

## WEEK 10

## DCM

### Dublin Christian Mission

**Day 1** It was a very cold and busy night at the Lighthouse, one of DCM's main ministries in the city. Over 400 vulnerable clients are in need of our service, with many asking for jackets, tents and sleeping bags; we gave out 27+ sleeping bags and 40 tents. Each tent and sleeping bag can make a difference between life and death. Pray for us as we continue to meet such need.

**Day 2** We thank God for all the staff and volunteers who help us provide this service seven days a week. Praise God and pray for **David Norton** and team. More volunteers are needed, especially for Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Pray the Lord will provide.

**Day 3** Give thanks for Betania Church, Dublin, coming on board to serve our homeless guests every Monday making a difference. Give thanks also for **Biserica Betania** from our partner Feed Dublin, a charity tackling food poverty, also among migrant families at the Lighthouse. They come to receive more than a warm meal - to be listened to, encouraged and blessed through songs and prayers offered for those who desire.

**Day 4** Pray for **Aubrey McCarthy**, Co-founder and Chairperson of Tiglin (which means 'life beyond addiction'), working with DCM. Mustafa is from Algeria and has found a home in Ireland and is part of the Lighthouse team. Dean Hallian was enabled to overcome addiction issues in his past and now uses his experiences and training with new people that join the Tiglin programme.

**Day 5** Pray for the ministry of The All Rise Café, our new social enterprise café located on Chancery Place, not only serving coffee, sandwiches and pastries, but also providing people with the opportunity to get back to work and making a difference.

**Day 6** We are saddened to report the death of our colleague and friend Ian O'Brien. Ian had a larger than life personality and a true servant's heart. Ian cooked thousands of meals at the Lighthouse and served the most vulnerable in our city, giving selflessly of his time. We thank the Lord for his years of service. May others follow in his footsteps.



### 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

MAF—Joan Sempy

DCM - Ann McIlhagga

CAP - Alison Chestnutt

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### Mission Partners

### Prayer Cycle

May - August 2024



## WEEK 1 United for Mission UFM

**Day 1 David Morrow**, has completed 10 years as Irish Director. We give thanks for his faithful service. Pray for safe travels and good health during his 7 weeks sabbatical in May and June. In May, he will visit Johnny and Ann in Thailand, and Gisli and Norah in Bulgaria. Pray for refreshing and re- envisioning for his return to the office in July.

**Day 2 Lamin & Jayne.** Pray for Jayne's 10 weeks of deputation in Ireland and UK from April, also for baby Theo's medical appointments. Thank God for good advice on his allergies. Pray for protection for Lamin in **Sierra Leone**, serving in the local church, working with prisoners, children and young people.

**Day 3 Ben and Esther Brown** have returned to **Moldova**. Pray for the family to settle in and refresh language again. Pray for new openings for ministry, sharing the gospel and discipling people with disabilities. Give thanks for good progress in building the fifth house for people with disabilities; pray for a team to come and finish the house in the autumn.

**Day 4 David & Wilma Murphy** (Charlestown Co. Mayo). Praise God for answers to prayer in the Ladies' Group and the Men's Breakfast Group, for relationships being built. Pray for S a new believer, that her husband might also come to faith. Pray for guidance and vision for future gospel outreach to the community.

**Day 5 100Fold.** Give thanks for the New Mustard Seed microSD cards providing Christian training in native languages into 'closed' countries. Praise God for the Gospel Chatbot, widely used by young people in Brazil, the Middle East and UK. Pray for these skilled workers using technology to spread the gospel in countries where missionaries are not welcome.

**Day 6 Stephen & Linda Park, Uganda**, will do deputation in N. Ireland for three months from mid-April. Give thanks for opportunities to share about **Kiwoko Hospital**; pray for safe travel. Pray that the boys will settle well and have a lovely family time. Pray for Joel with exams in three subjects. Pray for the team continuing the work at the hospital.

## WEEK 2 Scripture Union SUNI

**Day 1** Give thanks for **Eve McMullan**, Ballymena Schools Worker, and for her varied ministry to children and young people in our local area. Pray for continued opportunities to share in church services, that folk would be blessed, encouraged and challenged by the opportunities God gives for outreach in our schools.

