Daily Prayer Guide May 2021

1st May

We pray today for the global climate crisis. Lord show us all the ways we can do our part to live lightly and freely on this earth you have entrusted to our care. We pray for the United Nations Climate Conference due to take place in Glasgow in November, that this would stimulate change within the world and action to tackle this global issue.

2nd May

Rebekah Sharp-Bastekin (Chaplain, Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow) - Please pray for Rebekah and the work of the chaplaincy team at the Queen Elizabeth hospital in Glasgow as they seek to support patients, their families and the staff at the hospital.

3rd May

Dalbeattie BC - We give thanks for the Baptist church in Dalbeattie and pray that they would know God's presence with them as they meet together and witness to the community.

4th May

Please pray for the Accreditation Conference taking place online today, as candidates finish their three year accreditation journey with a final interview. Pray that despite being online, that these meetings will result in wise discernment and be helpful to both the candidates and panel.

5th May

Father thank you for the resources that you give to us and help us to be good stewards of these gifts. We pray for the ministry development workshop for church treasurers being held tomorrow night, that it would be a help and support to treasurers as they faithfully seek to steward church resources.

6th May

Father God we pray as Scottish people go to the polls today, that no matter which political party wins the election, that something of your justice, mercy and goodness would be seen flowing in this land. We pray for fair policies and plans, which provide equity, provision and the ability to flourish for all.

7th May

Dalkeith BC - We give thanks to God for the encouraging weekly fellowship we are able to maintain through technology, as we wait-out the Coronavirus storm at a distance from one another. Please pray for us as we begin to consider how we might best 'reset' post virus, and move on in ministry in the pursuit of God's glory.

8th May

Dedridge BC - We thank God for preserving a strong spiritual bond between us as a family through on-line study, prayer, book club, Alpha and social evenings. We are particularly conscious of

this given early anxieties about more senior folk mastering the technology. Please pray for the families that have lost loved ones to Covid, and other illnesses. The present climate with its restrictions has made their passing all the more difficult to bear

9th May

David Vogan (Chaplain, Nethenvale and The Retreat, MHA Auchlochan) - Please pray today for David Vogan as he seeks to support, strengthen and provide spiritual comfort, via phone, to residents and staff as much as he is able to during this Covid-19 crisis.

10th May

Dennistoun BC - We are thankful that despite the challenges of lockdown God has been growing his church in Dennistoun and bringing us together for prayer more than ever before. Do pray that as we are about to purchase a new building in the area of Riddrie and as reach out into this new area, we would be equipped in every way for this exciting next step as a church.

11th May

Denny BC - We give God thanks for his continued faithfulness and guidance over the past year. We would value your prayers for our recent appointment of our Interim Minister and the help and support he will give to the church. We would also appreciate your prayers for the leaders and our fellowship as we seek to serve God here in Denny.

12th May

We pray for Martin Hodson as he leads a ministry development workshop today on Leading Change in Community. May it be a stimulating and encouraging time for those attending.

13th May

We thank you for the gift of new life and we pray for the babies born during the pandemic. We pray for new mums and dads who have perhaps not had the support they would have had due to the restrictions. We pray for the babies and toddlers who will have to learn to interact with other people as we continue to come out of restrictions.

14th May

Dingwall BC - We pray for the church family of Dingwall Baptist as they meet together to worship God and serve the local community in different ways.

15th May

We give you thanks that you have created us to be social beings who like to be in community. We give thanks for the continued easing of Covid-19 restrictions and we pray Lord that this would help many people to feel less isolated and lonely.

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16th May

Chris Withers (Army Chaplain, Ripon) - Please pray for Chris as he journeys with the recruits in the barracks in Ripon and as he seeks to listen, support and encourage them. Pray for opportunities to be able to share the gospel with the recruits.

17th May

We give thanks for church leadership teams and ministers today as they have worked hard over this season to give pastoral support and direction to their congregation. We pray that you would bless leaders and may they know today refreshment for their souls.

18th May

Drumchapel BC - Please pray for the church fellowship in Drumchapel as they seek to be salt and light to their community at this time.

19th May

God we thank you for the vaccine for Covid-19 and the protection it is bringing to the most vulnerable in our society. However, we pray against those who are intent on trying to prey on the vulnerable with many different scams at this time. God shine your light on these crimes and bring forth your justice.

20th May

Dumbarton BC - Please pray for Dumbarton Baptist as they reach out to their community with the love of Jesus. Pray for wisdom and guidance for the church as they witness during this season of restriction due to the pandemic.

21st May

We pray today for young people who would normally be sitting exams at this point in the year and who are instead hoping that they will get the grades they require from their coursework. We pray for school pupils who might be anxious about this and ask that they would know something of your peace, Lord.

22nd May

Please pray for our Convenor as she represents our Union at the Church of Scotland Assembly this week. Please pray for the online Assembly and the discussion and decisions that will be taken during the week.

23rd May

As we celebrate Pentecost today, we give you thanks God for the power of the Holy Spirit living within us, transforming us and giving us boldness to share our faith in Jesus.

24th May

Dumfries BC - In recent weeks, lockdown, coupled with the deaths of a number of our church family, one of which to Covid19, has been a blow to us all. We are living out Romans 12:15 and 'mourning with those who mourn', but not without hope! Please pray for those who are mourning the loss of loved ones.

25th May

We pray for the ministry development workshop taking place online today, which is looking at the Problem of Power in Pastoral Relationships. Please pray for those that are attending the workshop as well as those leading it.

26th May

Dumfries BC - In the midst of this we are encouraged through our virtual online activities and services. We are particularly excited about our Alpha and Christianity Explored courses as well as the Church Centre Sports Hall being used as a Vaccination Centre. Give thanks that we can bear witness to Jesus through this activities.

27th May

Duncan Street BC - We praise God that He has blessed us in many ways over the past 12 months through the preaching, praying and ministering of the fellowship. Pray that He would help us to love the people in our communities well and that we'd faithfully live and speak that message of hope that we find in Jesus.

28th May

Dundee Central BC - We give thanks to God for continued growth and two Christianity Explored courses. But it has been a very difficult phase pastorally with a number in the church family suffering loss during these lock down days.

29th May

Dunfermline West BC - We give thanks for finally being able to hold a Baptismal Service on Sunday 20th December 2020 prior to this lockdown. It was a long wait for our candidate and we celebrated with him. Having recently leased a piece of land from Fife Council to be used as a Community Garden and church car park, we would value prayer as we seek God's will and plan how to use this to reach out to our local community through various events.

30th May

Give thanks for the men and women who often work in dangerous situations as firefighters across Scotland. Please pray for God's protection and guidance as they tackle fires. Pray also for safety for the teams sent out to tackle moorland fires over the summer months.

31st May

Dunoon BC - We give thanks for the people in the fellowship at Dunoon Baptist and pray God's rich blessing on the church as they meet to worship and serve God in the town.