Something to think about ...

### Welcome

to the Woodlands

Summer Prayer Diary. We hope this encourages you to pray for our missionaries and others as they serve God this summer.

This is not a complete diary of events or activities.

If you have anything that you would like prayer for please text Susan McKay on 075 6814 1050.

The diary will also be available on the church website www.woodlandschurch.co.uk and can be updated - if you have anything you would like added or updated please text Maggi Holmes 07892804563 or email media@woodlandschurch.co.uk

#### Prayer

'To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing. MARTIN LUTHER

'Prayer is crucial in evangelism: Only God can change the heart ... No matter how logical our arguments or how fervent our appeals, our words will accomplish nothing unless God's Spirit prepares the way.'

BILLY GRAHAM

#### Be silent

'We live in a noisy world full of distractions. Whether you love or hate silence, there is an amazing peace and connection to God to be found in practicing stillness.

> "Step out of traffic, take a long loving look at me..." Psalm 46:10

Try building times of silence and stillness into your day. Choose a time and place with few distractions. Turn off your phone, computer, music and any other sources of noise or connection. If you find silence hard just try 3 minutes and build from there. If you find your head full of unwanted thoughts give each one to God and consciously keep focusing back on Him. Breath deeply and slowly and invite the Holy Spirit to meet with you.'

https://www.24-7prayer.com/prayer/prayerideas

IMMER You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit-fruit that will last-and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. -**JOHN 15v16** 

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If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

2 CHRONICLES 7V14

Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.

JEREMIAH 33V3

## June 29-July 5

**Hebrews 4:16** Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

**Steve & Lorna** July 1-5 OMF conference in Chiang Mai. Lorna helping set up for it. Expecting 1500 people as we celebrate 150 years of CIM/OMF International. Pray for a deep ministry of the Holy Spirit to permeate our worship, teaching and times of reflection. **Peter (Adri) Paul and Dan** pray for these young men and Adri (Pete's girlfriend) that they would encounter God and surrender their lives to Him. Pray for healing for Dan.

**Paul Martin** SU Outdoor pursuit camp Greenhill Newcastle 5-11 July

Jonathan Parkes - CSSM Ballyholme 4-18 July

**Les and Pam** on holiday from 4 July for 3 weeks - pray for rest, refreshment, time together

**Caroline & Stuart, Joel, Caleb, Eli & Mollie** Pray they will enjoy family time over the summer together before moving to Abbots Cross Presbyterian in September

Alan and Sally Moore (Cavanaleck & Aughentaine) meeting with prayer team 4 July - how to encourage others to pray.

Africare Brian and Hazel Dorman

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

**Prison Fellowship -** pray for children's work over the summer

Sunday services: AM David Millen PM Myles Tyrell

## July 6-12

**Psalm 91:14-16** "Because he loves me, says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call on me,and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honour him. With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

Seniors meet on 7 July

**Pray for our country at this time of year** that throughout all the marches peace will prevail. Pray for our politicians and leaders.

**Terry K** - that he will know God's closeness and love. Pray for discernment around many things he is asked to do.

Les & Pam on holiday - pray for refreshment

Jonathan Parkes - CSSM Ballyholme 4-18 July

**Paul Martin** SU Outdoor pursuit camp Greenhill Newcastle 5-11 July

**Prison Fellowship** - pray for the men who gave theirs lives to Christ that He will keep them and they will start to grow in their new found faith and that PF can follow them up.

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

**Steve & Lorna** Our son Peter and his girlfriend Adri (El Salvador) will be with us all of July, leaving Aug 9. Pray for good times together as a family (Paul and Dan) and opportunities to share deeply.

July 12 **Steve** preaching (10.30 AM UK time)

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11-17 July - Portstewart convention www.keswickatportstewart.org/

Sunday services: AM Martin Bakker PM David Millen

# July 13-19

**Romans 8:26** In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.

#### Les and Pam on holiday

Romania team 12-24 July - Myles, Chris Stuart, Tony, Cameron, Adam, Ali, Gillian, Emma, Jill, Olivia, Judith - safety, health, travel that God would be the centre.

Jonathan Parkes - CSSM Ballyholme 4-18 July

**Prison Fellowship** - pray for Christians in our prisons whether prisoners or staff - that thy might shine for Him in the darkness.

Pray for children's work over the summer

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

**Steve and Lorna** July 16-24 Dan Chalis (a friend from Manchester) coming on a short term mission. Pray that he will settle quickly and grow in his understanding of cross cultural ministry. Pray that God will use his experience in Chiang Mai to guide his future.

#### Steve Lorna Peter (Adri) Paul and Dan

Mark Holmes St Mark's, Melbourne 14 July planning meeting for New Year youth mission trip.

11-17 July - Portstewart convention www.keswickatportstewart.org/

Sunday services: AM Robin Scott PM Peter Drysdale

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### July 20-26

Haggai 1:7 "Consider your ways…"

**Pray for each other -** that we would stay close to God and look to His leading in our lives, let Him stir your heart.

Caroline & Stuart - Joel, Caleb, Eli & Mollie as Stuart prepares to begin as student assistant at Abbots Cross Presbyterian. Pray that God will prepare congregation for their arrival and take them to their hearts.

Marty and Maggi - Christians in Sports Plus Camp Belfast 18-24 July.