**Day 2** Give thanks for the Prayer Spaces for schools held in their local church. The latest one was held in Ballyloughan Presbyterian Church for Dunclug school on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April. Pray for wisdom about where future Prayer Spaces may take place. So far, they have been a real blessing to pupils.

**Day 3** Continue to pray for assemblies that S.U. have the privilege of taking, that the Lord would continue to speak to teachers and pupils alike. Pray that they would respond willingly to God's Word.

**Day 4** Give thanks for the *Junior Unite SU* event at the start of March. Praise the Lord also for the *Amazing Jesus* RE Lessons which have been delivered across eight Primary Schools. Pray that boys and girls would come to know the Saviour, as they hear God speaking.

**Day 5** Pray for the *It's Your Move* lessons being delivered this term for pupils moving to 'big school' in September, including in Harryville Primary School. Pray too for the *It's Your Move Celebration* on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June, where P7 pupils can meet other P7's, teachers and senior pupils, and be encouraged from God's Word.

**Day 6** SUNI will be running 15 residential camps and 22 missions right across Northern Ireland. Pray for team leaders, volunteers, and the children and young people who will attend, that they will know they are loved by God and what he has done for them. Pray that God would move mightily. Details of all the different camps for your information and prayers can be accessed through the following link:

[Find a camp - SUNI Scripture Union Northern Ireland](#)

## WEEK 3 Christians Against Poverty CAP

**Day 1** Give thanks for the recent CAP Money Course training completed in Northern Ireland and ask that those recently trained would be empowered to run the Money Course in their churches and communities. Pray that the Lord would use this to bring people to hear the good news of the Gospel.

**Day 2** Praise God that Anne has both become debt free and also come to a living faith in Christ through her contact with CAP. Pray that she will grow in her faith and that she will be equipped to share her experience as she trains to be a CAP Money Coach.

**Day 3** Pray for the newly established CAP Ireland charity. Give thanks that a team has been planted in Ireland and ask that more churches would come on board, that many lives would be impacted and that through the work of CAP Ireland, God's kingdom would be extended.

**Day 4** Pray for **John Maxwell**, Ballymena CAP Centre Manager, who is recovering from an accident. Ask that he would be healed from his injuries and be able to return to work soon.

**Day 5** Give thanks as Ballymena Baptist celebrate 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, and pray that more would experience the blessing of financial and spiritual freedom.

**Day 6** 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.

*Jesus commands us...*

*'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.'*

*Matthew 22 : 37-39*

## WEEK 4 OMF International

**Day 1** OMF UK is in a period of major transition. The office in Kent will be re-located to the Midlands, where large communities of S E Asians live. **Peter and Christine Rowan** end their term as UK National Directors end of 2024, after 15 years. Pray for grace to finish well – Peter has serious health issues currently. Pray for the Lord's choice to fill their role to become clear.

**Day 2** Many Christian workers left Asia during Covid. As Ch government restrictions increase, the need for well-trained local believers increases. Pray for **R and A** and family. Their ministry is discreetly mentoring and preparing ethnic missionaries for that vast nation.

### **FOCUS ON JAPAN**

**Day 3** By contrast, doors are wide open for Gospel workers in Japan, yet hearts are mostly closed. Of its population of 120 + million, 0,57 are evangelical Christians, after decades of missionary service.

**Pray for John and Emiri Orme**, with **Anna** and **Noah**, (First Antrim PCI) returning in July to become Sector leaders for 25 missionaries in the north of the main island.

**Day 4** Many 1000s of Japanese come to Ireland for work or study. **Alison Orr**, leads Dublin Japanese Christian Fellowship, befriending and introducing Japanese to Christ through Bible study. Some have believed, before returning home. Please pray for S, newly arrived and in Ireland for just six months. Alison is studying God's Word regularly with her - S has never read the Bible before.

**Day 5** **John and Birita Timothy**, with their boys, **Jónas** (5) and **Markus** (3), serve in a church with 15 members, in Sapporo, Hokkaido. It was planted by OMF workers 15 years ago. Pray for English classes, Mums and Tots, and outreach events. Pray for building relationships, and that more young families will join.

