WEEK 10 DCM Dublin Christian Mission

<u>Day 1</u> A new operations manager, **Dave Gardner**, took up the role at the end of February, and has been settling in well. Give thanks and pray for him - he has a heart for the city and is passionate about enabling front line discipleship and developing people to reach their full potential in what God has for them and his kingdom.

<u>Day 2</u> The All Rise Café at Chancery Place is going well with a great team; pray for **John, David, Cadence, Martin** and **Lucy** who serve faithfully. Youth club team **Anto, Leanne** and **Killian** are focusing on the fruit of the Spirit with the Kids Club each week.

<u>Day 3</u> Pray for the ongoing work among older young people, going through the 'Rise' programme. This looks at leadership from a biblical perspective. The aim is that the young people rise up and follow Jesus' example, becoming positive role models/leaders.

<u>Day 4</u> Praise God that the Lighthouse drop-in centre continues to be a beacon of hope and a welcoming safe refuge for those in need. Please pray for all those who lead and serve at the Lighthouse each night, whether welcoming at the gate, helping at the stove, sorting clothes or even cleaning toilets.

Day 5 The Lighthouse now works in partnership with Tiglin, a charity for the homeless in the Republic of Ireland that helps people overcome their addictions and other life controlling issues. Together they serve over 2,000 meals a week. Ask the Lord to continue to bless this partnership with much fruit, as many seek and find the Saviour who gives life in all its fullness. Day 6 May our Heavenly Father grant each member of these teams in their varying roles His grace, wisdom and guidance, as they serve through DCM in ministry to the disadvantaged, troubled, addicted, lonely and spiritually needy of Dublin City. Above all, may Jesus be on the throne and be glorified, as lives are changed.

The Prayer Cycle is a 6-day 10-week cycle for use from September—December.

We hope this will help us to pray each week for one of the missions we support.

After 10 weeks, please continue to use the cycle to pray for missions of your choice.











Our Mission Links

UFM - Linda Millar

Scripture Union - Bryan & Carole Suitters

Donabate PCI - Beth McFarland

Presbyterian Children's Society - Iris Craig

Florence Project - Rev Eddie Chestnutt

OMF International - Beth McFarland

Tearfund - Alison Fulton

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Mission Partners Prayer Cycle

September - December 2024











WEEK 1 United for Mission UFM

<u>Day 1</u> David Morrow, UFM Irish Director, gives thanks for a profitable time on Sabbatical. He visited mission partners in Bangkok and Bulgaria. He volunteered with 100Fold; pray, as he now commits one day weekly to this digital gospel ministry. Pray, as he organizes the Autumn Conference. Pray for discernment in talking to those enquiring about service.

<u>Day 2</u> Andy & Rachel, Claremorris, Co. Mayo. Praise God for all the outreach work this summer, and for growth in the church. Pray that others contacted might start attending. Pray for the Children's and Youth work that many young people will become Christians. Pray that the plans for renovating the purchased building might progress smoothly.

<u>Day 3</u> Stephen & Linda, Uganda, Kiwoko Hospital. Praise God for a good home deputation. Pray that we would balance well and to God's glory routines for the varied ministries, home schooling and family priorities here in Uganda. Pray for the various outreaches among the hospital staff and that God will supply all the finance needed for the hospital.

<u>Day 4</u> Ben & Esther, Moldova. Give thanks for Ben's residency permit for another year. Pray that all our permits will be granted soon. Praise God also that Reuben and Simeon have settled well in school. Ask for continued progress in language skills. Pray for God's wisdom in every decision in setting up the fifth house for disabled men. Pray that we will be good witnesses in our village, Truseni.

<u>Day 5</u> Justin & Lisa, 100Fold Digital Publishing & Internet ministry. Give thanks that a partner in S. Asia has requested a large number of Mustard Seed chips with a digital library of eBooks and audio books. Pray that this material will help equip pastors to teach God's Word. Pray for continued opportunities to send Gospel chips to countries with no Gospel witness.

<u>Day 6</u> Lamin & Jayne, Sierra Leone. Praise God for Jayne's fruitful deputation, and for good medical attention for Theo in NI. Pray for Theo's ongoing health problems. Pray for unity in the leadership team at Grace Community Church, for the Kids club and for the prison visitation; there is a great hunger for the Gospel and Bible teaching.

