Daily Prayer Guide April 2022



1st April

Father we continue to remember in prayer the people of Ukraine. We pray for those displaced from their homes and their families because of the war. We pray for those who have lost loved ones, may you bring comfort to all who mourn at this time.

2nd April

Lord Jesus we thank you that you give rest to the weary. We pray today for teachers, pupils and support staff who may will be starting their Easter break. Would you give rest to those who are worn-out and refreshment for those who are struggling.

3rd April

We give thanks that we are able to gather together today as church family together. We pray particularly for Lisa Holmes as she preaches in Queen's Park Baptist Church and we also pray for the induction of Rev Bob Baxter at Ayr Baptist Church. God we pray that both will know your presence and power with them.

4th April

Stuart Murdoch (*Chaplain, Strathcarron Hospice*) - Please pray for all the staff in the Hospice as we continue to support families during Covid. Demand for Chaplaincy Support continues to increase as well as the complexities to support patients, families and staff. Pray for wisdom to know how to respond to those complex and individual needs. Our part-time Chaplain has just retired and we are currently in a recruitment process. Please pray that will know God's leading through this process.

5th April

Cornton Baptist Church , Stirling – We give thanks to God that he has kept us united as a family over the past two years and that we have welcomed in some new faces during this time as well. We also give thanks for two recent baptismal services when a young lady and three young men gave testimony to God's saving grace in their lives. Please pray with us as we consider what it is to be returning, rebuilding, renewing and refocusing after the pandemic. Pray for wisdom for the leaders as they seek to lead the church forward.

6th April

Lord Jesus we thank you for all the countries helping Ukrainian refugees find food, shelter and safety. We give thanks for the Baptist churches in Europe who are helping with the efforts to support refugees. May you provide all the resources required as they provide hospitality to those who need help.

7th April

Cowal Baptist Church, Dunoon – Lord Jesus we pray for the church family at Cowal Baptist in Dunoon as they continue to serve you and worship you in their local area. May you bless the church members this week as they live and work in their community.

8th April

Cowdenbeath Baptist Church – Please pray for Cowdenbeath BC as we re-establish various ministries that ceased due to Covid.

The Baptist Union of Scotland is a charitable company limited by guarantee registered in Scotland Registered Office: 48Speirs Wharf,Glasgow, G4 9TH Company Number: SC620266 Registered Scottish Charity Number: SC049047 Pray especially for our mums and toddlers group; for new innovations in youth work and up-coming summer programmes. We value prayer for wisdom as we re-evaluate current ministries and look to God for the future.

9th April

Al Nicoll (*RAF Chaplain*) - Please pray for my ministry to the personnel serving in UK Permanent Joint Headquarters, during what is a very busy period across the world. Please pray for me as I support the deployed chaplains from the Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force during their operational tours of duty, spread from the South Atlantic, through Europe, to the Middle East and beyond.

10th April

Father, as we come to our final Watch and Pray prayer gathering tonight, we pray that you would ignite a fire within our churches and our communities in Scotland. We long to see more people come to know Jesus in these days. Come Lord Jesus!

11th April

Crieff Baptist Church - We thank the Lord for the faithfulness of our few members and friends through the difficulties of the past few months, for those who have recently joined us and for the help provided via BUS and Perth Baptist. Please pray for us as we seek the Lord's pathway going forward and get to know the shape of our future ministry in this area.

12th April

We pray during Holy Week that Jesus will be made known to those who have not yet come to faith. Help us Lord to share the hope that we have in you with others in our local communities.

13th April

CBC Baptist Church, Glasgow - We give thanks for the church family at CBC Community Church in Glasgow. Lord, as they worship and witness in their local community we pray that you would give them opportunities to share the gospel with others.

14th April

Crown Terrace Baptist Church, Aberdeen - We give thanks to God for the new people from diverse backgrounds coming around the church and Pop Up Cafe, especially a group of Iranian Christians who are being accommodated in Aberdeen while their asylum applications are being processed. We pray for our ongoing work with the homeless on Friday evenings and the developing work among the seekers of asylum currently in Aberdeen.

