

PRAYER DIARY

SEPTEMBER
2025

"For we are his workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good
works, which God prepared
beforehand, that we should
walk in them."
Ephesians 2 :10 (ESV)

1 Monday

- Pray for the SU team at James Gillespie's. Pray that everyone would settle in well as they continue the early stages of gathering for this term.
- Pray for Robin & Sally Sydserff as they continue their involvement in gospel work for the Proclamation Trust. Pray for Robin as he teaches in various training contexts and for Sally as she gets alongside and cares for women in the church.
- Thank the Lord for those who are preparing to train the Small Group leaders this weekend. Pray that they would be well equipped to spread good teaching to the leaders, so the whole congregation would be well equipped to know God's word.

2 Tuesday

- Pray for Chatterbox as the story of Noah is shared this week. Pray that parents and carers would see this as more than just a children's story and would want to know more about the rescue from sin that is offered through Jesus.
- Pray that God would help those who are participating in small groups to settle in well with each other.
- Pray for Amy Conway as she starts her work with Christian Unions Ireland. Pray for the freshers weeks happening this month and ask for strength for all involved and for students who aren't Christians to connect with the Christian Unions.

3 Wednesday

- Thank God for providing young people and leaders in Sorted. Pray that their conversations would have encouraging long-term effects in their relationship with God as they go through the book of Daniel.
- Ask God to give our Elders strength and the ability to lead with humility, love and gentleness, particularly as they meet this evening.
- Pray that those in Edinburgh who don't yet know Christ would find gospel-oriented churches to help teach them the good news that Jesus offers them.

4 Thursday

- Thank the Lord for his continued care for those who attend Connections.
- Pray for God to continue his provision for those in need through the Bethany Christian Trust. Pray that more individuals who are in need would discover and reach out to them.
- Pray that the leaders would have discernment on how to share the gospel during English Conversation Class.

5 Friday

- Pray for the Ladies Bible Study that God would continue to grow and strengthen their understanding of his care and love for them.
- Pray for the Impact team as they start this term. Pray that God will guide the team as they prepare to encourage the young people through Matthew's gospel.
- Pray for evangelistic opportunities for the congregation to discuss the significance of Jesus with those who need to hear his good news.

6 Saturday

- Pray that the P1-P7s attending the Big Afternoon would experience joy together as they participate in fun activities and a story from the Bible.
- Pray for Inger and Imanuel in Eurasia, particularly for Inger's work on illustrating a modern retelling of the prodigal son called, "The Gracious Father." Pray that the illustration would complement the translations into local languages, to bring knowledge of God's saving grace to various communities.
- Pray for those who serve the church in tech, enabling the church services to be broadcasted to those who are unable to attend in person. Thank the Lord for the technology that makes this possible.

7 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Exodus 2:1-25

Jay Parsons

6:30pm

Galatians 3:1-14

Chris Turner

- Pray that as a church, we would remember Jesus' sacrifice for us as we take Communion.
- Pray for the young believers in the church - that they would be encouraged to live confidently in Jesus' ways.
- Galashiels Free Church reached a major mark in the life of the church plant with the ordination of their first local Elder. Please pray for him and his family as they rejoice in God and prepare for this area of ministry.

8 Monday

- Pray for the SU team at James Gillespie's. Pray that the Lord will be encouraging the young believers to live out a sincere faith.
- Pray for our Mission Partner in a creative access country, H, for her safety and health in her daily life and work – and pray for good opportunities for gospel conversations.
- Pray for Sam Orr at Redeemer Church in Colinton. Pray that the Lord would be at work through their witness reaching the people of Colinton with the good news of Jesus.
- Pray for those who are preparing Bible studies this week, thanking God for the impact they make in people's relationships with him. Thank the Lord for enabling us to learn more about him.

9 Tuesday

- Pray for Chatterbox, thanking God for his faithfulness to them in providing children and adults to come along each week, including leaders and helpers. Please ask that he would continue to provide for all their needs in the coming year.
- Pray that the Lord will aid his church in prayer as we gather together for the prayer meeting.
- Pray for Ali & Julie Sewell who serve at Haddington Community Church. Pray that the Lord will give them wisdom as they serve in gospel-oriented ministry work.

10 Wednesday

- Pray for the discussions in Sorted tonight, that there would be helpful discussions around the word.
- Pray for the leaders of home groups and youth groups as they meet tonight. Pray that they would be well equipped to serve the Lord in this ministry.
- Thank God for the Elders and their desire to honour God in their leadership and servant-heartedness.

