



PRAYER DIARY

August
2026

"You make known to me the
path of life; in your presence
there is fullness of joy; at your
right hand are pleasures for
evermore" Psalm 16:11 (ESV)

1 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 that we would be devoted to asking God for what he promises in his Word.
- Pray for Christians in Saudi Arabia who are suffering persecution. Pray that they would have their eyes firmly fixed on the hope that is to come. Pray that many more in Saudi Arabia would come to know Jesus.

2 Sunday

10:30am

Psalm 17

Freddie Hoggan

6:30pm

1 Corinthians 11:2-16

Jay Parsons

- Pray for our youngest children in crèche, Little Stars and Sparklers. Pray that the simple truths they learn about Jesus and the Bible would be laying a foundation that can be built on in future years.
- Pray for those coming to church weary and anxious, that they would have the opportunity to pray with others after the service.
- Pray for the picnic happening today. Pray that many from the church family would stay and get to know others from across the different services.
- Pray that Communion this evening would remind us of the forgiveness we have received through Christ.

3 Monday

- Pray that over the holidays the young people from the James Gillespie's SU group would have firm foundations, rooted in the gospel, that will enable them to keep living for Jesus.
- 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.
- Thank God for our Seniors and their godly example of service and perseverance. Pray that they will find the line from the hymn Great is your faithfulness, "strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow" a great comfort in the midst of pain or grief.

4 Tuesday

- As Chatterbox parents and carers meet up at the park this morning, pray that Christian parents will magnify Jesus in their conversations and the way that they parent their children.
- Pray for those moving on from Cord and Chalmers this summer. Please pray that wherever they end up they would settle in a gospel centred church.
- Pray as we meet together as a church family for summer link this evening. Pray that we would be built up together as we look at God's Word.

5 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.
- Haddington Community Church. Pray for their first holiday club in the new building starting today. Pray that the team would serve well together and for good connections with the community.
- Inger and Imanuel, Eurasia. Pray for Inger as she illustrates a parable that a scriptwriter has retold in a modern-day Middle Eastern setting.

6 Thursday

- Give thanks to God for all the people who have attended the English Conversation Class over the last year. Pray for those who no longer attend, that they would meet more Christians who will faithfully share their faith with them.
- Give thanks to God for all His daily provisions.
- Pray for Redeemer Church as Rohan and Laura move there for Rohan to be a Leader in Training. Pray that they would settle in quickly and for them to be a blessing to the church family.

7 Friday

- Ladies Bible Study. Pray for the ladies in their different circumstances over the summer break. Pray that their focus would be on Jesus as they work with different routines to normal.
- Pray for the leaders of Impact that they would be able to plan well for the term ahead. Pray that God would sharpen their teaching skills that they would be better equipped to share the gospel with the young people.
- H, creative access country. Continue to pray for protection against discouragement and that her local church would be a place where they build each other up and love one another well.

8 Saturday

- Give thanks for the welcome team at Chalmers. Ask that God would guide them to notice people who are new and visiting.
- J&R, East Asia. Continue to pray for the Bible school and preaching clubs that J and R are involved in, that these would be an effective training ground for local pastors.

9 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

Psalm 18

Mark Oden

6:30pm

1 Corinthians 11:17-34

Jay Parsons

- Thank God for the leaders of the children's groups. Ask that God would encourage them in their work and give them guidance and wisdom as they organise the teams.
- Pray that God would increase our love for Him and that this would inspire us to go and tell others about the good news of Jesus.
- Amy Conway, CUI. Pray for Amy and the team as they prepare to launch a seeker Bible study in Luke's gospel. Pray that 'The Way of Jesus' would help students to open up the Bible with their friends.

10 Monday

- Pray that those working on talks, sermons or Bible studies would be thrilled as God reveals the meaning of his Word to them.
- Pray for the Bethany re-accommodation and welcome centre and for a group from Chalmers who help with cooking meals once or twice a month. Pray they would be able to show the love and compassion of Jesus as they serve.
- A&H, East Asia. Give thanks for a large grant to their youth and job skills programme at the orphanage, that will greatly help fund the youth with disabilities training programmes for the rest of the year. Give thanks also for a new brother in the faith - an answer to prayer from a few months ago.

