

Daily Prayer Guide

February 2019



1st February – Bellshill BC

Thank God for the provision of faithful preachers Sunday by Sunday over the past year, during our vacancy. Please pray for God's guidance and wisdom for the fellowship at Bellshill and pray for the Pastor of God's choosing for Bellshill. Please remember the leadership of the church at this time.

2nd February – Bellshill BC

Please continue to remember the outreach from the church, in particular the work of the cafe. We thank God for the gospel message that goes outreach week at the cafe. Please pray that souls may be saved through this word.

3rd February

Please pray for Jim Purves who will be preaching in both Aberdeen Christian Fellowship and Portlethen Christian Fellowship today.

4th February – Marion Carson (Pastoral Support Coordinator, Glasgow City mission)

Pray for those in the midst of asylum seeking procedures as we try to support them through this long and difficult process. Pray for those who use the night shelter, which is open from December to March, and for staff and volunteers who work there. Pray for wisdom as I divide my time amongst the various groups which take place during the week.

5th February – Bo'ness BC

Please pray for our "taste and see lunch" every Monday at noon where anyone is welcome to enjoy food and a short devotion from God's word. We would also value prayer during our vacancy that our Lord would continue to bless us and encourage our hearts during the days ahead.

6th February – Bourtreehill BC

Give thanks to the Lord for the resilience shown by the members in the face of challenges in their personal lives. Please pray for the church as we continue to bring the light of the gospel to the local community.

7th February – Brae BC

Please pray for Brae Baptist in Shetland.

8th February

Please pray for the United Kingdom just now during this time of political, economic and societal uncertainty. Give thanks that even in times of great uncertainty, God is our rock and our refuge and we can trust in His unfailing love.

9th February – John Craib (Chaplain, Low Moss Prison)

Give thanks for the two Alpha courses that ran concurrently during the summer and for the impact on the men who attended. Give thanks also for the Sycamore Tree restorative justice course run by a Prison Fellowship team, which I have had the opportunity to support as chaplain and where the conversations with the men have been really positive.

10th February – John Craib (Chaplain, Low Moss Prison)

Please pray for those involved in recruiting a replacement chaplain(s) to cover the 15 hours we lost when a colleague was transferred fulltime to Polmont Young Offenders. Pray that people with a heart for the men and a desire to share the love of Jesus will be appointed.

11th February – Bridge of Don BC

Through our church cafe, two weekly toddler groups, Tea Time Together (Messy Church) and the Sunday gathering it has been good to welcome new local folk seeking community as well as those curious about faith into the church, as we seek to make Jesus known in our community. Join us in praying that 2019 will see folk take their next steps in following Jesus - we are planning an Alpha course in the spring.

12th February

Please pray for our Assembly Planning Meeting today as the group seek to create a special Assembly programme as we celebrate 150 years of the Baptist Union of Scotland. Please pray for inspiration and creativity!

13th February

Please pray for Martin Hodson today as he lectures at the Scottish Baptist College on Pastoral Care.

14th February

Give thanks for the gift of love. Pray for those in our society who may feel unloved, unlovable and unseen. May they know the unconditional love of the Father. Please pray that as we go about our daily lives, we might share the love of Jesus with people in our communities and the hope that only He can bring.

15th February – Bristo BC

We praise God for increased attendance at our weekly outreach groups, for the fact that many of these folks are now also coming along to Messy Church and for the many faith conversations we had at our Christmas events. We pray that these folks will come to our joint Comely Bank Churches Together Alpha and enter into a living relationship with Jesus.

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16th February – Broughty Ferry BC

We thank God for new people joining us in worship both at our regular Sunday morning service and our new outreach venture 'Sunday at 4', together with opportunities to work in the wider community. We pray for wisdom to make the best use of our premises in two areas of our community and guidance as we seek to fill leadership positions within the congregation.

17th February – Philip Craven (Chaplain, RAF)

Please pray for my ongoing ministry in the RAF. I have found it to be a blessing, an honour, and a privilege. Please pray for our service personnel who are far from home, for their families who miss them, and for those who have sacrificed their lives and liberties in order to protect others. Please pray for all the serving padres that they may give witness to the grace of Jesus, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit in all that they do.

18th February

Please pray for those in our churches and wider communities who are facing serious illness or bereavement at this time. Pray that even in their sorrow, they will know the peace and presence of Christ. May we share that peace and presence with those we comfort and support.

19th February – Broxburn BC

We give thanks to God for: the continued faithfulness of the congregation; willing and able preachers; slow but steady growth and continued opportunities to reach out to our community.

20th February

Please pray for Alan Donaldson as he represents our Union at the Scottish Churches Parliamentary Office committee in Edinburgh today.

21st February - Broxburn BC

As we look to the future, pray that: we will be sensitive to God's leading; He will give a clear vision for the witness here in the coming years; He will refresh us with 'springs of water' and make this Christian community a source of refreshing for others.

22nd February - Buckhaven BC

We praise God for our growing church, our partnerships with the community, including our Friday community cafe, and our various outreach projects which position us as a place of welcome to the stranger. We pray for our discipleship and evangelism programmes as we seek to become a church which both recalls and freshly envisions the missional movement that begun in Buckhaven some 110 years ago.

23rd February – Buckie BC

Thank God for those who have professed faith in Christ in the last year. Please thank God for an increasing number of young families coming into the church. To God be the glory.

24th February – Leslie Edge (Chaplain, Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice)

Please pray that I will continue to meet the spiritual and religious needs of the patients, their families both within the Hospice and in the community together with those of the staff and volunteers. That God will bless the teaching opportunities He has given me with medical students, nurses and other staff. Give thanks for the new £21 million Hospice in Bellahouston Park, opened in October 2018 debt free, which will help those suffering from a terminal illness together with their families as they seek to support them.

25th February

Please pray for our churches across Scotland that are running Christian outreach and discipleship courses. Give thanks for these courses - tools that can be used as a way for people to be introduced to the good news of Jesus.

26th February – Burra Isle BC

We thank God for a number of outreach events held over the summer and autumn including our annual 'Soccer School' and a Tearfund Concert. Please pray for us as we seek to follow up those opportunities to share God's love. Please pray for our Pastor who has had eye operations over the summer and autumn, and has now returned to light duties.

27th February – Calderwood BC

We give thanks and praise to God for the incredible growth in our young people's devotion to Jesus and for their willingness to use their gifts. We pray that this year will be characterised by prayer and evangelism; and be fruitful in the salvation of many people.

28th February - Cambuslang BC

Please pray for our fairly small and mostly older fellowship, that the practical challenges of a large building to maintain will not stop our work and witness in Cambuslang. We give thanks that, with the Lord's help, we are still standing and for the support we have received from Newton Mearns Baptist Church, which has helped us to maintain a positive attitude going into the future.