11 Thursday

- Please pray that the Lord would aid those who are involved in Christian Heritage Edinburgh to have opportunities to partake in gospel work.
- Please pray that God would help the members of the Cord Leaders Growth Group as they meet tonight to study Exodus, so they may be effective in teaching it to the members of their small groups.
- Pray that the Lord would continue to use the English Conversation Class as a way to open the door to learn about who Jesus is.

12 Friday

- Pray for J & R in East Asia as they relocate to a new city – that the move goes smoothly and the doors open for fruitful ministry and training opportunities.
- Pray for those who mentor the MAPs. Pray that they would be a godly influence and lead by example.
- Pray for the Impact team as they help end the academic week with fun activities and a short lesson from Matthew's gospel for the young people.

13 Saturday

- Pray for those rehearsing for the Vision of John concert. Pray that their hearts would be set on the preparation of a creative way to communicate what God has done.
- Pray for Andy Robertson and the work that he is involved in at Charleston Community Church. Pray in thankfulness of how God shaped his heart for serving in ministry and ask the Lord to guide him in his pastoral service to help others come to the knowledge of Jesus.
- Thank the Lord for those who prep teas, coffees, and meals for the different church events.

14 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Exodus 2:23-3:22

Roger Day

6:30pm

Galatians 3:15-4:7

Jay Parsons

- Pray that the young people at Chalmers would receive excellent teaching on who Jesus is and that he would help them to trust in his words.
- Pray that the undergraduates would settle in well as they start this term with their first student lunch.
- Pray that the congregation would grow in their knowledge of God's identity as they listen to God's word being preached

15 Monday

- Pray for the SU team at James Gillespie's. Pray that the Lord would provide opportunities to have meaningful discussions about him.
- Pray for the Leaders Growth Group for Ladies Bible Study and Home Groups - that their study would not be academic theory, but that God would shape their study by his Spirit as they read together.
- Pray for those who are preparing to give sermons and Bible studies this week. Pray that the Lord would give them clarity on what the passage says and how it can be well applied into the lives of others.

16 Tuesday

- Pray for the Chatterbox leaders as they share the story of Jonah this week. Ask that the Lord would help them to communicate clearly and that the Lord would give parents, carers and children soft hearts as they listen.
- Pray that the Lord will help those who are leading Bible studies in Cord and Focus. Pray that the Lord will guide them in their understanding and teaching as they go through Exodus.
- Pray for Iain and Liana Morrison at Dowanvale Free Church, that the Lord's presence will be known in their ministry work.

17 Wednesday

- Pray to God in thankfulness for his work in the lives of those who are attending Sorted. Please pray that the Lord would continue to provide them with care.
- Pray for the Elders meeting tonight. Ask that God would use their decisions to advance His gospel through His Church.
- Pray for the Global Mission Group. Ask for guidance for decisions they make, that they will glorify God and care for our global partners.

18 Thursday

- "I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous hand" (Isaiah 41:10, ESV). Pray that each of our seniors will remember these words as they face their daily challenges and will know his help in every situation.
- Pray that more individuals would come to the English Conversation Class and take opportunities to hear God's word.
- Pray for those who lead LGG sessions. Give thanks for their commitment and pray that they would teach the Bible teachers faithfully.

19 Friday

- Pray that the discussions in the Ladies Bible Study would be encouraging for the ladies to have a greater depth of love for the Lord and for each other.
- Pray that the Lord will use the Impact team to grow the young people to trust Jesus.
- Pray for Davi & Emma de Paula who serve the Lord at Smithton Church Inverness. Pray for Davi as he re-starts ministry with teenagers for the coming year and pray for Emma as she takes on the lead of a mum's bible study.

20 Saturday

- Pray for the church walk today. Pray that there would be good conversations and friendships would be built.
- Thank God for the welcome and stewarding teams for making people feel at home as they arrive at church.
- Pray that the Bible will be faithfully taught across all ministry contexts, enabling God's voice to be clearly heard.

21 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Exodus 4:1-31

Roger Day

6:30pm

Galatians 4:8-5:1

Andrew Yong

- Pray for the young children who attend church, that they would desire to seek the Lord with sincerity in their day-to-day lives.
- Pray for those who are attending Student Lunch, that the Lord would help the undergraduates build confidence and understanding of God's love for them.
- Pray for the Q&A session tonight that it would serve to encourage the congregation as questions from the sermon series are answered.
- Pray for gospel oriented churches across Edinburgh, that their motivation would be entirely fuelled by the grace, mercy and love of Jesus Christ.

