

This Prayer Calendar is provided to encourage us to pray for one another within the fellowship of Affinity.

Information is provided each month by our **member** agencies, churches and organisations. We also include prayer requests from churches within our wider network. If you wish information for prayer to be included in the Prayer Calendar please send it to us at least five days before the end of the month in which you would like it to appear.

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- 1** Please pray for Ben and Liz, who have just finished spending three weeks on a **100fold** stand at Keswick. Pray that many will have heard about the work of 100fold and will have been inspired to support their work, either through finances or volunteering. Pray especially that God would be glorified as more have heard of his work through 100fold.
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- 2** Please pray for the **Evangelical Movement of Wales'** Aber Conference, which starts next Saturday (9–16 August). Please pray especially for the main speakers, Vaughan Roberts (English) and Dewi Tudur (Welsh), as well as all other speakers. May the Spirit guide and empower them as they open God's Word. Pray also for the EMW Office Team facing a particularly busy season of preparation for camps, conferences, missions, and the Theological Training Course. Please uphold Abi, Nichola, Alaw, Liz, and the dedicated team of volunteers.
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- 3** Pray for Criccieth Family Church (part of the **AECW**), which, 25 years ago, grew out of the SU Holiday Club (previously CSSM) held every summer for over 100 years. This year's mission takes place from 3–16 August. Pray that good numbers of both local and visiting children and youth will engage with the gospel, and that many will come to faith in the Lord Jesus. The church also welcomes large numbers of visitors each Sunday in the summer. Pray that believers will be encouraged and that those who don't yet know the Lord will understand and respond to the good news as they experience the warm welcome that reflects the love of God.
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- 4** Please pray for the right candidate for the role of Finance Manager in the **Free Church of Scotland** central office. Pray that God's hand will be in the process, from the application through to the interviews.
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- 5** **London City Mission** Missionary Adam Boyce describes the vision of LiNKUPs as 'introducing young people from the city to Jesus – in an environment which they're familiar with – and giving them confidence to share him in their everyday life.' For many young people, LiNKUPs has been fundamental to their journey with Christ. Pray for LiNKUPs starting this Friday (8 August), and join LCM's Online Prayer tonight (5 August), where attendees can meet Adam and hear more about LiNKUPs.
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- 6** Please pray for Grace Church Coventry, which is part of the **International Presbyterian Church**, on its first anniversary. Specifically, pray for the provision of long-term housing for the minister, Peter Leach, for wise planning in the coming month, and for new people to join the church over the summer.
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- 7** Give thanks for the fruitful six years Adam Goddard has spent with **Duke Street Church, Richmond**, as Pastor-in-Training while studying part-time at Oak Hill. Pray for Adam and his family as Adam takes up the role of Senior Minister at Christchurch Baldock from September. Pray the church would be richly blessed by his ministry and that the Goddard family would settle in quickly to a new area, church, home, and school.
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- 8** Pray for the many churches and Christian ministries **Access Insurance** advises, as they plan and begin summer activities, clubs, and other ministries over the coming weeks.
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- 9** Please pray for Chris and Hannah with **Daylight Christian Prison Trust's** stand at the EMW Aber Conference this week (9–16 August), that they will have many good conversations which will lead to more people supporting and getting involved in prison ministry.
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- 10 Pray for Simon from **True Freedom Trust** as he speaks from 1 Samuel 18 at a church in Bishops Stortford this morning (10 August), unpacking a biblical vision for friendship.
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- 11 Please pray for Christian teachers and parents as the long-awaited Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) guidance has been released by the DfE, and sadly, many of the positive aspects that had been in the draft guidance have been removed. There is an emphasis on engagement with pupils rather than content being led by adults, and age restrictions designed to protect children have been removed. Pray for **Lovewise** as they support Christian parents to be wise in engaging with schools to protect their children from harmful content, and that parents would teach God's good design for marriage and sex to their children at home.
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- 12 As schools are closed for the summer, pray for the Christians that **Crossteach** knows in schools, both adults and young people. Pray that they will cling to God's trustworthy nature and that they will be effective lights in the darkness in their families and school communities.
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- 13 Pray for wisdom as **Little Hill Church, Wigston**, seek to strengthen and expand the number of those in leadership.
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- 14 Join **Wycliffe Bible Translators** in praying for the Dobel people of Indonesia, who are eagerly awaiting the New Testament in their language. Pray for them – and many others still waiting – that God's word would soon be available, understood, and life-changing.
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- 15 Please pray for the **Cornerstone UK** team as they endeavour to establish two new services in addition to their English fostering service: a fostering service in Scotland and an adoption service in England. Pray that existing foster carers will transfer to Cornerstone UK or that new ones will begin their fostering journeys with them; pray for Christians to step forward into adoption; and for all the people and financial resources the organisation requires.
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- 16 Pray for new charities and church plants as they establish governance systems that meet the Charity Commission's requirements. Pray that **Edward Connor Solicitors (ECS)** would be able to support them well and help them quickly navigate red tape. One particular concern is that charities that are also companies are facing a raft of changes and requirements this autumn. Pray for the team of charity solicitors at ECS as they guide charities through the new legislation.