15th April

As we look to the Cross today we remember you Jesus, the Lamb who was slain for us, and we give thanks that you laid down your life for us to take away our sins. We pray for churches across Scotland marking Good Friday in their communities, that it will be a time of reflection as well as an opportunity to share the good news of Jesus with others.

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16th April

Lord, on this day of waiting and watching, when we embrace the uncomfortable silence between the sadness of the darkest day and the dawn of resurrection light and victory, help us in our waiting to be still as we anticipate the victory to come.

17th April

Lord Jesus on this Resurrection Day we give thanks for the hope that we have in Your resurrection and we celebrate Your victory over death and the powers of darkness. We pray that this Easter people across Scotland will come to know this resurrection hope for themselves.

18th April

Hillary Nyika (Chaplain, HMP Polmont) - Pray for God's peace and comfort to be upon all who are in prison. Pray for vulnerable individuals struggling with a sense rejection, forgiveness, guilty, shame and unworthiness that they may know and experience the power of God's love, grace, hope and forgiveness. Pray for all prison staff and chaplains for their health, safety and protection.

19th April

Culduthel Christian Centre, Inverness - We give thanks for the church community at Culduthel Christian Centre in Inverness. We pray for the church coffee shop as well as the various ministries that the church has going on throughout the week. We pray that these ministries will be a bridge from the community into church life.

20th April

Father we give thanks that we are called to work together with brothers and sisters in other churches across Scotland. We pray for Martin Hodson has he attends the Scottish Church Leaders' Meeting today. We pray that it would be a helpful time of listening and sharing together.

21st April

Lord Jesus we pray today for those who feel empty and spiritually dry at the moment. Come and refresh the weary heart and bring spiritual nourishment to those who need a fresh taste of you - for you are the Bread of Life.

22nd April

Culloden-Balloch Baptist Church - We give thanks for the faithfulness of the church fellowship in the Culloden and Balloch area near Inverness. Lord Jesus we pray that you would pour out your Spirit on the worshippers there, that they will experience your power and presence with them.

23rd April

Cumbernauld Baptist Church - Please pray for us at Cumbernauld Baptist as we continue to look for a minister. We are grateful to the SBLPA for their willingness to speak at our services. We are seeking God's guidance on the road ahead and would value prayers from our Baptist friends that we recognise where God is leading us.

24th April

Rebekah Sharp (Chaplain, Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow) - We thank you for the work of chaplains as they seek to comfort and support those in hospital as well as clincal staff and family members. We pray for Rebekah as she seeks to support people at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

25th April

Cupar Baptist Church - Father we thank you for Cupar Baptist as they seek to be a 'Christian witness for the heart of Cupar'. May you give them wisdom and discernment as they seek to follow where you lead them as a church at this time.

26th April

We give you thanks God that as Christians you call us to keep on learning throughout our lives. We pray today for the CMD Workshops on Developing Microchurches and Leading a Team. We pray for all those involved in leading the workshops as well as those who will be attending.

27th April

We give thanks for the Trustees and Council Members serving our Baptist network. We pray for the Council as they meet in Perth today and tomorrow. We pray for discernment for the group and fruitfulness in their discussions. We also pray for the Trustees as they meet together before Council starts.

28th April

Dalbeattie Baptist Church – God, we give thanks for the fellowship at Dalbeattie Baptist and pray that you would give them boldness as they share their faith with others in the community.

29th April

Father God we thank you that you meet us on the mountain top as well as in the valley. Wherever we are today Lord, meet us there - whether in joy or in pain. Help us to praise you Lord in every season of life.

30th April

Dalkeith Baptist Church, Edinburgh - We pray for Dalkeith Baptist Church in Edinburgh as they seek to be salt and light to their local community. We pray for renewed energy and creativity as the church ministers and witnesses in the town.

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