



PRAYER DIARY

MAY
2025

“His dominion is
an everlasting
dominion that
shall not pass
away.” Dan. 7:14
(ESV)

1 Thursday

- Pray for the English Conversation Class restarting this evening. Pray that the Lord would protect and equip the team as they seek to share the gospel with those who don't know Jesus.
- Pray for our brothers and sisters in Sudan. Pray for an end to the conflict and a lasting peace. Ask God to protect, comfort and provide for Christians. Pray God would provide them a safe place to go and help them to build community.
- Pray for those on the fringes of the church who aren't Christians. Pray that others will draw alongside them and disciple them.

2 Friday

- Pray for Impact which meets tonight. Ask that God would create a loving and gracious community, which points the young people towards Christ.
- Pray for the staff and MAPs, that they would keep walking closely with the Lord.
- Pray for our seniors at Chalmers in their daily struggles, sometimes with health or financial issues that they may know God's daily loving care and provision.
- Pray for A & H serving in East Asia. Praise God for the permit renewals that have recently gone through for members of staff. Pray for Christians as they think about how to wisely navigate traditional holidays and idolatrous practices in the country.

3 Saturday

- Pray for Ellie and Graeme as they get married today. Pray that God would strengthen them to love one another selflessly and to serve him faithfully together.
- Pray for those serving on the welcome team tomorrow, that God would fill them with his love as they chat to those who are new.
- Pray for Roger and the family during his sabbatical. Pray for good times of rest, resetting and recharging during this time.
- Give thanks that St Columba's Free Church will host the summer Christian Heritage Centre outreach again this year. Pray that God would raise up new volunteers to welcome visitors to the centre, as many of the existing volunteers are no longer able to serve.

4 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Matthew 21:28-46

Jay Parsons

6:30pm

Psalm 77

Joe McNeilly

- Pray for the young people in CCY who are leaving home to go to university, college or for gap years. Ask that God would lead them to a church where they can keep learning truths from God's Word.
- Pray for the congregation as we share in Communion. Ask that we would remember with wonder that we have been united with Jesus in his death, setting us free from enslavement to sin.
- Pray for the student Link-up Lunch today, that the hosts and the students would be enjoy getting to know one another better.

5 Monday

- Give thanks for the SU group Easter social and for the willingness of the kids to share 'The Real Easter Eggs' and booklets with their school friends.
- Pray for our preachers who faithfully teach us every Sunday. Pray that God would be ministering to their hearts and deepening their dependence on him.
- Pray for Jayne Murdock serving in Madagascar. As Jayne's time n Mandritsara comes to an end, give thanks for her recent time off, including a 114km walk to Mananara. Pray also in light of the recent rise in HIV cases - for a halt to the spread and for good health education.

6 Tuesday

- Pray for parents coming to Chatterbox who don't yet know Jesus. Ask that God would be working in their hearts to give them a hunger to hear the gospel.
- Pray that as our small groups meet, we would hold each other accountable and lovingly urge and encourage each other to live for Christ in every area of our lives.
- Pray for Redeemer church. Give thanks for Sam and Will and pray they would continue to walk closely with God.
- Pray for the pastoral care team as they visit the ill and house bound. Pray that they would share the hope that Jesus brings with those they visit.

7 Wednesday

- Pray for Sorted this week as they begin a series looking at the churches in Revelation. Pray for the young people as they consider the suffering church in Smyrna.
- Pray for the Elders meeting tonight. Ask that God would use their decisions to advance his gospel through his church.
- Give thanks for Beatrice's safe return to the UK following her time in Nepal. Give thanks for the hard work of the pastoral care department as they address the emotional needs of patients and share their faith where appropriate. Pray that God would sustain them in their work.

8 Thursday

- Pray for Chris as he shares a message from the Bible at Connections today. Pray that those attending would have soft hearts and that God's Word would have a positive impact on them.
- Pray for those attending the simple English Bible study. Ask that God would open their hearts and minds to understand the gospel.
- Pray that gospel churches across Edinburgh would be committed to God's Word and would be making him known in this city.

9 Friday

- Pray for all those who attend Ladies' Bible Study. Ask that they would encourage and challenge each other from God's Word.
- Pray for love, joy, patience and kindness for the leaders of Impact, even in difficult circumstances.
- Pray for Andy and Caireen serving at Charleston Community Church. Pray they would be refreshed from their recent holiday and continue to be salt and light in their community.

10 Saturday

- Pray for the Student girls' weekend away. Pray that the student leaders and students would sharpen one another and have the opportunity to spend time in prayer, devoting themselves to God.
- Give thanks for the musicians who play on a Sunday. Ask that the congregation will be able to sing to God joyfully as the musicians lead us tomorrow.
- Pray for the Global Mission Group. Ask for guidance for decisions they make, that they will glorify God and care for our global partners.