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- 17 Please pray for **A Passion for Life** as it works to promote and provide resources for a nationwide gospel mission in March 2026. Pray for hundreds of churches in the four nations of the UK to join together for this 'month of mission'. Please pray for the content being produced and finalised as churches begin to register for Life '26.
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- 18 Please pray for the Holiday Bible Club happening at Omagh Evangelical Presbyterian Church (part of the **Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Ireland**), which starts today (18–22 August). Please pray for God's blessing on this evangelistic outreach.
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- 19 Give thanks for the 664 churches that are part of the **FIEC** family. Pray that, though independent, they would be inter-dependent and work together for the sake of the gospel.
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- 20 Please pray for church leaders preparing to start **Crosslands'** Foundation groups in their churches in September. Pray for gospel fruit, growth, and encouragement from God's word.
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- 21 **Release International** is preparing resources for churches to use this autumn, to mark the annual International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. This will include a short video that churches can use. This year's theme will be 'Pastors under Pressure'. Please pray for the production of the materials, and that many churches will want to use them to remember and to pray for brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer for Christ and the gospel.
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- 22 Please pray that more people will be able to join the therapeutic daytime activities at **Caring For Life's** farm in the coming months. Join Caring For Life in thanking the Lord that the farm is a place for vulnerable and 'at risk' men and women to enjoy, that it is a safe space for people to grow and develop and to feel something of the Lord's presence and peace. Please pray that many conversations about the Lord will be had, whilst staff and beneficiaries work and relax around and about the farm.
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- 23** Pray for the 70-80,000 Lopit people of South Sudan. They inhabit the Lopit Hills in Torit district but have been marginalised and politically excluded by the Lotuka elite. The **Africa Inland Mission (AIM)** team is so encouraged by the local believers who are firm in their faith and beginning to step up to lead. Recently, leaders from seven churches came together to be trained in preaching skills and church structure, led by one of the local believers. Pray for Lopit Christians to use the gifts they've been given to build up and strengthen the church.
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- 24** Please pray that the Lord may be kind to **Trinity Road Chapel, Tooting**, as a fellowship. Trinity Road Chapel would particularly value prayer that it may please the Lord to grow their fellowship numerically and that he might increase their membership. They desire above all that such growth may come about because of folks in the community being converted and saved by the Lord Jesus Christ in repentance and faith.
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- 25** Please pray for the **Grace Baptist Partnership** Conference happening over the next few days (26–28 August) at Highgate House Conference Centre near Northampton. Please pray especially for the main speaker, Yannick Christos-Wahab, as he gives three expositions from Habakkuk.
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- 26** Please pray for **Church Society's** Junior Anglican Evangelical Conference (JAEC) on the theme of 'Love', starting today (26 August). Pray for speakers, organisation, and usefulness of the conference for junior evangelicals, especially that they would be encouraged and equipped to contend for gospel ministry in the Church of England. Please also pray for Church Society's AGM tomorrow afternoon (27 August), where their Council will be elected.
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- 27** Please give thanks for God's continued blessing on the work of the **Coalition for Marriage**, particularly for the opportunities they have spoken and presented at various Churches over the summer months. Pray that the seeds planted during these engagements will bear lasting fruit in churches, families, and communities. As they approach the autumn session, please pray specifically for wisdom, clarity, and effectiveness as they refresh materials for their autumn marriage refresher courses, pre-marriage resources, and family conferences. Pray that these resources will be biblically faithful, culturally relevant, and practically beneficial to churches and families who use them.
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- 28** Please pray for the over 40 new students across **Oak Hill College** programmes starting in September, as they prepare to begin their studies, whether that involves moving home or making new rhythms in their weeks. Pray for God to be preparing their hearts for all he is going to teach and form in them in their time at Oak Hill.
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- 29** Please pray for **Solas**, thanking God for his provision that has enabled them to meet their financial obligations so far this year. Pray for guidance as they plan their budget for the coming year and trust in the Lord to provide needed resources. Additionally, pray for invitations for both direct evangelism and evangelism training, and for their dedicated administrative staff to be strengthened. Pray that all their communications be wise, gracious, and bring glory to Christ.
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- 30** Please pray for the upcoming ordination and induction of Andrew Whitmarsh (who has trained for ministry at The Tron Church, Glasgow, with Cornhill Scotland, part of the **Didasko Fellowship of Churches**) to Maxwell Church in Kilmaurs, East Ayrshire, on Friday 12 September.
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- 31** Please pray for **Christian Concern's** Wilberforce Academy, which starts today (31 August) and runs for a week. It is an intensive crash course on a Christian perspective on the various cultural issues we face. Pray for everyone who attends to be impacted, and for long-lasting relationships and friendships to be formed.
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