



PRAYER DIARY

MAY
2026

"Grace to you and
peace from God our
Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 1:3 (ESV)

1 Friday

- 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 Impact as they gather together this evening for fun activities with a message from the Bible. Pray that the message would provoke the youth to draw near to Jesus.
- 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.
- Pray for Jonny and Fiona Gilmour at Hebron Evangelical Church in Aberdeen. Give thanks that the Lord helped them finish their sermon series in 1 Kings and pray that what they learned would have fruitful & lasting effects in their hearts and minds.

2 Saturday

- Give thanks for the musicians, the welcome team, the audio-visual team and the tea and coffee teams. Pray that they will serve God wholeheartedly.
- Pray for the men's breakfast happening this morning. Pray that the Christian men would be encouraged through fellowship and prayer with one another. Pray also for those who don't yet know Jesus – that they would have their eyes opened to who he is, drawing near to him.
- Pray for Mark and the Oden family as they settle into Scotland and into Chalmers. Ask that God would provide them all with deep, godly friendships here which would sustain them as they follow and serve Jesus in Edinburgh.
- Pray for Inger and Imanuel in Eurasia. Pray that the Lord would use the newsletter team to design compelling gospel resources and that the outreach would be fruitful.

3 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Exodus 20:15-17

Roger Day

6:30pm

1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5

Jay Parsons

- Pray that Communion this evening would remind us of the forgiveness we have received through Christ.
- Pray for the children attending Sunday Club today that God would calm their spirits and help them to listen to his Word.
- Pray for the student link up lunch today. Ask that it would be an encouraging time as students are welcomed into homes across the church family.
- Pray for those who come to Chalmers sporadically. Ask that God would work in their hearts and that they would commit to being a part of the church family.

4 Monday

- Give thanks for the many students who were reached with the gospel during the JGHS Easter themed competition. Pray that curiosity of Jesus grows in the hearts of the students and that they would seek him.
- Pray for those preparing sermons, talks and Bible studies this week. Pray that God would first be using his Word to change their hearts and the hearts of those they speak to.
- Give thanks for those coming to Christianity Explored. Pray that as they read God's Word, they would come to saving faith.
- Pray for A & D in the Middle East, giving thanks that they can host people for worship nights. Ask that God would encourage them to keep serving him faithfully and for their relationships to develop with impactful depth.

5 Tuesday

- Give thanks for friendships formed at Chatterbox this term. Ask that the Lord would use these relationships to draw people to himself.
- Give thanks for Exodus Central tonight. Pray that the conversations & lessons would remain in people's hearts and minds, impacting the way the congregation lives out their lives as people who are rescued for relationship with the Lord.
- Pray for A & H in East Asia and for those who are considering joining them in long-term overseas gospel work. Ask that God would give them wisdom and clarity as they decide whether this is the right decision.

6 Wednesday

- Pray for the people giving talks at Sorted, pray for clear presentation of the passage and meaningful discussions to be had about Jesus.
- Pray that God would give the Elders great wisdom and insight as they discuss important decisions in tonight's meeting.
- Give thanks for the Redeemer Church family and pray that the Lord will grow them in their love for Jesus as they read through Revelation.

7 Thursday

- Pray for the Leaders' Growth Group meeting this evening. Ask God to help small group leaders to understand His Word, so that they might teach it well to their small groups.
- Pray for opportunities within the English Conversation classes to invite people to Sunday services, that they may meet the wider church family and hear the gospel preached.
- Pray for the Global Mission Group, that God would help them to encourage our Global Mission partners when they are weary or encountering difficult situations.

8 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 the Seniors' Afternoon Tea today. Pray it would be an encouragement for all who attend.
- Pray for the youth from Impact who are Christians. Ask that God would give them boldness to live in obedience to God at school and to invite their friends to Impact.

9 Saturday

- Give thanks for all those who serve in Chalmers. Ask God to give us the desire to serve him with the gifts that he has given us.
- Pray for the Church Walk that is taking place today. Pray for meaningful discussions and relationships to develop as they walk together.
- Pray for Matt West and Rachel Barge as they get married today. Pray that their marriage would reflect the character of the God they serve.

10 Sunday

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

Exodus 20:18-23:9
1 Corinthians 2:6-16

Roger Day
Mark Oden

- Praise God for the work with young people in Chalmers. Thank God for Youth Church and CCY and for all the teenagers who come along.
- Pray for student lunch. Ask that the students will learn truths that will encourage and challenge them to live for Christ.
- Pray for soft hearts and unstopped ears as the church family comes together to be nourished by God's Word today.