WEEK 2 Scripture Union SUNI

<u>Day 1</u> We give thanks for <u>Eve McMullan</u>, Ballymena Area Schools Worker, and continue to pray for the Lord's grace for her in all she does. Pray also for <u>Ruth</u>, the new intern, as she starts in the middle of September. Pray that God would grow her, challenge her, and use her gifts and talents greatly in His service.

<u>Day 2</u> Give thanks for the summer of SUNI Camps and Missions, and for the volunteers involved. Pray that the thousands of children who heard God's Good News would come to trust in Jesus.

<u>Day 3</u> Pray for the continuing work taking School Assemblies and SU groups, that God would draw children to Himself, and enable those who have trusted Him to grow in their faith.

<u>Day 4</u> *Making Your Mark* takes place on 5th October in Windsor Baptist Church, enabling young people from across NI to be equipped and encouraged to live for Christ in the coming year. Pray for God to work on the day, and through these young people in this new school year.

<u>Day 5</u> This term, SUNI is focusing on investing in our existing SU groups and helping schools start up new ones. There are already plans to start a new SU group in one of our Primary Schools. Pray for wisdom, blessing and good relationships and that doors into other new schools would open.

<u>Day 6</u> SU is prioritising training those who do Schools Ministry in our area. RE training was held for over 70 teachers from 12 different schools in Ballymena, and also more recently training in leading assemblies on Friday 13th September. Give thanks for these programmes and pray for fruitfulness and God's ongoing blessing, as the lessons learned are applied.

WEEK 3 Christians Against Poverty CAP

<u>Day 1</u> Ballymena Baptist celebrated 12 years of CAP in May. Praise God for those who have been freed from the burden of debt and come to know Christ as their Saviour; pray that more would experience the blessing of financial and spiritual freedom.

<u>Day 2</u> As the cost of living remains very high, pray that decision-makers would be granted wisdom in shaping policies that affect our economy. Ask that they would have compassion and empathy for those affected by debt and poverty.

<u>Day 3</u> Nearly a fifth of CAP's clients struggle to afford to heat their homes. As we approach winter, pray for warm spaces to be available in local communities and churches, and for a continued spirit of generosity and compassion from individuals and organisations.

<u>Day 4</u> Pray for John Maxwell, Ballymena CAP Centre Manager, who continues to recover from an accident earlier this year. Ask that he would be completely healed from his injuries and pray for him as he leads CAP Money Coaching sessions in Ballymena this autumn and winter.

<u>Day 5</u> Give thanks that last year 2,292 people became debt free with CAP's support. Pray that they would retain their financial freedom and independence for life. Pray also that they would share the money management skills they have learnt with others. Ask that each of these people and their families would also experience freedom from sin.

<u>Day 6</u> Remember those in the Harryville area who are struggling with their finances.

Pray for the *Heart for Harryville* committee, asking that God would give them opportunities to provide practical and spiritual support to those in need and through this to build relationships with those in our community.

WEEK 4 OMF International

<u>Day 1</u> Peter and Christine Rowan have stepped down ahead of schedule as UK National Directors (due, end of 2024). They are on compassionate leave, while Peter has chemotherapy. May the Lord graciously grant healing and restoration. Please pray that the ND position will soon be filled. Pray for **Nathaniel Jennings** and the other directors covering the role for now, along with their other ministries.

<u>Day 2</u> John and Emiri Orme are settled back in Japan. Praise God for the positive time of farewells from Kanagi Chapel where they served before. Give thanks for the Lord's leading to a new city, Morioka, a new home, church, and new schools for Anna and Noah. Pray for much blessing, as they begin their daunting task as sector leaders of 25 gospel workers (16 September).

<u>Day 3</u> Please pray for the Spirit to work in power at the OMF Ireland conference on Saturday 19th October at Dunsilly. Workers will share about various ministries among East Asians. Ask the Lord to send new workers into His harvest fields. Pray for **Chris Keiller**, Ireland Rep, as he journeys with several people exploring God's call.

<u>Day 4</u> Give thanks for H who is settling into her second term, teaching at an international school in a Muslim context in E Asia. H rejoices in the warm welcome given to her. Pray that the Lord will use her friendship to point local people to Jesus, the True Prophet and Messiah.

<u>Day 5</u> Wilson and Irene McMahon (First Antrim) are on Home Assignment until January 2025, while Irene completes her PhD studies in leadership. Pray, as they share their vision to work alongside Philippines Christian leaders with a heart to pioneer church-planting in locations still untouched by the Gospel.

