

help children explore the Bible in schools. Pray for protection on this work of SU, that they would be enabled to continue to reach this current generation with the good news of Jesus. Uphold Alistair as he gives a talk on Growing Leaders at the Deacons' Search Group this evening.

Th 24

Give thanks for those who serve on our DBCC Operational Board. Uphold Alistair as he chairs their meeting this evening.

F 25

Give thanks for the young people who have signed up to go to Rwanda this summer with SU Scotland. Pray for wisdom and equipping for Helen Moss who is the overall leader of the team, that the right youngsters will be selected and that any problems and practicalities will be dealt with effectively and timely.

Sa 26

Give thanks for work started on demolishing, clearing and refurbishing on the old Pencil Factory site in Keswick as part of the Derwent Project. Pray planning permission will be granted as it goes before the Lake District National Park planners next month.

Su 27

Uphold David as he continues "Good News For All" this am and Willie Taylor preaching "Seek True Wisdom" this eve. Pray for David Currie as he leads worship at this am's Family Service at

Brisbane Evangelical Church in Largs then speaks and sings at their monthly Café Church this eve. Pray this week for Bearsden, Arran and Ayr Baptist Churches.

M 28

Pray for the work of the Baptist World Alliance as they seek to highlight justice issues and promote freedom of religion. Pray Rev Dr Elijah Brown, the new General Secretary of the BWA, would be given wisdom and creativity as he serves the worldwide Baptist Community.

Tu 29

Let's give thanks for all the children and young people who attend DBC. Pray parents will have the boldness to share their own faith experiences with their children and for comfort and peace for those whose children are going through a rough patch in their faith. May every child sense God's heart for them.

W 30

In this Homelessness Action Week, pray churches across Scotland will seek to connect with homeless people in their local area and challenge those with power to change the policies that give rise to homelessness.

Th 31

Pray more people will commit to practical action and financial support of organisations working with the homeless, such as the Bethany Christian Trust who run Drop-Ins and a Supported Housing Project in Dumfries.

Dumfries Baptist Church

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Prayer Diary

January 2019

Tu 1

As we start a new year let's praise God for the incredible ways He takes our small actions and turns them into lasting change for His glory. Give thanks for using us to help build His kingdom and pray He would open our eyes to ways and opportunities in which we can make a difference.

W 2

Pray for Phil and Louise as they spend 3 days at the IMC Birmingham Gathering in preparation for their return to work in Bangladesh.

Th 3

Give thanks for the teaching programme Alistair and David have drawn up for this year and for the boldness in their plans to deepen our spirituality. Pray as we study the Bible each week we may be encouraged, exhorted and better equipped to live our lives in a way that pleases God.

F 4

Remember Janet Mitchell who is off to Bangladesh this month until the end of March to work with Tearfund's partner "Baptist

Aid." Pray for safety and good relationships within the team as they work on a Community Children's Project, providing much-needed education and supporting children's rights in their community.

Sa 5

Praise God for the wonderful range of hymns and songs we use to worship. Remember our worship group leaders as they plan to meet for a review of the music and songs used in our corporate worship. Pray for wisdom as they seek to identify suitable new songs to introduce over the course of 2019.

Su 6

Remember Alistair, Phil and Louise who will be speaking at this am's service: "Opening Doors." Uphold Alistair as he commences a new study series from Proverbs this eve: "Wisdom For Living" with "What Is Wisdom?" Pray for a safe journey to Bangladesh as Phil and Louise fly back this evening. Remember Aberdeen Christian Fellowship and Abbeyhill and Adelaide Place

Baptist Churches this week in prayer.

M 7

As our schools return, give thanks for the privilege of education that we have in this nation and for the teachers who give of themselves to this work. Pray for grace for teachers to teach and support effectively.

Tu 8

Give thanks for the opportunities our new church centre is offering to the community and to other churches through its use. Pray for unity and partnership working within the churches in our town as the Dumfries ministers meet for prayer today.

W 9

Give thanks for the lives touched and changed through the recent Alpha Course at DBC. Praise God that at least one person on the course has given their heart to the Lord and another is asking about Baptism. Pray the Holy Spirit will continue to work in the lives of others who are seeking.

Th 10

Uphold Alistair as he visits Simon Dawson, the minister at New Cumnock Baptist Church. Pray for a mutual time of support and encouragement as they share together.

F 11

Give thanks that Liz McGuinness has been accepted onto the Bridge Asia OMF Scotland team as a mission presenter, whereby she will present and preach on

world mission in churches who invite her. Pray Liz will be enabled to use the gifts she developed at Tilsley last year to serve God in this way.

Sa 12

Pray for GP's, district nurses, health visitors, midwives and other Allied Health Workers who are often under pressure as they work in community-based services outside of hospitals and as they tend to be busier during winter months.

Su 13

Uphold David and Alistair as they begin a new study series from Acts this am with "Good News For All" and as Alistair preaches "Who Needs Wisdom?" this eve. As we hold our Covenant and Commissioning Service this am let's rededicate all that we have and are to the Lord. Pray this week for Alloa, Airdrie and Alexandria Baptist Churches.

M 14

Give thanks for those who helped to facilitate the recent Alpha Course as they meet for a feedback session tonight. Pray for a suitable follow-up course to offer to those who attended to be identified. Uphold Alistair as he attends a Keswick Ministries Pastoral Refreshment Conference Planning Meeting.

Tu 15

Give thanks for those within our fellowship who are willing to invest time, creativity and resources into our children and

young people's ministries. Pray the youngsters will get ready to step up and take their place as young leaders in our church and communities and that the older generation will give them responsibility and trust.

W 16

Give thanks for all the adults and children who attended the Toddler Group Christmas Parties last month and heard the real message of Christmas. This is an ever-growing group, so pray for fun and safety and for good relationships to be built up, but also for the evangelical opportunities that may arise.

Th 17

Friendship Hour starts the new year with a photographic trip to Wales with Ian Penn. Give thanks for new people coming along and for friendships formed. Uphold Alistair as he meets his mentor Pater Maiden in Carlisle and the Pastoral Care Team as they meet this evening.

F 18

Pray for effective communication to promote SU Holidays and that brochures will be warmly received into schools. Most of the marketing is now done online so pray that adverts and posts on social media reach the right people and that they take the time to respond, so every holiday place will be filled and every opportunity taken!

Sa 19

Pray for Andy and Claire

Feather and family as they continue to settle in Dumfries and after Andy's stay in hospital last month. Pray for Andy's health and that he will build up strong relationships between volunteers and young people as he seeks to create opportunities and links into the community.

Su 20

Uphold Alistair preaching "Good News For All" this am and Alistair Mackay preaching "Wisdom For Living-The Fear Of The Lord" this eve. Pray this week for Alness, Alva and Ardbeg (Rothesay) Baptist Churches.

M 21

Pray for mums and carers who are new to the toddler groups, that they would soon settle and make friends and find it a welcoming place. Pray for strong relationships to be built on as they all get to know one another and the leaders.

Tu 22

Liz McGuinness and David Currie are attending the mini Bible School "Christianity and the Healthy Mind" from a biblical and clinical perspective tonight and Thursday at the Glo Centre in Motherwell. Pray for all who attend and for the speakers.

W 23

Today is SU Scotland's Day Of Prayer, a day set apart to focus prayer on all aspects of their ministry. Praise God for the amazing opportunities given to