

Let's Pray

Sun 30 August - Sat 5 September 2026

Sunday 30 August

- **Moderator** | *Pray for the Moderator as he conducts services in the Ards Presbytery today – in the morning at Cloughey and Greyabbey and in the evening as part of a Presbytery Prayer Service in Movilla PC. Pray that the congregations and members of Presbytery will be encouraged as they meet together and seek God's guiding and presence.*
- **Worship throughout the year: Pray for those who minister to children at Sunday worship** | *Give thanks for those who lead creche, Sunday school, children's church and other activities that engage children in the worship and teaching of the congregation on the Lord's Day. Ask that they will be enabled to help children feel included, worship and learn.*

Monday 31 August

- **Naomi Keefe, global mission worker, Brazil** | *Pray for Naomi currently on Home Assignment, that she would know the Lord's sustaining grace and much encouragement as she engages in a programme of deputation, sharing about what the Lord is doing in Brazil. Continue to pray for the ongoing work back in Brazil, including Reading in the Park, the Good News Club, and Coffee with God.*
- **Near East School of Theology (NEST)** | *Pray for Dr Martin Accad, President, along with the faculty team, as they seek to implement NEST's five-year strategic plan to train leaders to serve church communities throughout the Middle East region and beyond. Pray for the student body, both in-residence and online, especially those living and studying in a context of violent conflict and displacement.*

Tuesday 1 September

- **Dunfanaghy & Carrigart** | *Please pray for Rev Dario Leal and his family at this challenging time. Pray particularly for his son Keith, giving thanks for the critical medical care he has been receiving in recent weeks from healthcare staff in both Dublin and Manchester. Pray also for the congregations of Dunfanaghy and Carrigart during this time.*
- **Alan Duddy, community outreach worker, Glendermott** | *Give thanks for the work in which Alan is involved in Glendermott, particularly recent summer initiatives. Pray that he would be strengthened and encouraged as he builds relationships in the congregation and community.*

Wednesday 2 September

- **Stephen and Angelina Cowan, global mission workers, Kenya** | *Give thanks that the recently concluded Youth Camp went very well. Praise God for all involved in leading the camp, including a team from Waringstown congregation. Pray that through the Bible teaching, games and crafts, many young people will have heard the gospel and that God's Spirit will move in a way that bears much fruit.*
- **The Christian Church of Sumba, Indonesia (GKS)** | *Give thanks for 44th General Assembly of the GKS Synod which took place in early July with the theme, "Caring for life in the love of Christ". Pray for the church's leadership, including Rev Marlin Lomi, Moderator, and Rev Yakub M. Bili, General Secretary, as they work to implement the Assembly's decisions in regard to issues of poverty, injustice and environmental damage.*

Thursday 3 September

- **Rev Lindsay Blair, healthcare chaplain** | *Give thanks for every opportunity the Chaplaincy Team has to meet the spiritual needs of those who find themselves in hospital across the Western Trust. Pray for staff working under great pressure with limited resources and pray for God's help as chaplains share his love, hope and compassion with all they meet.*
- **Ballycastle** | *Pray for the congregation of Ballycastle during this time of vacancy. Give thanks for their recent outreach initiatives and pray that more people would be drawn to join them for worship. Pray for the process of identifying a minister to serve here, in conjunction with outreach work nearby.*

Friday 4 September

- **General Council** | *Pray for the work of the Financial Secretary's Department, led by Mr Ken Swarbrick, the Director of Operations. Pray for the accountants and administrative staff who oversee all of the General Council accounting functions, including the work in social care homes, Union College salaries, pensions and funds of the church.*
- **Training in Ministry** | *Give thanks for the work of the UTC Management Committee, and its convener, Very Rev Dr John Kirkpatrick. Pray for the decisions that must be taken by the Committee on finance, staffing and many other matters. Pray for wisdom in dealing with the complex regulatory requirements that are part of running the College.*

Saturday 5 September

- **Specialist Services** | *Give thanks for Rev Peter Bovill who has recently taken on the role of convener of Specialist Services. Give thanks for Peter's drive and faithfulness to the Council and the commitment that he gives to the work of the social witness of our Church. Pray for our members that they may feel valued in their role and in the decision making for the vision and work of the Council for Social Witness.*
- **Government** | *Pray for MLAs and TDs as they prepare to return following Summer Recess. Pray for the incoming parliamentary season that these elected representatives would display good leadership and make a positive impact representing their local communities.*