11 Tuesday

- Praise the Lord for his kindness and all the ways that he has provided for Chatterbox in the past academic year.
- As we meet to pray together, ask that we would pray sincerely and honestly to our Heavenly Father.
- Pray for Robin and Sally Sydserff and the work of the Proclamation Trust. Pray for wisdom as the team plan ahead for the new term.

12 Wednesday

- Pray for the Sorted team as they prepare to restart next week. Pray for wisdom and guidance as they plan for the term.
- Pray that the Elders in Chalmers would “shepherd the flock... exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, not for shameful gain, but eagerly” (1 Peter 5:2, ESV).
- A&D, Middle East. Pray for a recent wedding of two new believers. Pray for the Lord’s strength and guidance for them as they have few role models to look to in terms of what it means to be in a Christian marriage.

13 Thursday

- Pray for the staff and MAPs, that they would be steadfast and hold firmly to the truth of the gospel.
- Pray for the teams that go out on the Care Van serving food and drink to the homeless. Pray for opportunities for them to give a reason for the hope that they have.
- Pray for Craig and Amy Anderson at Galashiels Free Church. Pray for God’s help as they continue to reach out to the community with the gospel.

14 Friday

- Pray for Impact meeting each Friday. Pray that the teenagers would listen to the gospel and put their trust in Jesus.
- Pray for those in Chalmers considering full time ministry. Pray for opportunities to find out more about what this will involve.
- Pray for Charleston Community Church as they reach out to their community with the gospel. Pray for grace, wisdom and compassion as they work through complex issues with people.

15 Saturday

- Pray that as a congregation we would use the different gifts God has given us to build each other up.
- Pray that the congregation would be committed to reading the Word of God and obeying God.
- Graeme and Ellie Moore, Calderwood Baptist Church. Give thanks for the recent holiday clubs which had over 120 attending. Pray that God would continue to work in the hearts of those who attended, drawing them to himself.

16 Sunday

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

John 1:1-5 & 20:30-31
1 Corinthians 12:1-31

Mark Oden
Andy Buchan

- As Youth Church and CCY start back today, praise God for the work with young people in Chalmers and thank God for all the teenagers who come along.
- Pray that as we gather as a church family that we would be helping each other to grow in maturity in Christ.
- Pray for Esther as she is baptised this morning. Ask that Esther's parents, Allan and Sarah, along with the church family, would be committed to their promise to teach her the good news of Jesus.

17 Monday

- Pray that those working on Bible passages for talks, sermons or studies would be determined to pass on God's Word faithfully, without distorting the truth.
- Give thanks for the Safeguarding Team and the organisation and delivering of PVGs and Safeguarding Training as they seek to ensure Chalmers is a safe place for everyone.
- M&C, East Asia. Pray for M amidst a demanding teaching schedule, that the Lord would sustain him. Pray also for believers there that they would have 'spiritual depth' and learn what it is to live as 'new creations'.

18 Tuesday

- Pray for the Cord welcome evening. Pray that there would be new people that would come along and feel very welcome.
- As Chatterbox returns today ask that the Lord would bless friendships between Christian and non Christian parents and for Jesus to be honoured in conversations this morning.
- Richard & Yuko Brash, Japan. Pray for the family during their months of sabbatical over the summer - that it would be a time to rest and recharge and to reconnect well with sending churches.

19 Wednesday

- 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 Sorted as it restarts today. Pray for those joining for the first time, that they would settle in quickly and make good friendships.
- Pray for Davi and Emma de Paula at Smithton Free Church. Give thanks for the work that they do in the church and the community. Pray that they would keep growing in their faith as they serve.

20 Thursday

- Pray for the English Class team as they plan the next term. Pray that they would boldly proclaim the gospel and that many would come to know Jesus.
- Pray that as a congregation we would be confident in the power of God's Word to change lives.
- Pray for those who mentor the MAPs. Ask for wisdom as they decide what to discuss and how to help train the MAPs.

21 Friday

- Ladies Bible Study. Pray for a good time together as they reconnect after the summer and start studying John together. Pray that new members would feel welcomed.
- Pray for Impact. Ask that the talk given tonight would be clear and that the gospel would be faithfully taught.
- Pray for the pastoral care team as they seek to love and encourage those who are facing difficulty. Ask that they would be able to point people to Jesus and the hope he brings.