Robin & Joy on holiday 25 July for 2 weeks

Potter's House - Thursdays 11-2 PM

Alan and Sally Moore (Cavanaleck & Aughentaine) Sally leading HBC 20-26 July 10.00-12.15 PM daily

**SU Camp Scotland-** Mark Loughins and Ewan Milburn (campers)

**Prison Fellowship** - pray for Neil after care worker in his role - wisdom and discernment

Steve and Lorna July 26 Steve preaching Peter (Adri) Paul and Dan

Mark H St Mark's, Melbourne - growth groups for young people

Chris and Candice Colgan, City on a Hill, Melbourne

Sunday services: AM Martin Bakker PM Jim Loughins

# July 27-Aug 2

Psalm 23:2-3 ... he leads me beside still waters, he restores my soul ...

Robin & Joy on holiday 25 July for 2 weeks

Terry Kirkpatrick - **SU Belfast 'It's your move'**- 27 July -3 August

**Steve and Lorna** August series of sermons are on our new focus for small groups, called 'Encounter groups'' Encountering God, each other, ourselves and the world. Pray for good communication and that more people will become involved. Pray for the Encounter Group committee as we implement the changes after months of preparation.

**SU New Horizon** 1-7 August: Myles, Judith, Ali, Cameron

Sandy Row 28 July-1 August - Chris (leader), Gary, Aimee, Jonny, Olivia, Adam, Andy, Joel, Scott, Tony, Chloe, Michael, Evan

Pray for those who are preparing to lead DiscipleLife over next few weeks.

Lynsey and Stephen as they lead GB and BB and look to new year.

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

**St Mark's Melbourne** - 31 July - Interchurch Youth event 'Youth Alive'

Sunday services: AM Leslie Addis PM Leslie Addis

### Aug 3-9

Phil 4:7 ... and the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Seniors meet 4 August - pray for those who do not know Jesus that God would open their eyes and hearts

Robin & Joy on holiday 25 July for 2 weeks

CAP ongoing work with debt

Martin Bakker returns to Denver Seminary on 4 August to resume his studies. Pray for continued good health

**Pray** for ongoing work of mission agencies, eg OMF and Interserve - pray that more folk would hear God's call to make disciples.

Alan and Sally Moore (Cavanaleck & Aughentaine) Pray for Emma and Danielle difficulties being separated as a family -God would bring them close to Him again.

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

Steve & Lorna - Steve preaching 9 Aug Peter (Adri) Paul and Dan

**Prison Fellowship** - thank God that prisons are open to allowing PF workers in.

25 July-15 Aug **Mark** in charge of youth at St Mark's

Sunday services: AM Myles Tyrell PM Ian Drysdale

### Aug 10-16

Jeremiah 29:11-12 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you."

**Caroline & Stuart, Joel, Caleb, Eli & Mollie** as Stuart prepares to begin as student assistant at Abbots Cross Presbyterian

Pray for our own times with God - that we will make time to rest in Him, to hear Him speak and to obey His call to 'Rise Up and Build'

**Terry K -** Pray for wisdom as he makes decision about the future

**AS & A Level** 13 Aug - pray for futures of our young people

Church in Chiang Mai - Aug 10 Schools start back after the summer break

Steve Lorna Peter (Adri) Paul and Dan

Pray for **Prison Fellowship** - Robin as he leads the team.

**Our elders/session** - as they look to God for His leading

**Committee** - as they look to steward in a Godly way the finance and properties of the Church

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

**Pray** for our young people that they won't drift over the summer. That He will guard their hearts, minds and actions.

16 Aug **Mark** preaching at evening service St Mark's (10.00 AM UK time)

Sunday services: AM Ian Drysdale PM Myles Tyrell/Chris Conn

## Aug 17-23

Hebrews 13:5 ...'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you'...

**Pray for each other** that we would not be afraid to get involved in DiscipleLife over the next few weeks.

**HBC** 17-23 August for Ann and Rebekah as they lead groups, safety, fun, weather.

Kyle Alexander and Mark Loughins - SU soccer camp 18-22 Aug

GCSE results 20 Aug pray for futures of our young people

**Church in Chiang Mai** - Aug 22 meeting to discuss how we can use one of the large spaces for more strategic outreach. It was previously used as a library (holding 15,000 books).

Aug 23 Steve preaching

Steve, Lorna, Peter, (Adri) Paul and Dan

Lynsey and Stephen as they lead GB and BB teams and look to new year.

**Alan & Sally Moore** as they go on holiday 17 August to 1 September

Bangor Missionary Convention 21-29 Aug www.worldwidemission.org/year/2015

Pray for **politicians** local and UK

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

**Prison Fellowship** - pray for continued work of Sycamore tree

Mark H on leave 18-24 Aug - rest, recovery and time with God

Sunday services AM Leslie Addis PM HBC

# Aug 24-30

**Isaiah 43:18-19**- 'Forget the former things do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it.

**Pray for each other** that we would intentionally make time for DiscipleLife Sunday or Wednesday evenings.

Seniors meet on 1 September

Caroline & Stuart, Joel, Caleb, Eli & Mollie - as Stuart begins as student assistant at Abbots Cross Presbyterian. Pray for relationships and settling in and that they will be welcomed.

Alan and Sally Moore (Cavanaleck & Aughentaine) - pray for Emma and fiance Adrian who are getting married 4 December.

Potter's House - Thursday 11-2 PM

**Pray** - GB, BB, TreeTots, Ladies Bible study group, King's Kids, ARK, YF, Seniors, WOW

**Prison Fellowship** - pray for those who work with families.

**Steve and Lorna** Aug 26 Daniel's visa runs out today. Pray he will be able to secure a new one. Pray for God's hand on this young man.

Aug 30 Steve preaching

Chris and Candice expecting first baby in November. Pray for health and safety.

Sunday services: AM Leslie Addis PM Prayer