11 Monday

- Pray that those who go to James Gillespie's SU will invite their friends to come along to find out more about Jesus. Pray that meaningful conversations would be had that would lead to transformed lives in Jesus.
- Pray for the Women Leaders' Growth Group. Pray that studying Exodus would help them value the wonderful access they have to the LORD because of Jesus' death in their place.
- Pray for those preparing sermons, talks and Bible studies. Ask God to protect their minds and hearts from life's distractions as they dwell on his words.
- Pray for those coming along to Christianity Explored. Ask that through reading the Bible, they would see Jesus and trust in him.

12 Tuesday

- Pray for the Christian parents and carers at Chatterbox who are struggling with difficult life circumstances this morning. Pray that they would be well cared for at Chatterbox and that they would have conversations that would point them to the hope of the gospel.
- Pray for the small groups meeting across this week. Ask that we would be devoted to one another and to encouraging each other with God's Word.
- 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.
- Pray for Richard and Yuko in Japan and pray that the Lord would use them to help those in Japan to sincerely and wholeheartedly approach the Lord with confidence and assurance of his grace.

13 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.
- Pray for the Home Group LGG as they meet to study together. Pray that as the home group leaders prepare their studies, they would trust that God will speak through them as they teach their groups.
- Pray for the Elders, that they would be committed to God's Word and that they would lead by example.

14 Thursday

- Give thanks to God for the Internationals ministry. Pray that God would bring more people from around the world to Chalmers and that they would have the opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel.
- Pray for those who may go into full time ministry in the future. Pray that God would be forming in them good foundations of godly character, and that he would lead them in his time.
- Pray for the seniors who attend Chalmers. Ask that the Lord would help them remember that Jesus "holds them fast" through all the ups and downs in life and they can trust him with everything.

15 Friday

- Pray for the MAPs as they look ahead to future ministry and work. Ask God to lead them into his good plans, and to help them to trust fully.
- Pray that as the young people hear from the Bible at Impact, they would be amazed by Jesus and eager to find out more.
- Pray for Craig and Amy Anderson at Galashiels Free Church. Pray that the Lord would help them lead people to believe in Jesus as they go through the book of Mark in their Uncover Café.
- Continue to pray for H in a creative access country – that the Lord would protect her amongst conflict in her region.

16 Saturday

- Give thanks for the musicians who will lead us in singing tomorrow. Pray that the songs we sing will raise our affections for the Lord.
- Give thanks for all who are giving up their time to help with the Big Church Clean today. Ask that people across the church family would get to know one another as they serve.
- Pray for J & R in East Asia and the leaders that they are training. Pray that the Lord uses them to shape long-term faithful gospel workers.

17 Sunday

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

Exodus 23:10-24:18
1 Corinthians 3:1-17

Jay Parsons
Mark Oden

- Pray for the leaders of Youth Church and CCY. Ask that God would help them to teach the Bible faithfully, in a way that is engaging and fun.
- Pray for the small student weekend happening this weekend. Ask that those who are there would grow in their love and knowledge of Jesus through fellowship and Bible teaching.
- Pray that as God's Word is preached, God would change our hearts to be more like Jesus.

18 Monday

- Continue to pray for the kids in the SU group who find the school environment challenging – that they would know that God sees, knows & cares for them in their struggles and wants to comfort them.
- Pray for those preparing sermons, talks and Bible studies this week. Ask that they would work hard, knowing that it is worth it in light of eternity.
- Pray for those who are leading Christianity Explored. Ask that God would give them wisdom to answer questions and lead the course.
- Pray for M & C in East Asia – that the Lord would use them to motivate and encourage the students at the leaders' school to grow in their knowledge and desire to serve the Lord.

19 Tuesday

- This week's Chatterbox story is "Jesus invites everyone to be his friend." Pray that parents, carers, and children would really consider and respond to Jesus's invitation.
- Pray for tonight's Prayer Meeting – that as we meet together to pray as a church family, we would express our dependence on God for all things.
- Pray for Elvira, the child sponsored by Sunday Club. Pray that as she continues to be supported by Compassion, she would learn to trust in Jesus and become convinced of the worth of following him.
- Continue to thank the Lord for answering prayer & providing the congregation at Haddington Community Church with a building for them to worship and serve the Lord. Pray that the Lord would give Ali Sewell wisdom on how to care for the congregation with the building.

20 Wednesday

- Pray that the kids at Sorted would have the courage to invite their friends along to hear God's transformative Word faithfully taught.
- Pray for the Elders meeting. Pray for wisdom and unity as they make meaningful decisions on how to lead the church in godliness.
- Pray for all involved in Safeguarding at Chalmers. Pray for wisdom and compassion for them and pray that Chalmers would be a place of safety for all.