22 Saturday

- Give thanks for the musicians who play on a Sunday. Ask that the congregation will be able to sing to God joyfully as they lead us tomorrow.
 - Pray that our seniors who at times (like us all) feel burdened, remember this verse. "Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest". Matt 11:28
 - Pray for Jonny and Fiona at Hebron Evangelical Church. Pray for the Lord's strength and help at the start of the new term.
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23 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

John 1:1-18

Mark Oden

6:30pm

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Roger Day

- Pray that as a church family, we would be welcoming to people from all backgrounds, nations and circumstances.
- Pray for children who may be reluctant to attend church. Pray for godly perseverance for their parents and that the children would see the eternal worth following Jesus for themselves.
- Pray for those being welcomed into membership this evening. Pray that as a congregation we will hold firm to our promise to support and pray for them.

24 Monday

- Pray for those preparing to teach God's Word as they deal with competing demands on their time. Pray that they would trust God with the time he has given them.
- Women's Leaders' Growth Group. Pray for the LORD's help that as they begin to study John today, they'd quickly get their bearings and see more of the Lord Jesus.
- Give thanks for Chris Turner starting as a Minister in Training at Haddington Community Church. Pray that he, EJ, and Flora would feel at home and settle in quickly.

25 Tuesday

- Please pray for both children and adults at Chatterbox to really listen as they learn how God saved Noah. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be at work softening hearts.
- As the church meets for John Central this evening, pray we would be speaking the truth in love to one another and that the Lord would encourage us as we start looking at John's gospel this year.
- Pray for the small group leaders. Give thanks for new leaders joining this year and pray that they would settle quickly into their groups.

26 Wednesday

- Give thanks for the leaders and cooks for Sorted. Pray that the Lord would sustain them as they serve.
- Thank God for our Elders who are committed to look after church family in many unseen ways.
- Pray for Christian Heritage Edinburgh as they reach out to many people over the summer months. Ask that the team would be bold in sharing the gospel with those they meet.

27 Thursday

- Pray for opportunities within the English Conversation classes to invite students to Sunday services, that they may meet the wider church family and hear the gospel preached.
- Pray for the Cord Leaders' Growth Group this evening. Pray that this would be a great help and encouragement to leaders as they prepare to teach John.
- Pray for the Global Missions Group who enable strong links to be maintained between the church and our partners. Pray for God to use the team to bless our brothers and sisters who serve overseas.

28 Friday

- Pray for a good time in the evening for the kids at Impact, that they will enjoy both the activities and the Bible-based discussions.
- Pray for the small group leaders as they meet for training this weekend. Pray that they would be encouraged at the start of the new year to keep serving the Lord in their roles.

29 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 Elvira in Guatemala, the child sponsored by Sunday Club. Pray for her health and education and that she would grow up to love Jesus.
- Jen & Richard, Zambia. Pray for Richard and Jen as they make all the preparations for their move to Zambia: their colleagues are / have been applying for work permits for them, they will be looking for a place to rent longer-term after the first six weeks, and they have narrowed down the options for schools for the girls to two possible options, as of their last update. Pray for them.

30 Sunday

9:30am & 11:30am

John 1:19-34

Jay Parsons

6:30pm

1 Corinthians 14:1-25

Adam Wallace

- Pray for spiritual protection for the church family as we learn from God's Word and tell others about it.
- Pray for all the children and young people, that they would be growing in their relationship with God and becoming more like Christ.
- Pray for those being welcomed into membership this morning. Pray that they would grow spiritually as they sit under the teaching of the Bible.
- Pray for the student team as they prepare to welcome returning and new students to Chalmers. Pray all students would feel welcomed and able to settle well into church.

31 Monday

- Pray for those preparing sermons, talks and Bible studies this week. Pray that they would understand clearly what God's Word is saying and be able to teach it clearly to others.
- Pray that church leaders in Scotland would be committed to discipling their flock and sharing the good news with the people in their communities.
- Pray for Iain and Liana Morrison at Dowanvale Free Church. Pray that the Lord would sustain them and for many to come to know the Lord through their ministry.

Meeting together as a church family to pray
Tuesday 11th August

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).