

Prayer points are provided each month by Affinity's members to encourage us to pray for another. We also include prayer requests from churches within our wider network. Please send requests to office@affinity.org.uk at least seven days before the start of the month in which you would like it to appear.

- 1 Pray with **Wycliffe Bible Translators** for the Marakwet Bible launch in Kenya. Pray that this historic milestone will be a catalyst for spiritual renewal across the region, and that God's word in their own language will transform lives and families for generations to come.
 - 2 Pray for the **SASRA** outreach week at the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo rehearsals (1-7 August). Pray for opportunities for the SASRA team to share the gospel with those rehearsing and for God's wisdom and guidance in all conversations with soldiers and aviators.
 - 3 **Voice of Persecuted Christians** (formerly Release International) is leading a seminar on 'Light in the Darkest Places' at the Keswick Convention on 4 August. Pray that many attend and that those who do are moved to respond to the sufferings of brothers and sisters in Christ.
 - 4 Give thanks for encouragements for **Daylight CPT** as they exhibit at conferences this summer. Pray for conversations at the Keswick Convention (1-7 Aug) and at the Aber Conference (8-15 Aug) – that these lead more people to get involved with prison ministry.
 - 5 Please pray with **Faith in Later Life** for churches running Holidays at Home this month. Pray that God would bless every plan, activity and conversation, and that older people who attend would be drawn to know his love.
 - 6 Pray for **BCM Scotland**'s team as they minister to the children at the Refuel 26 Christian Festival (5-9 August). This includes a full morning program and an evening club time.
 - 7 Pray with **Christian Concern** for the Second Reading of the new Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill which seeks to legalise state provision of assisted suicide. 12 or more MPs need to change their votes to stop it progressing into law. The Second Reading is due on 11 Sept.
 - 8 Give thanks for **Lovewise**'s opportunities to sell resources through summer camps and conferences. Pray that parents and youth leaders are proactive in seeking out such resources and that their materials will reach young people needing biblical teaching on relationships.
 - 9 Pray for new students preparing to start the Pastoral Training Course at **London Seminary** in September, especially those moving to live on site. Pray for provision of necessary funds, and for spiritual growth as they engage with preparatory reading.
 - 10 Pray that **Little Hill Church**'s first camp as a church family is a success. Pray for good Welsh weather and that their bonds of fellowship would be strengthened.
 - 11 This week **DayOne Christian Ministries** are exhibiting in the mission exhibition at the Aber Conference. Please pray for good opportunities to share with people about their ministry.
 - 12 Please pray for those youth from **Duke Street Church** who are going on summer camps, that the Lord would work powerfully in them, persuading them to follow Jesus wholeheartedly.
 - 13 Please pray for **A Passion for Life** as they plan and prepare for the Evangelism Conference in October, with two physical locations and regional hubs across the UK.
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- 14 Give thanks for **Affinity**'s staff team, trustees and council as they alternate between taking a break over the summer and preparing for the autumn term. Pray that the Lord would bless them in both and help them to rest and to work in a way that brings him glory.
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- 15 Join **Edward Connor Solicitors** in praying for church leaders over this summer break. Pray that they might have a time of rest and relaxation, and also that they would have the mental space to think through the things they need to get in place for their churches over the autumn.
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- 16 Please pray for **Sharing Christ Internationally** as it needs to find people God is leading into mission. Jesus said: "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:37-38)
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- 17 Pray with **AIM** for the 700,000 islanders of the Indian Ocean (with large communities also in France and Madagascar). Pray for "Barry" (an islander who is ready to place his faith in Jesus) and for his wife (who has threatened him if he chooses to follow Christ).
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- 18 Pray with **Christians in Care** for our new PM and cabinet ministers. Pray they prioritise social care, do all they can to protect the vulnerable in society, and make decisions that affirm the contribution of care workers in the UK. Pray against the legalisation of assisted suicide.
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- 19 Please pray for **Church Society**'s Finance Manager vacancy. Pray that the Lord would raise up the right person to manage the finances of Church Society, as they seek to reform and renew the Church of England in biblical faith.
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- 20 With nearly 60 new students starting in September, please join **Oak Hill College** in praying for them as they prepare to begin their studies, especially for those moving home. 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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- 21 Pray for the **Solas CPC** speaking team as they take time over the summer for writing new gospel talks. Pray too for Solas's work making relevant gospel resources, audio, video, web-based articles and in print. Pray for wisdom in making these and for them to be widely seen.
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- 22 Pray for **Coalition for Marriage**'s response to the Government's consultation on the reform of weddings law. Pray as they make the case that marriage is the lifelong union of one man and one woman, freely and openly promised, and that the law should say so plainly.
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- 23 Please pray for the ongoing preparations for the **FIEC** Leaders' Conference coming up in November: that it will be an encouraging time of fellowship and teaching on the theme of prayer in church life.
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- 24 Join **Wycliffe Bible Translators** in praising God that audio Scripture in the Ngelema language of the northeast Democratic Republic of the Congo exposed deception and delivered an entire community. Pray for Scripture to continue to dispel spiritual darkness in the DRC.
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- 25 Pray the **Solas CPC** team increasingly exemplifies Romans 12:10-12: "Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."
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- 26 Pray with **Lovewise** that their 'Off to Uni' series on Lovewise Online will reach many young people preparing to start university this autumn and that it will help them prepare for the changes that this new stage brings.
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- 27 Join **Wycliffe Bible Translators** in praying for the Kinga people of Tanzania as they review Genesis 25-50. Pray that reading Joseph's life story will help them understand how God works through even the most difficult circumstances for the ultimate good of his people.
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- 28 Please pray for **True Freedom Trust**'s women's weekend, which is taking place this weekend (28-30 August). Pray that it would be a good time of fellowship and encouragement for those who attend.
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Edward Connor Solicitors are holding more trustee training sessions in September and October. Pray for staff preparing content for these, that they would be able to give the right information to help trustees thrive in their role and be the right support for their organisations.

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Join the **Free Church of Scotland** in giving thanks for their Youth Camps this summer. Give thanks for the dedication of all who helped make them possible. Pray that the young people who attended continue to grow in their knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Please pray for **Coalition for Marriage**'s ongoing engagement with parliamentarians who want to develop pro-marriage family policy. Pray for wisdom and favour as they set out for MPs and Peers what these proposals would mean for women and children.

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