21 Thursday

- Pray for continued growth in leadership and Bible-teaching for Cord leaders at Leaders' Growth Group.
- 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.
- Pray for Iain Morrison at Dowanvale Free Church. Iain recently had a surgery that is requiring time for recovery. Pray for him and his family as they navigate this time and that that Lord would comfort them.

22 Friday

- Pray for the women attending the Ladies' Bible Study - that they would keep their eyes fixed on the Lord Jesus and remember that he always keeps his promises.
- 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 Robin & Sally Sydserff & the Proclamation Trust. Give thanks for the stability of PT after a difficult few years, the unity of the PT trustees and staff, and ask that they would maintain a good rhythm of work and rest.

23 Saturday

- Thank God for the welcome and greeting teams for making people feel at home as they arrive at church.
- Pray that we would have boldness to ask people to read the Bible with us. Ask that there would be opportunities for many of us to do this and that God would reveal himself to those we read with through his Word.
- Give thanks for Christian Heritage and those who serve at Street Café. Pray that the Lord would draw people near to him through the evangelistic conversations that take place.

24 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Exodus 25-31

Jay Parsons

6:30pm

1 Corinthians 3:18-4:5

Roger Day

- Pray that those who teach the children on Sundays would be assured of the important work that they are doing in sharing the gospel with these young people.
- Pray for the small student weekend happening this weekend. Pray that it would spur on the students to live for Christ over the summer months.
- Pray for those in Chalmers who are going through difficulties and are discouraged. Pray that through his Word, God would show them the hope that is found in him.

25 Monday

- Pray that the James Gillespie's SU group would be an encouragement to Christian staff working at the school and that the Lord would use them to reach the students with boldness & confidence in his Word.
- Pray for those preparing sermons, talks and Bible studies this week. Ask that God would give them wisdom and guidance as they plan.
- Pray for those attending Christianity Explored, that they would come to know and love Jesus through the faithful teaching of his good news.
- Pray for the Rowbory Family in West Africa, that they would prioritise personal time with God in prayer and listening to him as they engage in ministry work.

26 Tuesday

- Pray for conversations at Chatterbox this morning, asking that the Lord would provide opportunities for Christian parents and helpers to speak about Jesus.
- 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.
- Give thanks for Bethany Trust and the people they support through their 'Connect to Community' service. Pray that those who are transitioning out of life in prison would find stability and dependency in Jesus.
- Pray for Christians who face persecution in Somalia. Ask that the Lord would use them to lead others to discover and know who Jesus is. Pray that many would believe in Jesus despite intimidation from opposition.

27 Wednesday

- Thank God for those involved in leading Sorted, for their servant-heartedness and desire to see kids come to faith in Christ.
- 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 those who mentor the Leaders in Training. Pray that the time they have together would be useful in preparing them for future ministry.

28 Thursday

- Pray that the friendships in the English class would deepen beyond the superficial and that there would be opportunities for deep and meaningful conversations.
- Pray for Andy Robertson at Charleston Community Church. Pray that Andy and the congregation would continue to be deeply rooted in the Word of God, passionately committed to honouring God, and centred on the person and work of Jesus Christ.
- Continue to pray for the Margetts family and pray for an improvement in the security situation in Mali.

29 Friday

- Pray that the staff and MAPs will grow in personal godliness through persevering with Bible study and prayer. Ask that God would give them time to spend with him each day, even when times are busy.
- Pray for wisdom for the leaders of Impact to know how best to love, chat and interact with the young people who are at a totally different life stage to them.
- Pray for churches across Scotland, that they would be devoted to the advance of the gospel in this country.

30 Saturday

- Give thanks for the tea and coffee team. Ask that God would use the time after the service to enable people to develop godly friendships.
- Pray that the congregation would be committed to reading the Word of God and obeying God.
- Pray for Davi & Emma De Paula at Smithton Church Inverness. Pray for the Smithton Youth Fellowship Weekend Away. Pray that it will be a fruitful time for the young Christians and that they might grow in knowledge & friendship.

31 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am	Exodus 32:1-33:6	Mark Oden
6:30pm	1 Corinthians 4:6-21	Roger Day

- Pray for the children who attend creche, Little Stars and Sparklers. Pray that even at this stage of life they would begin to understand who Jesus is and know their need to trust in him.
- Pray for undergraduate believers in student lunch who live in an environment that is very critical of their faith. Ask that the Lord would equip them to use their faith in Jesus as a shield (Ephesians 6) for protection against spiritual attacks they encounter.
- 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 that as a congregation, we would be devoted to God in prayer.

Meeting together as a church family to pray

Tuesday 19th 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 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).