

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 Aug). This includes a morning program and evening club time. Pray for Dan and Abi, whom **York Evangelical Church** have appointed as interns for the next academic year.
- 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 for all those who live in the different homes that **Caring For Life** provides. Pray that they will also be able to find safe housing throughout Leeds for the many others they support. Pray that all these homes would be places where Jesus is central in everything.
- 11 Pray for good opportunities for **DayOne Christian Ministries** to share about their ministry as they exhibit in the mission exhibition at the Aber Conference. Pray too that **Little Hill Church**'s first church family camp would have good weather and see bonds of fellowship strengthened.
- 12 Pray for those from **Duke Street Church** who are going on youth camps – that the Lord would persuade them to follow Jesus wholeheartedly. Pray for **A Passion for Life** as they prepare for their Evangelism Conference, with two physical locations and regional hubs across the UK.
- 13 **Iden Green Congregational Church** has held a number of outreach events in which quite a few locals have heard the gospel. Pray for fruit from these events and from next term's toddler group. Pray too for the Lord to provide the church with a treasurer.

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- 14** **Grace Baptist Partnership** have more open doors for church planting and revitalisation than they do spiritually qualified and personally capable workers who are able and willing to walk through them. Pray that God will raise many such men up to meet these gospel needs.
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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** Join **Frontiers** in giving thanks for an amazing weekend of Scripture and prayer in July, and for over 50 of the young people exploring serving God in the Muslim world. Pray for them and for the mission coaches with their ongoing engagement with them.
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- 27** **100Fold** are often asked about the availability of resources in a particular language for a specific country. Pray as they develop a platform to simplify categorisation and delivery of their thousands of audio, video and text-based resources.
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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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