11 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am
6:30pm

Matthew 22:1-14
1 Kings 1

Jay Parsons
Adam Wallace

- Pray for all the children and young people in Chalmers. Ask that they would continue to walk with Jesus through all of their lives.
- Pray for those who come to Chalmers who aren't yet Christians. Ask that God would grow in them a spiritual hunger and draw them to Himself.
- Pray for Inger and Imanuel serving in Eurasia. Pray for Inger as she comes up with a concept for a MediaWorks magazine. This is a bigger project for her, so pray that she would be able to balance this with lots of other work commitments.
- Pray for all those considering overseas service both in the short term and the long term. Ask that they will know God's leading and that he will guide their decisions.

12 Monday

- Pray that the SU group leaders would be a godly example to the kids, in their love for Jesus, their manner of speech and their sound counsel.
- Pray that as people attend Hope Explored, the sessions would cause them to consider their need for Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.
- Pray for those preparing sermons, talks and Bible studies this week. Ask that God would reveal more of his unchanging character through his Word.
- Pray for those who mentor the MAPs. Ask for wisdom as they decide what to discuss and how to help train the MAPs.

13 Tuesday

- Pray for those going to Chatterbox this morning. Ask that through the friendships in the group, people would come to put their trust in Jesus.
- Pray that as home groups meet together, they would be devoted to spending quality time together in order to develop deep and meaningful relationships.
- Pray for Davi and Emma de Paula serving at Smithton Free Church. Pray they would guard their time with God in the demands of ministry.
- Pray for Elvira in Guatemala, the child that Sunday Club sponsors. Ask that she and her family would understand the gospel and grow in faith.

14 Wednesday

- Pray for Sorted as they consider the compromising church of Pergamum from Revelation.
- Pray that God would be growing each of the Elders in their godliness and love for him as they seek to lead the congregation wisely.
- Pray for Craig and Amy Anderson serving at Galashiels Free Church. Pray for wisdom as the church navigates some questions around where they meet.

15 Thursday

- Pray for those who formerly attended the English class but have returned to their home countries. Pray that God would continue to draw them to himself that they might soon find faith in him.
- Give thanks for Matthew Driver and his mission work. Give thanks for the recent outreach trip to a neighbouring country, that the gospel was made known to many and for safety and provision for the team. Pray for Matt as he starts serving on evangelism and youth teams.
- Praise God that we can be assured of his love for us. Ask that this would give us a sense of security and confidence in our heavenly Father.

16 Friday

- Pray that as the young people hear from the Bible at Impact, they would be amazed by Jesus and eager to find out more.
- Give thanks for the MAPs who are training at Chalmers. Pray that God would use them mightily in his service and that they would serve him out of love for him.
- Pray for Jonny and Fiona serving at Hebron Evangelical Church. Pray that they would know God's guidance as they lead the church and seek to raise their children in Christ.

17 Saturday

- Pray for the Student boys' weekend away taking place this weekend. Pray that it would be a relaxing time away from the city, but equally a time to dig deep together into God's Word.
- Give thanks to the sound and livestream team for making God's Word accessible to those joining in-person and online.
- Give thanks for the work of the nominating committee. Pray for God's sustaining as we wait for our new senior minister to begin.

18 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Matthew 22:15-46

Chris Turner

6:30pm

1 Kings 2

Jay Parsons

- Pray for the children's groups. Pray that they will understand the Bible passages they look at and see how it affects the way they view God and themselves.
- Pray that as the congregation listens to God's Word, that we wouldn't simply understand what it says but that we would act upon it.
- Give thanks for the work of Bethany Christian Trust in Edinburgh. Pray for the work they are doing to end homelessness and share the gospel.
- Pray that as a congregation we would be devoted to expressing our dependence on God.

19 Monday

- Pray that the SU group kids would be willing to organise a 'bring a friend' event in June, to put into practice the 'How and Why to Share the gospel' teaching we will be running in May.
- Continue to pray for the group attending the Hope Explored course. Pray that they would understand who Jesus really is and know why he came to earth.
- Pray for our church leaders who give up a lot of their time to serve the church. Pray that God would give them rest and refreshment in his Word.
- Pray for A & D in the Middle East. Pray for A as he attempts to get involved in the local music scene. Give thanks that he recently met a local musician and received an invite to a music seminar. Pray that this would lead to making good contacts for the sake of the gospel.

20 Tuesday

- Give thanks for the Chatterbox team for their willingness to meet new parents and share life and the gospel with them.
- As we meet to pray together, pray that our congregation would be committed to praying together for the work of Chalmers.
- Pray for M & C serving in East Asia. Early indications are that it is about to get more difficult to live and work as a missionary in the country where M and C serve. Pray for their protection at this time.
- Pray that as God's Word is read and taught, God would work in the lives of those who hear.

21 Wednesday

- Give thanks for the team of Bible teachers at Sorted and for their willingness to serve the kids after a long day at work or studying.
- Ask God to give our Elders strength and the ability to lead with humility, love, patience and gentleness, particularly as they meet this evening.
- Pray for Ali and Julie Sewell serving at Haddington Community Church. Pray they would know God's guidance and provision as they seek to love and care for his people.

