



Prayer Guide

Summer 2021



Welcome...

...to the first edition of this prayer guide. We hope it helps you pray more effectively for those connected with this church who are serving the Lord through local and foreign missions and ministries, and for a number of ministries we have historically supported.

It's not perfect and we've probably missed someone out (not intentionally). Sorry if that is the case. We plan to update the guide a few times a year. If you have any corrections, proposed additions or specific prayer requests for anyone in the planner, please email missions@hamiltonroadbaptist.com.

WAYS TO USE...

- **In your personal devotions** - one item a day will get you through a month (with allowance for a missed day here and there), and then you can start over again!
- **With your family.** Why not keep it by the dinner table and incorporate it when you're saying grace.
- **With your partner.** Pray together over the Lord's work.
- **With other believers** - perhaps in your Growth Group or a Prayer Triplet.

1 LINDSEY HOLLEY & BIBLICA

Lindsey Holley works for Biblica, which aims to provide the Bible in accurate, contemporary translations and formats so that more people around the world will have the opportunity to be transformed by Jesus Christ. Lindsey is married to **Dawie** and is mum to **JJ, Seb and Charlie**. www.biblica.com



2 SCRIPTURE UNION

Rachel Tweedie is the Scripture Union E3 worker in our area engaged in establishing Bible teaching for children in schools and encouraging Christian teachers.

Remember also **Nikki Waugh** who has recently taken up the role of Administrator for SU Camps and Missions, and **David McCracken** who serves on the Executive Committee of SU Northern Ireland (SUNI).

Pray also for **Jeff & Joy Dodds** & others involved in SU Camps over the summer. www.suni.co.uk



3 NORTH AFRICA

Pray for a couple* with HRBC connections working among the Berber people in North Africa - as they seek to testify to God's love and care through postnatal services (including rescuing abandoned babies), by encouraging Berber believers and seeking to reach others through media evangelism.



4 BANGOR WORLDWIDE

For 85 years Bangor Worldwide convention has sought to promote and support world mission. For one week each August many hundreds of people of all ages gather to hear of God's work around the world, sit under the sound of God's Word, and actively support mission through prayer and giving.

Pray for the committee as they prepare for another uncertain year, and plan to attend if you can! Members from HRBC involved in the committee and other aspects include **Tania Baker, Sam Cowan, Eddie Curry, Keith McIlwaine, Cecil McWilliams** and **Jonathan Rea**. www.worldwidemission.org

WORLDWIDE

*Some of those we support work, or have worked, in sensitive situations and for safety are not named.

5 PERU



Baptist Missions has a long history of sending missionaries to Peru. In recent years the focus has shifted to strengthening the national churches by supporting and training indigenous workers. Radio ministry, theological training and literature distribution form part of the outreach, and a Bible College in Tacna seeks to build local workers. Many of the pastors work in difficult, remote situations, and churches have been heavily affected by COVID-19.



6 FLANNIGANS & CEF

Terry & Wilma Flannigan are able to help many thousands of children's workers with literature and training through the CEF Book Ministry and personal encouragement & pastoral ministry. www.CEFBookMinistry.com

Pray for God to provide funds for a big publishing project in Russia. Pray that many will make good use of the digital downloads available online. Pray for ongoing plans to publish more items with Revival Movement Association in Dromara.



7 GARY RICHMOND & THE EBS

The Evangelical Book Shop in Belfast seeks to make Christian resources accessible across Ireland so that the church is equipped in its task to share the gospel and teach the Bible. **Gary Richmond** has been involved with supporting the work in the Republic of Ireland, and also assisting with the Belfast store as well as supporting work in GB. COVID has brought significant challenges, as has the NI Protocol. Gary is married to **Claire**, and they are parents to **Elijah & Jotham**. www.evangelicalbookshop.co.uk/



8 PREPARING FOR MINISTRY

Philip Browne is doing a Masters in Theology in Germany in preparation for ministry. He is married to **Sara** and they have 2 daughters – **Rahel & Tabitha**. (*Philip is Andrew & Heather Browne's son.*)



9 REIDS & EET



In Spain an internet-based programme is training pastors and preparing young people to take up the challenges of reaching people for Christ. The "Evangelical School of Theology" (EET) is led by **Andrew & Ruth Reid** (Naomi, Ana, Reuben, Matthew) in Barcelona. www.escuelafeide.net



10 FAITH T.C., MYANMAR

Faith Theological College normally prepares men and women for gospel work in the challenging land of the Golden Temples, and engage in gospel outreach in Chin and Rakhine states. Remember **Pastor Samuel Lian**, the teaching staff, and students whose lives and plans have been overtaken by events in Myanmar.



