

## Especially Remember.....

Those for whom the winter months, and in particular Christmas, are a difficult time because of loneliness, bereavement, family breakdowns or financial worries. Pray that they may be reminded of God's love for them, shown in Jesus' birth. Pray that they may know God's peace and comfort as Christmas approaches.

Give thanks for Glasgow City Mission and the Lodging House Mission as they work together to provide a night shelter through the winter months. Pray for those sleeping on the streets of Glasgow or in homeless hostels who will access this care. Pray that they may feel loved and valued, and that the offer of food and shelter will bring comfort and hope.

Pray for the Street Pastors as they engage with those out revelling in the city centre over the winter months and in particular during the festive season. Pray that they will be able to share the real meaning of this celebration.

Give thanks too for the generosity of many who donate to the Foodbank and to the volunteers who run it. Pray for those people needing to use the Foodbank this Christmas time, that they will receive help and support with sensitivity and compassion. Pray that they may also know that God cares and will provide for them.

Continue to give thanks for the hard work the Messy Church team put into their preparation for each month. Inspire them as they tell the Christmas story. Pray for people to commit to keep coming along and that many will come to a living faith.

Pray for Moments café and continue to give thanks that it is a safe and happy space for those who come. Pray too that God would bring others along who would benefit from this ministry.

Give thanks for the good response to the appeal for The Well. Pray for the staff and volunteers as many folk call in for help and advice – that they will feel welcomed, receive the help they need and encounter the love of Jesus. Pray against the panic some EU nationals and their families are feeling.

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**O Lord, I will always sing of your constant love; I will proclaim your faithfulness forever. I know that your love will last for all time. Psalm 89: 1-2**

## National and World Events

Pray for the families of all those who died in such dreadful circumstances in the shipping container. Pray against all those who seek to gain from the evil trafficking trade. Pray for wisdom for all those who seek more robust ways of dealing with this global issue.

Pray for those affected by the humanitarian crisis developing in Burkina Faso where hundreds of thousands have fled their homes. Much of the country is engulfed in fighting between armed groups. Churches are also being targeted in the attacks. Pray for wisdom as the country moves towards elections next year. Pray too for the relief agencies who are struggling to reach those most in need.

Continue to pray for our own land at this time of political confusion and uncertainty. As an election date is confirmed, pray for strength and stamina for weary politicians and pray that our leaders may be, first and foremost, motivated by concern for the most vulnerable within our society. Pray against the personal attacks which are being directed towards politicians of all parties and against any civil unrest.

Pray for all those affected by accessing inappropriate material online and for those who are victims of online abuse. Pray for global companies to seek to make their sites safe places for all.

Continue to pray for the millions across the world who are facing severe food shortages.

Pray for peaceful resolutions to the ongoing tensions in Hong Kong and in Baghdad.

Pray too for those affected by the widespread fires in California.

## Local Events

Give thanks for the special mission focussed weekend which gave particular insight into work in Cambodia, China, Nepal and Spain.

Pray for the Wider World team as they continue to keep us informed of what God is doing across His world.

Pray for those attending the Talking Jesus course that it would give confidence to be bolder in sharing Jesus with others.

Pray that the “Roll back the years” disco being run on 15 November to raise funds for the Foodbank will be a good fun evening as well as raising awareness of the growing need there is for people to access a foodbank because of difficult circumstances.

Pray for Craig Morris (previous Youth Worker) who has now joined SU. Pray that his commissioning service on 15 November will be both an encouragement and a blessing to all who attend. Pray that God will use him in many ways in this new role.

Pray for two Tearfund events, the Big Quiz night in the UF on 16 November and the Concert in Trinity on 6 December – that as well as raising funds they will also be opportunities for us to invite those who don't yet know Jesus.

Pray for the ongoing work in Hillpark Secondary and Merrylee Primary of building relationships with both pupils and staff. Pray too for those preparing the Christmas assemblies and services.

Pray that many local people would join with us in Holmlea Park to sing Christmas Carols (Sunday 22 December at 6 pm). Pray too for dry weather. Pray that folks would enjoy hearing the carols being sung round the houses in Merrylee (Monday 23 December at 6.30 pm) and the carols would help turn their thoughts to God and his most precious gift of Jesus.

## Church Family

Give thanks for our church family which crosses denominational boundaries. Give thanks for the special relationship between Trinity, the UF and the Baptist churches and for the witness that is in the Cathcart community. Pray for further opportunities to work together and to grow in fellowship with one another.

Give thanks for our ministers and others who lead us in worship week by week. Pray that they may continue to be guided and inspired by God.

Give thanks for the many people who serve in different roles within our congregations. Give thanks that they are willing to use the gifts and talents they have been given for the benefit of us all. Pray that God will encourage and bless them.

Continue to pray for the many activities run by CYMP. Pray for Cara as she supports Phillip in his new role. Pray for the trustees as they oversee all the work and as they seek God's ways to take this important work forward. Pray too for all the coming Advent and Christmas events, that the real message of God's gift will be heard and understood.

Pray for those in our church families who are lonely, anxious or unwell at this time. Pray that they may know God's love and comfort. Pray too that we might be sensitive to those who are struggling silently. Pray that we may show love and support in our words and actions.

Pray for Catherine as she continues with deputation work over the coming weeks. Remember her too as she prepares to return to the work in Spain at the end of the year. Pray she would feel ready and know God's peace, His leading and equipping.

Give thanks for Adrian's continuing recovery. Pray he will soon feel he has the energy to resume full time work. Pray too for the ongoing discussions with those in Nepal as to the next steps for Adrian.

Pray for all the Advent and Christmas events and services which will take place in our churches over the Christmas season. Pray that the Christmas message will be heard in a fresh way by those who are very familiar with it, and that it will also reach others unfamiliar with it.

### **Dates for your diary:**

**Prayer Breakfast–Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 8.30 – 10.00**

**Prayer Meetings –Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November / Wed 11<sup>th</sup>**

**December 7.30 – 8.30 pm, all in the UF Church**