

<b>JUNE 2018</b>	<b>PORTRUSH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-PRAYER DIARY:</b>
18 M	Pray for Timmy Dunn, God's encouragement in his ongoing ministry in Milford Bible Church. Continue to pray about his residency issue asking that soon this matter will be resolved.
19 T	Give thanks for summer, and the beauty that is all around us in God's glorious creation. Though we may live in town, take a moment to pray for farmers in the country side as they work the land, grow crops, and tend to animals which provides the food so vital to all our lives.
20 W	Ask God's blessing on Rev John as he goes into Portrush Primary School to conduct morning assembly, and pray for all the staff there.
21 T	Pray today for all carers who selflessly care for family members at home. Often their patience is stretched and they can feel isolated or lonely. Pray they will know God's presence with them.
22 F	Pray for Sean and Claire, and their family, in Portland, Maine USA . Ask God to encourage them in the ministry and their family life.
23 S	Pray for our local CEF workers, Stephen and Grace Chambers as they run regular clubs and Youth Challenge groups. Pray for their busy summer programme of Camps and 5 Day clubs in our region.
<b>24 SUN</b>	<b>Being a seaside town obviously allows us to enjoy the exquisite beauty of our coastline, and with the many holiday homes here gives us a transient population- especially in the summer. Pray that we will be challenged to reach out to all who visit our town – and be enabled to extend a warm welcome to all who join us for worship on Sundays. Pray for both our services led by Rev John.</b>
25 M	Pray for the many countries around the world where there is great need. Pray for Clare Grant in her development work with Christian Aid -and for local churches helping to coordinate and distribute aid.
26 T	Pray for all the preparations for our CSSM outreach next month. Pray for John Gillespie and all his team in getting all the logistics in place.
27W	Pray for those who plan going on Summer Mission teams from our congregation. Ask for God's guidance and blessing upon the mission sub committee in supporting them. (More details next month)
28T	"Love your neighbour as yourself..." Pray today for those who live around you-known to you or not. In our ever more insular world, pray for courage to approach our neighbours, sharing God's love and truth.
29 W	As school holidays begin, pray for these weeks ahead- for good relationships in families and above all for occasions with worthwhile conversations about God and spiritual things in our covenant homes.
30T	With the commencement of the holiday period, thank God for time to stop for a week or two to relax. Pray for discipline not to ignore Bible reading or prayer times, and to be witnesses for God on our holiday.

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	<b><i>“Prayer is not monologue, but dialogue; God's voice is its most essential part. Listening to God's voice is the secret of the assurance that He will listen to mine”. – Andrew Murray</i></b>
DATE 1 F	Pray for the barbeque ‘get-together’ event for all our home groups at the manse this evening, that it will be a time of good fellowship and mutual encouragement at the end of our present session.
2 S	Pray for all our young people preparing for and sitting important exams – that they will know God's help as they put in their hard work. Pray too for needed patience in awaiting those all-important results! Pray also for all our teachers and lecturers for whom this is a very stressful period too at the end of term.  Pray for all the Sunday School groups who come to use our church hall premises, from all over the Province, each Saturday for their Outings.
<b>3 SUN</b>	<b>Pray for Rev John as he conducts our services of worship today, also remembering all who participate in its leading in any way- welcoming –music- singing- IT and sound- and hospitality afterwards. Pray for all who visit with us especially over the summer period.</b>  <b>Pray for our Afternoon Sunday School where today will be their final meeting before the summer break.</b>  <b>Ask God's blessing on the evening communion service.</b>

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4M	Pray for our <b>Presbyterian General Assembly</b> as it meets in Belfast this week –Monday to Thursday. Ask God’s blessing upon and guidance in all the important business to be dealt with. Especially pray for Rev Noble McNeely as he steps down and for Rev Charles McMullen as he is installed as moderator of the General Assembly for the year ahead tonight. Pray for the special Assembly Rally (Wed) and Youth Night (Sat)
5T	Pray for Christians all around the world who suffer for their faith. During the period of Ramadan (which runs through until 14 <sup>th</sup> June) Christians can stand out even more by their non- participation in it, in Islamic countries. Especially uphold the work of Open Doors seeking to help victimised believers in these places, and bring the gospel too.
6W	Pray for the Scripture Union E3 Schools Project and for a replacement person to carry on the excellent work done by Adam McCready. Ask God’s blessing on all the SU Groups meeting in the schools. Pray for the ‘Its Your Move’ booklet distribution to schools.
7T	Pray for our government and all in positions of responsibility in these days of great transition over Brexit. Pray that leaders will never lead our nation wrongly through love of power, or unworthy ideals. Pray rather for them true wisdom and a love for ‘right over might’.
8 F	Pray for those within our church family who are ill at this time. Ask for God's healing touch to be upon them –if that be His will. Above all pray for those dealing with long term illness that they will know God’s help to be patient, to grow in grace and be a witness for their Lord through their suffering.
9 S	Today sees the final meeting of Reality 3:16 for the session. Ask God’s blessing for all who facilitate the teaching today. Pray especially that all those who have attended the course will have grown in their faith and knowledge through it - and of course be enabled to use what they have learned in their day- to- day interaction with people who have no living faith in God.
<b>10 SUN</b>	<b>Pray for our services of worship today- asking for hearts to truly worship Him as well as minds that are attentive to His Word.</b>  <b>In the evening service pray for Colin and Marjorie Dixon - PCI mission workers in Israel, who will share something of their work and challenges in reaching out with the Gospel there.</b>

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11 M	Pray for the members of Committee, asking God to give guidance in the maintenance and best use of all our buildings to glorify God. Pray too for the security of our buildings and wisdom in overseeing this.
12T	Pray for the work of the Care Team today- and for all the calls they make to house- bound individuals and others at times of need.  Pray for the Kirk Session as they have their ‘Evening Away’ asking God to encourage and re-envison them in their vital work in our leading and directing our church’s life.
13W	Pray for Trinity House care home in Garvagh- which incorporates the former York House facility here in Portrush and 2 other former Presbyterian care homes after their closure. Ask God’s blessing on the management team and all the residents there, giving thanks that people can have such a lovely place to live at the evening of their lives.
14T	Pray for the work and ministry of our local Faith Mission Christian Bookshop in Coleraine-providing for the Christian community and of course ‘being there’ for many who are not believers as a listening ear for their problems and spiritual questions.
15F	Pray for all on our church staff, Rev John, Rev Bob and Alison. Give thanks for Iris and all that she is involved in, in our church and community. Pray for those who are engaged in small Bible study groups with Iris and others. Pray for the work of the Tea and Tots, all who attend, and the volunteers who staff it, remembering the ongoing need for new volunteers.
16 S	Praise God for the outreach opportunities presented through our New Beginnings shop. Pray for all who come in and for the management committee and all the volunteers involved in this work.
<b>17 SUN</b>	<b>Pray for our All Age Children’s Service today, that we will be deeply conscious of being the ‘Family of God’ in this place, sensing the connection to Our Father through His Son by the Holy Spirit and being drawn together in love –despite all our age differences. Thank God for the work of our Sunday School and Bible Class.</b>