11 AMBER HANAN, YWAM

Amber has taken a year out after her A Levels to train with YWAM in Paris, and then go with a team into Kosovo to work alongside local churches and ministries in their outreach work. www.ambermission.org | YwamFrance.com



12 ABAANA

Abaana is a Christian based charity which invests in children in Africa, helping them to break the chains of poverty through education. **Archie McAvoy** and **Jon Young** serve on the board, and many in HRBC sponsor children, have hosted New Life Choir members or have even been involved in teams working with street children in Kampala or helping build schools in various locations in Uganda. www.abaana.org



13 JONATHAN REA & NEW IRISH

New Irish Arts aim to encourage people to worship God, whether that be in equipping and giving opportunity to musicians or leading congregations and audiences in praise to our God. Several hundred volunteer musicians and an audio/visual team work together to produce a diverse programme of creative events, mostly centred around music. Wherever possible, they work in partnership with local churches and organisations across Ireland. **Jonathan Rea** leads New Irish as Creative Director, and others in HRBC are involved in the ministry. www.newirisharts.com



14 LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Sam Urey has just graduated from Irish Baptist College, and **Caleb Kyle** is finishing off a year as a Baptist Youth intern, working with Holywood Baptist. Pray for them as they seek God's will for their futures.

irishbaptistcollege.org | irishbaptistyouth.org



15 STUART & REACH ACROSS

Stuart Burnham is Ireland Coordinator for Reach Across - a ministry to Muslims. Remember him as he not only seeks to promote this work in churches, as he preaches and runs Momentum Yes courses, but also as he seeks to reach out to Muslims in our community himself through refugee and English language courses. Pray that doors that have been closed due to COVID will soon reopen. He is married to **Lorna** and they are parents to **Reuben, Bradley and Tolole**. <https://uk.reachacross.net/>



16 PAUL & LESLEY MCKNIGHT

Paul and Lesley and their 3 children (**Callum, Amy & Lydia**) are currently on home assignment from Papua New Guinea (PNG) where they serve with New Tribes Mission. They are due to return later this year, COVID infection rates permitting. Do pray for the land of PNG which has been heavily impacted by COVID, but where the gospel continues to spread. (*Paul is Harold and Dorothy McKnight's son.*) www.ntm.org.uk/



17 DEANES & PASSAGE WEST

Shane & Luana are leading a newly formed church in Passage West (Cork). This follows many years of faithful labour, and involvement from HRBC teams. Praise God for this development and pray that He would richly use this new fellowship for His glory. Their kids are **Talitha, Simeon & Dalia** <https://passagewestbaptist.ie/>



Where in the world?!

You'll find people and ministries in this prayer guide from all over the world!



“And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”

[Matthew 24:14](#)



MISSION
SUPPORT GROUPS

It's great to be able to pray for needs as they arise.

Would you be willing to receive timely mission prayer updates through WhatsApp?
(Usually no more than 2 or 3 messages a week.)

If so, message 07828575156 for details.



Kids' Corner

Hey kids! Some challenges for you...

1. In the map above, can you match the places to the days that they are mentioned on? Write the day numbers beside the place names.
2. Could you memorise the verse above? You could challenge your parents to do the same!

18 MEDINA SIDONIA, SPAIN



Pray for a couple* from HRBC seeking to share the gospel in the southern Spanish town of Medina Sidonia, in association with Baptist Missions. Pray that they would be able to return soon and also for believers, including Mario and Amuy Monroy (pictured), worshipping and working in the nearby towns of Jerez and Chiclana.



19 STUDENTS, CHRISTIAN UNIONS

University provides many opportunities to witness and serve the Lord, and a number from our fellowship are involved.

Over the last year this has included **Adam Barr**, serving as Treasurer with QUBCU, **Anna Heasley**, serving as Events & Evangelism Coordinator with University Of Manchester CU, **Rebecca Cameron** serving with Strathclyde CU, **Peter Carrigan** serving with the CU in Magee.

