

Daily Prayer Guide March 2022



1st March

We pray God that you will bless the BUS Council taking place online tonight. May you give our Council members guidance, clarity and unity as they meet and represent our churches across Scotland.

2nd March

As we enter the period of Lent and journey towards Easter, may we keep watch and pray. May we carve out quiet time to 'steal away to Jesus' and allow Him to speak to our hearts, minds and souls. Speak Lord, for your servants are listening.

3rd March

Give thanks for the work of the NHS and the dedicated staff providing life-saving treatment to many people. Pray for the NHS workers in your local area who may be struggling with heavy workloads. Pray that solutions can be found to ease the burdens on both vital services and NHS staff.

4th March

Today is the World Day of Prayer. We give thanks that people from all nations can be united in prayer for each other, remembering those who are persecuted for their faith and praying for those who don't know Jesus.

5th March

George Hunter (PT Chaplain, MHA Auchlochan; PT Chaplain HM Forces) - Father we give thanks for George and his chaplaincy to the retirement village at Auchlochan in Lanarkshire. We pray that you will give him wisdom and compassion in his role there. We also pray that you would bless George in his role as an HM Forces Chaplain, may he know your presence in his conversations with the Army personnel and their families.

6th March

Father, we give thanks that every day is Your day, but we especially pray a blessing on all our churches as they meet together to worship you today. We pray particularly for BUS team member Lisa Holmes who will be preaching in and worshipping with East Mains BC this morning. We pray they will have a blessed time together.

7th March

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

8th March

Father God we give thanks for Police Scotland and the men and women who serve as officers or other Police personnel across our nation. We pray that you would protect them as they seek to bring peace and justice in our land.

9th March

Carlisle (Kirkstyle) BC - Thank you God for the work and witness of Carlisle Baptist. We pray a blessing on the work with those in difficult circumstances and for the Centre of Hope which looks to support people and journey with them.

10th March

Father God we pray for churches and organisations involved in working with children and at risk adults, that you would help us to protect the vulnerable from harm. We pray today for the Continuing Ministerial Development workshop on the very important topic of Safeguarding Children and At Risk Adults, taking place in Stirling and online.

11th March

Carnoustie BC - We are thankful for the work God is doing among our church family and the growth in faith and maturity we are seeing; and that we have had lots of interest in our restarted Toddler group. Please pray for God's ongoing provision for our building project; we have planning permission and approval from building control and are seeking God for the finances to start work soon.

12th March

Father God we thank you for spring - a season which brings new life after the dormancy of winter. Lord we pray for new life springing up, not just in your creation but also in our churches and in many hearts across this nation turning to You.

13th March

John Jamieson (Army Chaplain) - Lord God we give thanks for the Chaplains who serve in the Armed Forces, bringing support and a listening ear. We pray for John Jamieson today as he seeks to support Army personnel and their families.

14th March

Castlehill Baptist Church, Glasgow - We are praising God for the provision of a place to meet since we cannot get into our usual school hall. It is wonderful to be face to face again. Please pray that normal access will be granted to us soon so that we can progress our plans for a Family Worker in 2022.

15th March

Father we give thanks for your word and story found in the Bible, which points us to the Word of Life - Jesus Christ himself. As we meditate on your word today, we pray that you would illuminate the Scripture text and speak to us through it.

16th March

Castlemilk Community Church, Glasgow - Please pray with us for our small congregation (20 members) to grow! Pray too for our furniture ministry, providing furniture and household goods to those in their first flat with nothing. Pray for our integration group for refugees recently arrived in Scotland, providing English classes and other activities, which has continued despite the pandemic. Pray for our volunteers and those we serve.

17th March

We give thanks for all the UK nations. We pray for Wales as they have recently celebrated their national day and, on St Patrick's Day today, we pray for the people of Ireland and give thanks for the rich heritage of Christian witness in Ireland and pray for an outpouring of God in Ireland again in these days.

18th March

Cathcart Baptist Church, Glasgow - Lord Jesus we pray for the church family at Cathcart Baptist as they continue to serve you and worship you in their local area within Glasgow. May you bless the church as they reach out to the community through the Mens' Shed and other activities.

19th March

Lord God we thank you that you have made us in Your image and that just as you are creative, we have been gifted creativity too. We pray for those in our churches who shine the light of Jesus in their creativity - for poets and painters, for wood-turners and worship-song makers, for crafters and yummy cake bakers!

20th March

Gordon Jones (Lead Chaplain, NHS Orkney) - Please pray that I would be blessed with grace, wisdom, and good health as I seek to continue to serve and bless others. Please pray for the health and wellbeing of my family. Please give thanks for the good reputation of NHS Orkney's healthcare chaplaincy service.

21st March

Father God we thank you for the Apostle Peter's boldness in stepping out of the boat. We pray today that we might share in that boldness and that as you call us out of the boat and into the unknown, we might trust you and keep our eyes on you, whatever you might call us to do for you.

22nd March

Central, Edinburgh - We praise God for how he has been with us throughout the pandemic. Please pray that our new Sunday rhythms help our church grow as disciples and that others would come to know Jesus as we give space to sharing the Good News.

23rd March

Father we thank you for the spiritual gifts you give us, that we can use to bless and serve the body of Christ in our churches. Thank you that we are all needed as part of the body of your church and that everyone has a part to play. Lord help us to play our part well.

24th March

City Gates, Edinburgh - We give thanks for God's provision as we renovated our building and for the faithful commitment of our fellowship. Please pray as we step out in faith seeking a Youth worker and that we will bring the love of God into the lives of our community in real and practical ways.

25th March

Cleland Baptist Church - We give God thanks for the faithful ministry we have received from the various speakers throughout the year and for bringing into fellowship two new members. Sadly during the pandemic two important Reach Out ministries have ceased. Pray that God will bring a way to re-start this important work.

26th March

Lord we pray today for the many Renew Wellbeing Cafes and similar initiatives in our churches, which look to provide a safe space for people to be if they are struggling a bit and not feeling ok in themselves. Thank you for these spaces and the volunteers who seek to create a restful environment for people to meet, chat and have a cuppa together.

27th March

Jarod Meenan (Chaplain, NHS Healthcare Aberdeen) - Winter will have passed but already, as I write just a few days before Christmas, many staff are extremely tired and stretched beyond their expectations! For all staff: please pray for continued strength to care deeply for others, alongside the practice of self-care, flowing from a growing awareness of God's love for all. For the Chaplaincy Team: please pray we, too, will be strengthened in the knowledge of God's love and be creative and flexible in supporting one another as well as patients, relatives and staff.

28th March

Coastline Community Church, Pittenweem - We are thankful to the Lord for His faithfulness over 2021. We have seen new folk come be part of the family & our community support work over Covid has given us a deeper community presence. We would ask for wisdom and practical support as we plan ahead to deepen these community & church family relationships.

29th March

Father we give thanks that we can learn from others as well as help others. We pray today for Martin Hodson as he represents our network at the Baptists Together (BUGB) Council. May you bless the gathering and provide wisdom for the discussions.

30th March

Coatbridge Baptist Church - We give thanks for the ministry of our most recent pastor Gilmour and his wife Kathryn, who retired at the beginning of November following twenty years ministry in Coatbridge. We are thankful for those in the church family who are taking on new responsibilities at this time. Please pray for unity in the fellowship at this time and for God's leading through this time of vacancy.

31st March

Collydean Baptist Church, Glenrothes - Father we give thanks for the church family at Collydean Baptist as they seek to be your hands and feet in their community. May you bless the church members this week as they gather together.