

Daily Prayer Guide

October 2021



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1st October

Canopy 2021: National Prayer Gathering - Father God we give thanks for the opportunity to hold an online event which all of our churches in Scotland can be a part of. We pray for tonight's National Prayer Gathering as we enter into Your presence God to worship you and pray for churches across Scotland. We pray God that this will be a powerful time of worship and prayer. Come Lord Jesus!

2nd October

Canopy 2021 - We pray for all aspects of our event today for the speakers speaking during our main sessions and seminars and also for the technical and production team making sure that there are no gremlins! Lord we pray in particular for the family and youth streams - that the content will be a blessing to families and young people.

3rd October

Canopy 2021: Sunday Gathering - We give thanks that many of our churches will be coming together across Scotland for this unique opportunity to worship God together this Sunday morning through our livestream broadcast. God we pray that you will be glorified during this united act of worship.

4th October

Baptist Union of Great Britain - We pray that in all their work to support many diverse churches in their network that God would bless them with creativity and innovation in these days. We pray for new and exciting areas for witness and ministry in communities across England and parts of Wales at this time.

5th October

Nairn BC - Give thanks for our staying together so well via our zoom services and now starting our in-person/live-streaming services. For our connection with Renew Wellbeing, becoming a SCIO and seeing new people join us. Please pray as we seek to care well for our older and vulnerable people, take the next steps with Renew Wellbeing and seek to purchase premises in the town to serve the community and the church as a hub/resource centre.

6th October

New Prestwick BC - We bless God for his faithfulness these past 18 months; for the readiness of our congregation to embrace and engage with resources such as YouTube and Zoom, and for good numbers returning to gathered worship. Pray for us as we seek to re-open the bridges into our community, suspended due to the pandemic. And also as we seek to find new opportunities to fulfil our Gospel mission in New Prestwick.

7th October

As the nights continue to draw in, may we remember that you Lord are the Light of Life, that your presence shines in the darkness and that we need not be afraid - for you are a beacon of hope and a comforting night-light to our souls.

8th October

Newton Mearns BC - We give thanks for way that Newton Mearns Baptist has continued to share the good news of

Jesus in innovative ways during this challenging time. We pray that the many seeds sown during this season will bear fruit and a harvest of new disciples of Jesus.

9th October

We give thanks for the Ordination and Induction of Rev Ali Scott to be minister at Larkhall Baptist. We pray for Ali as he and his family settle into a new ministry and a new season. We pray for an outpouring of bless on the worshipping community at Larkhall Baptist.

10th October

As many churches celebrate the harvest season, give thanks for God's faithfulness and provision to us, which enables us to bless and provide for others in our communities. Please pray for foodbanks and other agencies that may be receiving donations from churches in order to help and support others.

11th October

Baptist Union of Wales - Give thanks for the Baptist Union of Wales as they seek to serve both English and Welsh speaking churches across Wales at this time. Please pray for wisdom for the leaders as they look to provide advice and guidance to churches during Covid.

12th October

Oban BC - We give thanks for Oban Baptist and the work they do in sharing Jesus with the people of Oban. We pray that the congregation will know God's power and presence with them as they worship and witness in their community.

13th October

Oxgangs Community Church - We're really excited to be baptising a lady that has come to faith recently in our community. We're also thanking God for the new youth work that is beginning. Please pray for us as we continue to reach out to our community and as we launch a number of discipleship experiments in the coming weeks.

14th October

Please pray today for those who find themselves displaced, despairing and desperate. For refugees and asylum seekers across the world, whether in migrant camps or temporary accommodation. Please pray for the agencies working to help and support people in challenging situations.

15th October

Paisley Central BC - We thank God for bringing us through an extended period of vacancy and for the appointment of Chris Townsend as our new minister. Please pray for us as we seek to grow together and to find new ways to share the love of Jesus with our families and friends, and in the communities where we live and work.

16th October

Peebles BC - Thank you God for the church family in Peebles and their love for you. We pray Lord that you would lead them and guide them as they seek to follow you and serve you in everything they do.