<u>Day 6</u> Pray for **Ho Meas** (from Cambodia) and his wife **Laura-Jane** (Banbridge), invited by a supporting church in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, to speak at a Missions Conference from 15-18 October. Ask the Lord to fulfill His church's longing to see 100 Christian leaders inspired and sent out into the harvest fields of East Asia and beyond.

Jesus said.

'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few.'
Matthew 9:37

WEEK 5 Donabate Presbyterian Church

<u>Day 1</u> Thank God for the summer months where attendances stayed strong and for the new season of activities starting again. Praise and thank God for the summer "Discovery Clubs" for children in both Donabate and Balbriggan, run by our own church teams, where we met some new families. Pray that this will lead to them becoming part of the church family.

<u>Day 2</u> Praise and thank God for answered prayer – especially for a number of people connected to our church family who have recovered better than expected from serious illness.

<u>Day 3</u> Ask God for healing for several people dealing with the impact of cancer treatment along with the uncertainty and anxiety that brings. May they, along with their loved ones, sense the Lord's presence and peace to be very real in their time of need.

<u>Day 4</u> Ask God for guidance for our leaders as we seek to deepen the faith and commitment of our two congregations, especially those who are on the fringes of our activities.

<u>Day 5</u> Continue to pray for the ministry team, led by **Rev** Andy Carroll, pastor and Bible teacher, along with his wife Victoria and family, **Reuben**, **Joseph** and **Martha**. Pray for the continued filling and equipping of the Holy Spirit for Rev Andy, as he serves in all the varied aspects of church life, both in Donabate and Balbriggan.

<u>Day 6</u> Ask for guidance as we seek to appoint an Associate Minister to lead the Balbriggan church family, and provide a suitable house for their family.

Please continue to pray for **Josh McCance**, the community outreach worker, who is currently leading the Balbriggan church family under the guidance of Rev Andy. Pray for Josh as he works towards completing his studies for the ministry.

Most of our mission partners produce their own regular detailed prayer materials. Why not sign up to become a prayer partner for a mission or a missionary family that you have a particular interest in? Ask the Mission Committee for details..

<u>WEEK 6</u> Presbyterian Children's Society PCS

<u>Day 1</u> Pray that families, on low incomes, will not feel embarrassed to seek help from the Society especially as the winter months approach. Pray that grants will be processed quickly especially for the provision of fuel to heat and light homes so that no child or young adult will live in a cold environment.

<u>Day 2</u> Give thanks for the continued existence of the Society and for the willingness of individuals and churches for their continued financial support enabling Presbyterian families, with children, to have a lifeline to funds, when unexpected difficulties occur.

<u>Day 3</u> Pray that we, as a congregation and as individuals, will be challenged to help those in need and that we may play a part to make church a place of generosity and help for those in need both financially, socially and spiritually.

<u>Day 4</u> Pray for those who have low paid employment who are faced with an unexpected outlay such as the breakdown of an item such as a fridge or oven or an unusually high utility bill; ask that they will feel able to request help from the Society through their local Presbyterian church. Pray that families, who are just over the limit for the payment of the Winter Fuel Payment, may obtain support from the Society.

<u>Day 5</u> Pray that the practical help of the Society will be recognized by those families receiving financial aid. May they know that Christians care not only for their physical and mental well-being but spiritual as well. Pray that because of this some will accept Jesus as their Saviour.

<u>Day 6</u> Give thanks for the commitment of the Board of Governors as they make decisions for the smooth running of the Society. Also give thanks for the administrative team who work diligently in the day to day running of the Society:

Jason Nicholson Executive Secretary

Valerie Henry Finance and Administration Officer
Amy Boyd Grants and Administration Officer

Angela Magill Administration Officer

WEEK 7 Tearfund

<u>Day 1</u> Give thanks for Tearfund's vital work through local churches in 50 of the most poverty stricken countries in the world. Their objective is to support whole life transformation, alleviation from physical poverty, but also promoting the spiritual, emotional and social flourishing of individuals and their communities.

<u>Day 2</u> Please continue to pray for the ongoing conflict in Gaza and Israel which has brought immense suffering to people in the region. Remember the Tearfund workers who are providing emergency aid and pray that God's love will be shown through them. Pray for healing, safety, an end to the violence and for lasting peace.

'What is impossible with man is possible with God.' (Luke 18)

<u>Day 3</u> Decades of conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo have caused millions of deaths. There has been an increase in violence this last year. Tragically, two Tearfund staff members, Jonas and John, were killed in June this year. Pray for their friends and families, that they would know God's comfort as they mourn. Pray for Tearfund's work promoting peace and reconciliation in the region.

