

# Let's Pray

**Sun 29 December** 2024 - **Sat 4 January** 2025

### **Sunday 29 December**

- **Moderator** | Please remember the Moderator and his family as he reaches the halfway stage in his year of office. Pray for a time of rest and refreshment during the holiday period, and strength and stamina for the challenges and duties awaiting him in the new year.
- Worship: Praise and promise | "Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled". Psalm 65:1. As we enter a new year in worship, pray that our hearts will be filled with praise to God and that we would offer our lives afresh in rededication to him.

## **Monday 30 December**

- Naomi Leremore, global mission worker, Kenya | Pray for the work Naomi is engaged in for the Theological Education by Extension Department of the Presbyterian Church of East Africa. Pray that she may know the Holy Spirit's leading as she writes material to be used throughout the denomination. Pray for blessing and protection for the Leremore family.
- **PCI Partners** | Give thanks for the life and witness of churches, missions and agencies around the world with whom PCI is in partnership, and pray especially that they will be envisioned for new initiatives in the coming year. Pray for deepening of partnerships in the coming year as we seek to walk humbly with our brothers and sisters.

# **Tuesday 31 December**

- **Forces chaplains** | Pray for all our Forces chaplains, particularly those who are serving away from home at this time of year. Give thanks for their continued, faithful and sometimes hidden service.
- Clones, Stonebridge, Ballyhobridge and Newbliss | Give thanks to God for the recent Harvest Mission in the Clones Group of churches, starting with a visit by Rev Dr John Dixon to his home church of Ballyhobridge, and continuing with over a week of evangelistic services and events with various Faith Mission speakers. We thank God for well filled churches, good preaching, signs of response and encouragement for believers.

#### Wednesday 1 January

- Ilona and Csaba Veres, global mission workers, Hungary | Pray for Csaba and Ilona and the contacts they have made with families in the local community. Pray for wisdom as they seek not only to help in practical ways but also to share the love of Christ. Continue to pray for a venue to use as a church and for the funding required.
- **Myanmar** | Pray for PCI's partner the Presbyterian Church of Myanmar. Pray for the believers who are persecuted for their faith and the many displaced from their villages because of the ongoing conflict. Pray for wisdom for those in leadership.

#### **Thursday 2 January**

- **Blackrock and Bray** | Give thanks for the witness of these two congregations situated in the midst of the thriving communities of Blackrock and Bray. Pray for Rev Andrew Gill as he ministers there.
- Alan Duddy, community outreach worker, Glendermott | Give thanks for Alan's continued work in the local community.

  Please pray for the children and young people in Glendermott, particularly in the continued provision of Sunday school and recent welcome addition of a Breakfast Club in partnership with local schools.

#### **Friday 3 January**

- **Gray's Court** | *Gray's court complements the work of Carlisle House by providing longer term supported housing for those in the early stages of recovery from addiction. Pray for those in the early stages of their recovery. Pray that they will use their time in Gray's Court wisely as they try to build a new life. Pray that the holy Spirit will sustain them in a life free of substance misuse.*
- **The New Year** | As we begin this New Year, let's pray for our politicians and newly elected TDs. Give thanks for their work and service over the past year. Let's commit 2025 to the Lord and ask for his guidance and wisdom as we continue to engage in Public Affairs.

#### **Saturday 4 January**

- **General Council** | Pray for those who work in some of the support service departments in Assembly Buildings, remembering especially the IT department led by Steve McMurray and the Building and Conference department led by Raymond Robinson.
- Training in Ministry | Pray for staff and students at Union as they return from the Christmas break and begin a new semester of study. May they be encouraged in the Lord to press on in the strength that he gives them, whether they are working, studying, or training for service as ministers or deaconesses. May he enable them to do all for his glory.