22 Thursday

- Pray that Connections would serve as a gospel light in our community. Pray that people from our community would be drawn to the light of the gospel and be saved.
- Pray for an edifying time at Leaders' Growth Group. Pray that it will be an encouragement to the Cord leaders to meet and pray together.
- Pray for boldness for those who help with the English class, that they would always be prepared to give a reason for the hope that they have.

23 Friday

- Pray that the women attending Ladies' Bible Study would grow in sisterly love for one another as they meet to study God's Word.
- Pray for Impact tonight. Pray that God would bring these young people to a saving faith in Christ.
- Pray for the Margetts serving in West Africa. Pray that they can arrange Sunday school teacher training, with participants from across the country and neighbouring countries despite security concerns. Pray also for Hannah's health as she suffers from a heat rash.

24 Saturday

- Pray for those who will serve in unseen ways tomorrow at church. Give thanks for them and pray that they would know that God sees their service for him.
- Pray for Iain and Liana Morrison at Dowanvale Free Church. Ask for God's guidance and grace as they navigate difficult pastoral situations.
- Pray for those in the congregation who are reading the Bible with someone who is not a Christian. Give thanks for this and pray for God to open their eyes to the wonderful news of the gospel.

25 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Matthew 23:1-39

Chris Turner

6:30pm

1 Kings 3-4

Jay Parsons

- Ask that the children and young people in Chalmers would put their trust in Jesus.
- Give thanks for those being welcomed into membership today. Pray that we would love and bless them and help them feel settled.
- Pray that the student Link-up Lunch would be an opportunity for building fellowship and good relationships between students and those in the church family.
- Pray that at Chalmers we would grasp what a church devoted to prayer can do.

26 Monday

- Pray for the young pupils at James Gillespie's SU. Pray that God would build the group, lest the leaders labour in vain
- Pray for those taking part in Hope Explored as they reach the end of the course. Pray that God would open their eyes to the truth of the gospel.
- Pray for the Woman's LGG taking place today. Pray for continued growth as they study God's Word together.
- Pray that those preparing sermons, talks and Bible studies this week would be surprised, challenged and encouraged by God's Word, and that this would help them to teach it well to others.

27 Tuesday

- Pray for the Christian parents at Chatterbox. Ask that they would be genuinely loving and caring as they build friendships with other parents of young children.
- Pray for Cord taking place tonight. Pray for those who come along, that they would be excited to learn new truths about God and would be able to apply these truths to their lives.
- Praise God for our seniors and the wisdom and grace they can show to each one of us. Pray we each learn from our seniors as we thank God for them in our lives.
- Pray for the Rowbury family serving in West Africa. Pray for the kids being homeschooled and for the oldest at boarding school. Pray for energy for Julie and that they will all grow in their knowledge of God.

28 Wednesday

- Pray that the kids at Sorted would have the courage to invite their friends along.
- Ask God to bless the Elders with Christ-like leadership, compassion and pastoral care for the congregation.
- Pray for the Brash family serving in Japan. Give thanks that Yuko has now finished the translation of Paul Tripp's "Marriage" and pray for a successful publication.

29 Thursday

- Give thanks for those who lead the Leaders' Growth Group sessions and for their faithful preparation as they equip small group leaders to teach the Bible clearly.
- Pray for the simple English Bible study for internationals. Pray that those who come along would see who Jesus is and believe in him as their Saviour.
- Pray for Robin and Sally serving at the Proclamation Trust. Pray for them as they seek to raise up faithful bible teachers.

30 Friday

- Pray for the young people at Impact who are Christians. Ask for boldness for them to talk about Jesus with their friends.
- Pray for the staff and MAPs in their different ministries. Pray for genuine love and compassion for the people they meet with and minister to.
- Pray for J & R serving in East Asia. Give thanks that J recently visited several growing churches. Ask that God would meet the urgent demand for training in the region. Pray for the family as they consider moving east and all the questions around this potential move.

31 Saturday

- Give thanks for those who give up time on a Saturday to set up the chairs for the Sunday services. Pray that they will be blessed as they give up time to serve God in this way.
- Pray for H serving in a creative access country. Pray that she would know God's help and peace in her own local situation and with her family in her home country after the wildfires.
- Ask that people from Chalmers would have the chance to talk about Jesus with others.

Meeting together as a church family to pray

Tuesday 20th May

6:45pm church family meal, 7:30-9pm prayer in small groups.

Join others in the building to pray together.

All welcome – many can't commit to coming every time but please come when you can to join with others in asking the Lord to advance the cause of the gospel in this city, nation and world.

Praying before the services on Sunday

There is an opportunity to pray together each Sunday before the morning and evening services, at 9am and 5.30pm. Again, please come when you can.

The time of prayer on a Sunday evening has been extended to start at 5.30pm with the first 30 minutes focusing on prayer for spiritual revival. In light of current events, many Christians across the world feel burdened to pray in a spirit of repentance for a significant advance in the gospel across the world. This time of prayer is open for anyone to join.

Prayer letters from Gospel Partners

For more information about our Gospel Partners and to receive their prayer letters, contact Mary Robertson, our deacon for Global Mission (maryrobertson@chalmerschurch.org)

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