<u>Day 4</u> Currently around 700 million people live without access to safe water, which exposes them to the risk of diarrhoea and other diseases. Pray for Tearfund, providing sustainable access to clean water, secure sanitation services and improved hygiene practices. Pray for protection from the dangers of unsafe water and a multiplying of Tearfund's work to improve community health and wellbeing.

<u>Day 5</u> Tearfund's campaign 'Transforming communities' is about revealing hope where things feel hopeless. They work to help local people facing crushing poverty to create lasting change themselves. Pray that through their work with local churches, they can empower communities to recognise challenges and release people's God-given potential to overcome them.

<u>Day 6</u> Give thanks for all the Tearfund representatives and their dedication to alleviate extreme poverty in some of the most vulnerable places on earth. Remember <u>Lois Bailie</u> who is Tearfund's church and supporter engagement lead in Northern Ireland. She supports churches throughout the country, and emphasizes the importance of prayer in her regular prayer groups and prayer ministries for Tearfund.

WEEK 8 The Florence Project

Day 1 Give thanks for **Pastor Davson**'s recent holiday to Brazil. He and the family spent most of July and August back in their native land. They had the opportunity to attend a wedding and spend time with members of their extended family. Pray that they will have been refreshed by this trip.

<u>Day 2</u> As the autumn time comes round once again, pray that **Davson**, **Neide**, and their children **Christian**, **Eduardo** and **Melissa** would be able to readjust to the routine of work and school. They are very busy and need the Lord's strength.

<u>Day 3</u> Davson has a great heart to see the lost of Florence come to know the Lord Jesus. He wants to build relationships with people so that he can influence them for Christ. Pray for the two groups of people who will be coming to his home this autumn. They come for food and for friendship, but also to hear about Jesus. Pray that many of them will come to living faith in Him.

<u>Day 4</u> Recently, Davson has become involved in translating Christian literature into Italian. This is time-consuming and demanding work. Ask the Lord to help him with this and also to enable him to find time for this work among all his other responsibilities.

<u>Day 5</u> Dayson is always eager to make the best use of new evangelistic opportunities. Ask the Lord to guide him as he thinks and prays about future outreach.

<u>Day 6</u> Pray that the little church in Florence would continue to be built up in love and in unity. Pray for growth in grace among the members. Pray that they will be a shining light in that great city.

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Many thanks to all of our members who contribute faithfully to OUR MONTHLY MISSION FUND ENVELOPE.

The total amount received annually to share with our ten mission agencies has decreased in recent years. Please consider giving to this fund, if you do not already do so, or even increasing your contributions, as you are able.

Week 9 Mission Aviation Fellowship MAF

<u>DAY 1</u> Praise God for continued faithfulness to MAF, giving thanks for answered prayer with additional new pilots and workers seeking to serve God in remote places. Pray they are greatly encouraged in the role to which they have been called, bringing much blessing to many. Pray for safety on all flights.

<u>DAY 2</u> Praise God, during a free, five-day eye clinic in Kenya, 295 people gained the precious gift of sight. MAF partnered with The Fred Hollows Foundation, Australian Aid and the County Government of Mandera. Pray for more of these lifechanging clinics to take place through this collaboration.

<u>DAY 3</u> Give thanks that MAF workers **Glenn** and **Julie-Anne Cousley** have bought a house, and moved in, mid-July. Pray for correct filling in of paperwork as they can now apply for Australian citizenship. Please pray for God's guidance in finding a new way forward to gain his European Aviation Safety Authority (EASA) licence, as Glenn has had negative feedback from the Irish authorities about his application.

DAY 4 Give thanks for Julie-Anne's first campus mission outreach in Emerald. Praise God for safe travel, growth in young team members, for witnessing, testimonies and devotions given. Give thanks also that Glenn has completed a week of short courses with Aviation Australia, Brisbane, to help move towards an Australian licence.

<u>DAY 5</u> Please pray for the critical fuel shortage in Papua New Guinea (PNG). This has led to a major price hike in fuel costs. More people depend on the lifeline MAF provides here than in any other country. Pray for this issue to be resolved quickly.

<u>DAY 6</u> Praise God for Christian Books Melanesia as they provide books published by Bilum Books. Made with the intention of being sharable and reuseable for students of all ages, these workbooks and guided workshops help teachers prepare and teach the PNG National Curriculum. MAF fund and deliver these teaching resources.

Pray that education and the future for children and their teachers living in isolated communities will be much improved.