22 Monday

- Pray for the SU team at James Gillespie's. Pray that the conversations would have a long-term effect on the young people's lives for Christian living.
- A & H from East Asia: Pray for guidance as they seek a candidate to teach at their organisation. Pray also for all the kids under the care of the orphanage to be in safe, comfortable accommodation and to have compassionate and individualised care from their new caregivers.
- Pray for those who are preparing for youth work this week. Pray that the Lord would help them as they figure out how they should communicate God's word to the young people.

23 Tuesday

- Give thanks for the parents and carers who have been coming regularly to Chatterbox for some time. Please pray especially for some going through hard life circumstances asking that they would find comfort in the community at Chatterbox and would be pointed to the God of all comfort.
- Praise God that he is "the living God who is the saviour of all people" (1 Timothy 4:10, ESV)
- Pray that as we learn more from God's Word in our small groups, we would see how it impacts every area of our lives.

24 Wednesday

- Thank God for the love that Elders have for the Lord and for the congregation. Ask that God would continue to grow them in these things.
- Pray for Elvira in Guatemala, the child sponsored by Sunday Club. Pray for her health and for her education and that she would grow up to love Jesus.
- Pray for the brothers and sisters who are at risk for following him in Afghanistan. Pray that the Lord will continue to give them confidence in him, regardless of any opposition they face.

25 Thursday

- Pray that the people who attend Connections would find encouragement in the Lord to continue serving him in creative ways.
- Pray for the English Conversation Class to be fruitful as they invite people to see who Jesus is.
- Continue to pray for our Mission Partners, A & D from the Middle East and their friend as he learns more about the Christian faith and explores this for himself.

26 Friday

- Pray for the Staff & MAPs who are all involved with administrative and gospel work. Pray that the Lord would continue to use them in the different ministry areas that they are involved in and to protect their health from sickness.
- Pray for the youth weekend away. Pray for Adam as he teaches the young people and for good discussions around God's word.
- Pray for the Lord's guidance and protection for our global partners.

27 Saturday

- Thank the Lord for those who serve the church by setting up the building. Pray that they would know the value of their labour to the church.
- Pray for the Margetts in West Africa – a new version of the Scripture App Builder was recently released, which includes the possibility of inserting Bible study notes into the Bible text display – pray that this new feature will be issued well and that they would know what enhancement requests to focus on next.
- Pray for clarity for those who are considering full-time ministry.

28 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Exodus 5:1-6:13

Mark Oden

6:30pm

Galatians 5:1-12

Roger Day

- Pray that the children at Chalmers would desire to know and follow Jesus with confidence and sincerity.
- Pray for the afternoon tea today with our global partners A&H. Pray for an encouraging time as they share with the church family.
- Pray to the Lord with thankfulness for the freedom he has given us from the bondage of sin.

29 Monday

- Pray for the young pupils at James Gillespie's SU. Pray that they would have the courage to invite their classmates along.
- Pray for Jonny & Fiona Gilmour who serve at Hebron Evangelical Church in Aberdeen and that the Lord would guide them as they serve in this ministry area.
- Pray for the family of M & C in East Asia as they have just returned from a home visit and are now back in their country of work. A gifted and experienced administrator and assistant administrator have now been brought onto the team and will be instrumental in helping the school develop over the coming year – pray for them.

30 Tuesday

- Please pray for any who are new at Chatterbox today, asking that leaders and helpers would be quick to notice and welcome them in, and that they would see something of the welcome that Christ has given us.
- Pray for the small groups that are getting together today. Pray that God will give wisdom on how to rightly apply the lessons from Exodus in their lives.
- Pray for Richard and Yuko Brash, in Japan as the 'My Uchi-Soto' evangelistic materials are ready online. Thank God for leading them through the +2 years of this project, and pray that the resources can go to print very soon so that they can start using them to share the good news.

Meeting together as a church family to pray

Tuesday 9th September

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 6pm. These times of prayer are open for anyone to join.

Prayer letters from Gospel Partners

For more information about our Gospel Partners and to receive their prayer letters, contact Naomi Wright (naomi@chalmerschurch.org).