Remember also each of these young people as they look to their futures.

20 OPEN DOORS

Open Doors is an international ministry serving persecuted Christians and believers worldwide. It supplies Bibles, leadership training, literacy programmes, livelihood support and advocacy services, and mobilises Christians here to serve their brothers and sisters living under religious persecution. <https://www.opendoorsuk.org/>

Lord, you are at work all over the world through your Holy Spirit. Help us to stand with your children who are being persecuted for their faith in so many varying ways in so many countries. May they experience your presence and your support so that they know they are not in the battle alone. Thank you for their faith and passion for you; may it be an example to us as we pray, encourage in prayerful and practical ways, and speak out on their behalf. Amen.



21 COWANS & SCFS

Sam & Pauline Cowan work with Seamen's Christian Friends Society to share the Gospel with sailors visiting Belfast port, passing on Bibles & literature in many languages. COVID has brought challenges, but has also led to increased opportunities for Sam to minister and encourage remotely, even after ships have left port! **Archie McAvoey & Andrew Browne** both serve on the SCFS board, and **Caleb Kyle** works in their Dundonald HQ. www.scfs.org



22 CHRISTIANS IN SPORT

Christians in Sport seeks to encourage and equip Christian sportspeople who play in local clubs and teams across Northern Ireland to share their faith with their teammates. **Jenny McClaughlin** (wife to **Johnny**, mum to **Jonah**, **Maisie** & **Jenson**) is employed part time to help organise Sports Plus camps in the summer. Others involved in this ministry include **Johnny**, **Keith**, **Dawie Holley** and **Gavin & Sara McCrea**. www.christiansinsport.org.uk



23 PREPARING FOR MINISTRY

Stephen Cassells is preparing to become a military chaplain. Pray for him as he builds experience through preaching, acting as chaplain for 1st Bangor Juniors, seeking to build relationships with soldiers and their families, and undertakes the intensive application & preparation process – including officer training. Do remember his family also – wife **Lydia** and kids **Caleb**, **Calvin**, and **Amelia**.



24 TEARFUND

Tearfund works in more than 50 countries through local churches and Christian organizations - those most in-tune with local needs, people and resources - and advocates on behalf of the people to local and regional governments.

Whilst Tearfund donates directly in emergencies, its main modus operandi is to teach, train and assist the local people to use what resources they have to work their way out of the situation of poverty in which they find themselves. It seeks to help local churches touch the lives of their community - showing and teaching the love of Jesus.

Remember **Trevor Anderson** in his role as a representative. www.tearfund.org/



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OUR MISSIONS POLICY

The Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20) calls us to proclaim the life changing message of the gospel to all nations. We want to sense God's heart of compassion for a lost world. We believe it is a vital part of church life to engage intentionally in local and international outreach. We want to play our part by engaging in global missions by sending out members on long and short term assignments. We partner with those who have a strong gospel ethos desiring that young and old come to a living faith in Christ. We sense an urgency as many are passing into eternity without Christ.

HRBC Missions Board and Elders seek to encourage all members to take the opportunity to be involved prayerfully and financially in our commitment to global mission. The Board ensures good accountability of resources and personnel.

25 PREPARING FOR MINISTRY

After a number of years of camp ministry in Canada, **Rhys Loftus** was recently accepted as an intern with the Metropolitan Bible Church in Ottawa. Remember him as he prepares for this, as well as his forthcoming wedding in July to **Robyn**.

www.metbiblechurch.ca/internship



26 MOORES & ACTS 29



Philip & Rachel Moore, formerly of HRBC, are seeking to establish new churches in France and around Europe, working with Acts 29 and in conjunction with Baptist Missions. Kids: **Julia, Anna, Abigail, Theo & Zoe**. www.acts29.com



ACTS 29
churches planting churches

SHORT-TERM PLACEMENTS

Our short-term support fund is available to those in our church wishing to participate in short-term missionary work, typically one month to one year, with a recognised missionary organisation.

WANT TO TALK?

If you'd like to discuss mission opportunities further, speak to an elder, anyone on the Missions Board or contact missions@hamiltonroadbaptist.com.

SUMMER

Are you serving the Lord this summer?
Let us know so that we can support you!

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