

# Let's Pray

**Sun 23 March - Sat 29 March** 2025

## **Sunday 23 March**

- **Moderator** | The Moderator will be leading a service at Woodvale congregation an occasion for thanksgiving for the history and witness of the congregation for over 130 years. In the evening he will be attending a PW Link Rally. Give thanks for the work and ministry of the PW (Presbyterian Women) in many of PCI's congregations.
- Worship: Expressing our praise | As we worship today ask God to help us to do so with hearts grateful and thankful for all that he is to us and does for us.

## **Monday 24 March**

- **St Petersburg Christian University, Russia** | Pray for the theological students at the university as they prepare to become pastors and leaders in churches throughout Russia. Pray for the lecturers and support staff as they prepare course work, provide pastoral care for the students and seek godly wisdom for every situation.
- **Persecuted Church** | Pray for the countless Christians in many countries who are facing daily persecution and often death for following Jesus. Pray that they may have resilience in the face of danger and know God's presence and enabling in every situation. Remember the agencies who are supporting them in practical ways. Praise God that in spite of persecution the Church in many of these countries is growing rapidly.

## **Tuesday 25 March**

- **Trinity Cork and Aghada** | Give thanks for the work of Gavin Doyle (community outreach worker), praying particularly for the ongoing English language classes and Christianity Explored course. Pray for the members of Aghada to live for the glory of God all the more.
- **South Belfast Friendship House** | Pray for the new programme developments, which include a women's Bible study and a men's breakfast. Give thanks for the women who have recently given their lives to Jesus.

## Wednesday 26 March

- Volker & Jinhyeog Glissmann, global mission workers, Southern Africa | Pray for the Glissmann family currently living in Malawi, especially their health and safety. The situation in the country has been difficult in recent months with rampant inflation and lack of fuel. There has also been civil unrest with demonstrations against the cost of living and high prices for essential goods.
- **Leaders In Training** | Give thanks for PCI's partners around the world, especially their members being trained for leadership roles in church and mission through scholarships from the Council for Global Mission through United Appeal funding. Pray for those whose studies take them away from their families, especially that they may know God's strength and encouragement in their studies and deepening relationships with him.

#### **Thursday 27 March**

- **Gary O'Rourke, mission pioneer, The Village Project** | *Pray for growing trust, shared vision and open hearts to the gospel's message of hope. Pray also that as new events and outreach initiatives develop, many in the community will be drawn to explore faith and experience God's love.*
- Ballina & Killala | Pray that these congregations would know the Lord's presence and a clear sense of his leading and guiding for the future.

#### Friday 28 March

- **Disabilities** | Pray for families who provide love and care for children and/or adults with disabilities learning, physical, visual/ sensory impairment or a combination of these. Give thanks for the support provided by government, charities and the Church. Pray for an increased awareness and understanding of the needs of people living with a disability that sees them more fully involved and integrated into all areas of society, including education, employment, recreation, and church.
- **Hospitality Industry** | Give thanks for opportunities to enjoy a cup of coffee or a meal with friends and family in the many establishments across the island of Ireland. Pray for the safety of those working in the food and hospitality industries, and for business owners as they balance rising costs and challenges in recruiting staff.

#### Saturday 29 March

- **General Council** | Pray for PCI's IT department, led by Steve McMurray. Pray for the staff of the department as they implement changes to the system and work in an increasingly difficult environment to protect the computing function against cyber-attack.
- **Training in Ministry** | *Members of the Conciliation Service are meeting today for training in Union College. Pray for Rev Paul Jamieson, panel convener, as he leads the training, and for conciliators as they seek to serve the Church in this important way.*