### **BRIDGE ASIA – Mobilisation**

**Day 6** Please pray for **Trevor Warner** organising the Bridge Asia Conference in Milton Keynes, 17-19 May. Pray that many members of UK BA teams will attend for training and be inspired for mobilisation for mission. These are volunteers from local churches, moving others to pray, support, send and encourage others in mission to East Asians.

## WEEK 5 Donabate Presbyterian Church

**Day 1** Pray much for **Rev Andy Carroll**, also the family, including his wife **Victoria** and children, **Reuben**, **Martha** and **Joseph**, serving the Lord in North Dublin. Give thanks for Andy's passion to help people understand God and the Bible. Pray that he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, enabling him day by day to break the bread of life so that many trust the Saviour.

**Day 2** Pray for our teenagers as they head into exam season - we pray that they would continue to grow closer to Jesus and be courageous as they share their faith in schools, sports and other activities.

**Day 3** We're entering a new phase of the life of our Balbriggan Church. Praise God for all that He has done already to establish this new fellowship, now with a regular pattern of weekly Sunday worship. Please pray for us as we seek God's leading and guidance through it all.

**Day 4** Pray much for community outreach worker, **Josh McCance**, and family, **Kathryn**, his wife and little **Daniel**. Josh is in a relatively new pathway within PCI, training for the ministry and simultaneously serving the Balbriggan fellowship under Rev Andy's leadership. Please pray the Lord will strengthen Josh and enable him to balance time well, both in serving the church family and also in continuing with his formal studies.

**Day 5** Give thanks to God for three Ukrainian families who have been coming to church for the past few months. Pray for us as we learn from them and try to care for them in their difficult circumstances.

**Day 6** Praise God that we have a new leadership team for our summer kids club. Please pray for **Ciara** and **Nathalie** as they head that up. Pray for all their preparations for this summer's club. Ask for a good team to form and pray that many children will come along and be drawn to Christ.

*The Prayer Cycle is a 6-day 10-week cycle for use from May-August. 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.*

## WEEK 6 Presbyterian Children's Society

### **PCS**

**Day 1** Give thanks for the small team of administrative staff who are responsible for the smooth running of the Society:

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| <b>Jason Nicholson</b> | <i>Executive Secretary</i>                |
| <b>Valerie Henry</b>   | <i>Finance and Administration Officer</i> |
| <b>Amy Boyd</b>        | <i>Grants and Administration Officer</i>  |
| <b>Angela Magill</b>   | <i>Administration Officer</i>             |

Pray that the Lord will give them wisdom and compassion in all aspects of their work.

**Day 2** Give thanks for the continued existence of the Society and its desire to provide financial help to those Presbyterian families, with children, who find themselves in unexpected hardship for various reasons eg bereavement, unemployment, divorce or receiving unexpected bills not budgeted for. Pray that donations will continue to cover the cost of grants and administration.

**Day 3** Pray that those families who have been supported by the Society may see that they are not alone in their time of hardship and need. The Society is concerned about their mental, physical and spiritual wellbeing.

**Day 4** Pray that the Lord will use the Society as a means to introduce and eventually lead children, women and men to himself as they see that Christians care about their problems and worries.

**Day 5** Pray for all families that experience financial crisis or difficulty. Pray that they will feel comfortable approaching their minister or others in their congregation who can process an application to the Society.

**Day 6** Give thanks for all those who raise funds for the Society and give thanks that we belong to a Presbyterian community where we have opportunities to receive and share with those people who are not so fortunate. Give thanks that enough funds have been received to cover grants and expenses.



## WEEK 7

### Tearfund

**Day 1** Give thanks for the many Tearfund donors and fundraisers, who help fund vital projects in local churches and Christian organisations in more than 50 countries. Pray for wisdom and guidance for the leaders as they tackle poverty through sustainable development, disaster response, and by challenging injustice. ‘

*‘With God all things are possible’ Matthew 19 v 26*

**Day 2** Please continue to remember the worsening humanitarian crisis in Gaza. Pray for a ceasefire and an end to the violence. Pray for world leaders with influence in the region to make wise decisions that lead to lasting peace.

