Women*

Presbyterian Women seeks to encourage women to live for Jesus, being disciples and making disciples, and it is our prayer that you may know the light of God's presence as you meet together in friendship and love.

Theme:

The 2023 – 2024 theme is *Being TRANSFORMED* and is based on Romans 12:2:

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Motto:

Living for Jesus

Mission Statement:

Presbyterian Women encourages women to become disciples of Christ.

Our aims:

Presbyterian Women aims to highlight the need for:

Love and unity | Luke 10:27

Obedience to God | John 14:15

A servant heart | 1 Corinthians 15:58

Local and global mission | Matthew 28:19

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For encouragement, news, stories & book reviews



Wider World is the magazine of *Presbyterian Women* and has a readership of around 11,500 women (and men!) throughout our congregations in Ireland and beyond. Included are articles on the issues facing Christian women today as well as Global Mission Workers, Deaconesses, PW/Women's Ministry Groups and events. It is published quarterly – March, June, September and December and the annual subscription is €7.00/€8.00, or £1.75/€2.00 for single copies. We would like many more women to enjoy the magazine and benefit from its very relevant articles and we would appreciate your help in promoting this in your congregation and group. A year's subscription to *Wider World* is also a very worthwhile gift!

You can subscribe through your congregation's *Wider World* Agent or by contacting *Presbyterian Women* in the Congregational Life and Witness Department. The magazine is also available in Digital format and you can download your copy at

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Presbyterian Women Mission Fund

How your partnership makes a difference

The work of *Presbyterian Women* is fully reliant on the generosity of group donations which enables us to support the development of ministry to women in the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Your giving allows us to produce group resources, organise conferences and run training events.

Every year we support various projects at home and overseas. From helping to fund the provision of a more modern, well- equipped kitchen at the International Meeting Point in North Belfast, to partnering with the Evangelical Christian Church in Timor, Indonesia, in the restoration of the Suara Kasih Radio Station after Cyclone Seroja struck the region in April 2021 - without you, none of this could be achieved.

Your partnership supports the work of Deaconesses here at home, the training of new student Deaconesses, and the work of South Belfast Friendship House in Sandy Row, and your generosity continues to reach across the world by supporting the work of PCI's 29 Global Mission Workers in 11 different countries.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up". Galatians 6 v 9

Ways to respond

There are lots of ways you can partner with us. You can support us via:
- A Mission Box - Fundraising Events - Group Donations - Direct Debit

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Remember to participate in Gift Aid if you are a U.K. taxpayer

Special Home Project 2023-24

This year we will have a two-stranded Home Project, focused on the support of Mental Health through the excellent work of *REACH* and *Biblical Counselling Ireland*.

REACH Mentoring for Young People is an excellent Christian charity which focuses on offering a mentoring programme for young people aged between 9-18 years in schools in the Armagh, Down and Craigavon areas.

The second strand of our Special Home Project will support the fledgling project of *Biblical Counselling Ireland*, a counselling organisation based in churches in the Dublin area and which is closely linked to Adelaide Road Presbyterian Church.

In 2023/2024 *Presbyterian Women* hopes to raise £10,000 for each of these projects to enable them to reach many more people of all ages with the mental health support they need.

Special Overseas Project 2023-24

SAT-7 | Women Across the Middle East & North Africa (MENA) - **Transforming** women's experience through broadcast media in the Middle East and North Africa that they may know the fulness of life in Christ.

Unfortunately, the situation of women in the region where SAT-7 works is well documented as the worst in the world for gender equality. Generally, laws provide inadequate support for women and, even when framed correctly, are not well enforced. Many of the problems can be found entrenched in very traditional cultural values, and examples of inequality and physical and sexual abuse are so common as to be almost normal.

SAT-7 broadcasts boldly into this context trying to present a new way of living based upon biblical values; this raises up the value of women and girls to their communities and tries to give them a voice to speak for themselves. Alongside this, with online engagement via the internet, there are many opportunities to help those women who are victims and guide them to a better future.

Presbyterian Women hopes to raise £10,000 to enable the ministry of SAT-7 across the Middle East and North Africa, and to enable women across Ireland to hear more about this incredible work.

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