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17th October

Irish Baptist Networks - Pray for God's guidance for Churches and their leaders facing the challenges and opportunities as we emerge from the pandemic. Thank God for the warm relationships we enjoy with our brothers and sisters across the UK and with the EBF. Please pray that IBN may encourage some younger leaders to engage with us in taking forward relationships and fellowship with the wider Baptist family

18th October

We give thanks that you call people to serve you in positions of leadership within churches. We pray for the Lead Academy Taster sessions taking place this week that those leaders who attend will find it helpful as they seek to lead diligently in their local Baptist church.

19th October

Perth BC – Please pray for wisdom and discern for the leadership as they seek to lead the church out of a long period of not meeting in person. Wisdom and discern for the new Pastor Eder Ferraz Goncalves, his wife and their daughters as they settle in Perth and in seek to know the church and the area in order to minister effectively. Pray also for the encouragement of the PBC family as they begin to enter a new season that God has prepared for them.

20th October

Peterhead BC – We are thankful for two recent baptisms, the welcoming of ten new members and the election of elders – evidence that the Lord continues in building His Church here. Please pray for us as we negotiate the next phase of our work on the church building and as we discuss the shape of our worship on Sunday evenings.

21st October

Pitlochry BC – Please pray for open doors in our Children and Young People's Ministry which goes out into our community and that our community will continue to be open to our efforts help bring people together. As we get used to meeting in church again, please pray that we will not be satisfied with old, unfruitful habits. Give thanks to our members who have volunteered and saved us thousands of pounds on labour costs for the continuing refurbishment work.

22nd October

Lord we pray today for all the people we can take for granted - the lorry drivers and van drivers essential to the movement of food and fuel across the land. We pray for the recruitment of more men and women into these important supply chain roles. We also pray for good working conditions for people working in this area across the world. May your kingdom come.

23rd October

BMS World Mission - Please pray for BMS World Mission workers across the world. Pray that they will be a blessing to the communities they serve among, and that their work will ultimately bring more people to faith. The Covid-19 pandemic has massively impacted BMS work. Please pray that ongoing relief efforts will reach people in need and that BMS can well support their partners in adapting to this new normal. As BMS continues to implement their new strategy, pray that it will help bring necessary support to marginalised and least evangelised communities, as well as people on the move.

24th October

Pollok BC - Give thanks for the way God has sustained and kept us together, through Zoom, during restrictions; for our Food-bank & outdoor "pop up" cafe: both now finished. Pray for the reopening of our indoor cafe & "Kook Skool" and

worshipping in our building. We have lost several key people recently - some through death (including COVID) and others who are relocating; pray for more workers to bring God's grace & peace to Pollok.

25th October

We continue to pray for the NHS and ambulance service at this time. We pray for staff who are under enormous pressure and stress. Lord come and have your way; come and bring relieve and rest and reassurance where it is needed most.

26th October

Portlethen Christian Fellowship (ACF Church Plant) - Over the last year, we lost the momentum that we had gained over the last couple of years. But, we are grateful that the Lord has kept the core of our congregation in steady fellowship. We also thank the Lord for a renewed desire in the plant to focus on outreach and evangelism in the region. Pray for wisdom to balance the gathered and the outreach aspects of the plant.

27th October

Portobello BC – Give thanks for Portobello Baptist as they seek to be salt and light within the community in Portobello. Please pray for the church as they continue to meet online and seek to love God and love others during this season.

28th October

We give thanks for our brothers and sisters in other denominations and church streams at this time. Lord we pray that you will bless churches across Scotland and the UK as they seek your face at this time of transition and change.

29th October

Queen's Park BC – We give thanks for the Baptist community in Queen's Park in Glasgow. We give thanks for their work in the local community with a variety of people. We pray for the church family as they meet in-person or online and we pray that you would pour out your Spirit on the church in this season. May they receive from you wisdom, strength and provision from you as they continue to serve you.

30th October

Renfrew BC – We give thanks for Renfrew Baptist and we pray that God would equip them, enable them and energise the believers at this time as they continue to love and serve God in Refrew.

31st October

Please pray that the kingdom of God's rule and reign may break out within our nation. May many turn from darkness towards the light of Jesus. As Christians, may we be beacons of light in our communities as we share the love of Jesus with others.