**Day 3** Pray for the people of Gaza and Israel, who are affected by the conflict and by devastation to their home country. Pray for healing of physical and emotional wounds. Pray that God’s peace will fill their hearts and give them hope in difficult times.

**Day 4** Remember Tearfund’s partners in Lebanon and the region surrounding Gaza. Pray that God would strengthen them as they provide practical aid and essentials such as food, blankets, mattresses and hygiene supplies to families who have been displaced from their homes.

**Day 5** Give thanks for Tearfund’s Transforming Communities Programme which is run through local churches in places like Bangladesh. The rising cost of food plus the climate crisis has worsened the already brutal monsoon conditions in the area. People like Joseph and Ratna were facing a life of extreme poverty but fortunately joined the programme through their local church. They joined a Bible study group where members pray, share skills and resources, and find solutions to their poverty.

**Day 6** Pray for the Tearfund’s ‘*This is a rubbish campaign*’ where they hope 150 governments will establish the first ever global treaty on plastic pollution in our world. Unfortunately, those in poverty often suffer most from the effects of pollution. Pray for Tearfund as they represent these people.

## WEEK 8 The Florence Project

**Day 1** Give thanks to God for **Pastor Davson’s** recent visit to Harryville – Palm Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Thank the Lord for our ongoing partnership with him.

**Day 2** Ask the Lord to encourage **Ian and Diane McElhinny** as they tell others about Gospel work in Florence and as they seek to raise interest and support for this ministry.

**Day 3** Pray for the people visiting Davson’s home. Two groups of unbelievers are coming regularly to share in a meal but also to hear an explanation of the Gospel. Ask the Lord to open their hearts to the Saviour.

**Day 4** Davson has become involved in translating Christian literature into Italian. This is difficult and painstaking work. But it is very valuable work. Ask the Lord to give him help with this.

**Day 5** Ask the Lord to draw Davson into a deeper relationship of love and faith in Him. Pray that Davson would have insight into the Word of the Lord and power in preaching it.

**Day 6** Continue to pray for the Lord’s blessing on Davson’s family, - on his wife **Neide** and on his children **Christian, Eduardo** and **Melissa**, and for provision of all their needs.

*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..*

## Week 9 Mission Aviation Fellowship

### MAF

**DAY 1** Consider those for whom flying is a lifeline rather than a luxury and pray that God will continue to use MAF’s ministry and life-saving flights to His glory and for people’s good. Give thanks for God’s protection daily and continue to pray for safety in the air at all times. Pray too for all the engineers who service the planes.

**DAY 2** MAF’s Future Pilot Programme is a demanding course of practical and theoretical study. Please pray for good recall, a disciplined approach and supportive relationships to encourage those in this training. May God continue to send pilots into this vital work, as well as all the other necessary support staff.

**DAY 3** Uganda has the largest number of refugees in all of Africa, mostly coming from the surrounding countries. With food rations for displaced people decreasing due to the many other crises around the world, please pray for new provision and for MAF to be effective in supporting Uganda’s many displaced people.

**DAY 4** Please continue to pray for the **Cousley** family, based in Northern Australia. **Glenn** is still awaiting the return of his Aircraft Engineering licence. **Julie-Anne** has been asked to join her school’s mission team. Partnering with SU Australia, Julie-Anne and two other staff will be accompanying 12 students for outreach to three schools in Emerald, a rural town in central Queensland. Pray for safe travel and courage to share God’s Word. Pray this outreach opportunity will bear much fruit.

**DAY 5** Medical oxygen is an essential part of supportive care for a wide range of illnesses, from pneumonia to childbirth complications. Praise God, that through a partnership between MAF and AMREF, oxygen canisters can be delivered safely to where they are greatly needed, saving the most fragile patients. (AMREF is Africa’s leading health NGO).

**DAY 6** Pray for MAF Technologies Team in Papua New Guinea, as they serve the communities around them. Helping to install radios and solar panels, the team also teaches computer use and shows how to access the Bible on MP3 players.