



PRESBYTERY OF NORTH EAST & NORTHERN ISLES

PRAYER SUPPLEMENT - SEPTEMBER 2023

Please use the Supplement, along with **PRAYER POINTS JULY-SEPTEMBER**, in personal prayer, but also encourage their use in church services/meetings, study & prayer groups.

They cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. Psalm 107: 28

As we turn to God and begin relying on his wisdom and strength, things often begin to shift and re-shape...we discover the God, who alone is capable of profoundly transforming even our most dire predicaments and answering our most vexing questions....

The One to whom we pray brings hope out of despair and beauty out of ruin.

But it is God who, (in his time – not ours), enacts the transformation.

PRAYER IS HOW WE PARTICIPATE IN THE TRANSFORMING WORK GOD IS DOING

Winn Collier Our Daily Bread Ministries 16 Jul 23

1ST – 9TH SEPTEMBER

- **Sat 2 Sep – NENI Presbytery Conference Day**, Fountainhall at the Cross. *Father, bless the Guest Speaker, Katie McLean, and all who attend in person or online. Grant grace and good decision-making, patience & good humour, particularly concerning Moray Presbytery Plan. Keep the day free of technical hitches and frustration.*
- Apologies to Depute Clerk Eunice for wrong spelling of surname in ‘Prayer Points’. *We continue to uphold our Presbytery Clerks, **Rev Elspeth McKay** still undergoing treatment, and Deputies, **Eunice McConnach and Ruth McKenzie**. Please strengthen and empower them for the task.*
- **Sun 3 Sep – Union & Introduction Bennachie** (Chapel of Garioch, Monymusk, Echt, Kemnay & Kintore). *Lord God, bless Revs Euan Glenn, Sheila Mitchell, & Neil Meyer and their congregations with a sense of hope and your wisdom and grace in their relationships.*
- **Buildings Officer - Rev Ian Murray**. *Lord, you are the ultimate Architect and Builder of your Kingdom. You designed and arranged for gifted people to make and maintain The Tabernacle. We thank for Ian and the massive amount of work he does and people he helps in his work. Protect him in his travels over this vast Presbytery and keep him well and strong.*

10TH – 16TH SEPTEMBER

- **Sun 10 Sep – Service of Union & Introduction - West Gordon** (Alford, Rhynie & Strathdon) Rev Dr John Cook and MDS: Rev Simon Crouch OLM, *Lord, bless, and make them a blessing as they continue to minister in this area.*
- Some 8 ministers are off work ill. *Please lay your healing hand on struggling minds and bodies*
- Pastoral Support – Led by Rev Eddie McKenna. [See Committee Lists].

17TH – 23RD SEPTEMBER

- Thu 21 Sep – 2pm – Business Ctee meeting
- Committee Conveners, especially new ones [Rev Neil Meyer (Congregational Support) and Rev David Stewart (Training & Development for M&M)] as they get to know new members and work out how to help more people engage and share the work. [Prayer Points Jul-Sep for other Conveners.]

24TH – 30TH SEPTEMBER

*...growth is less a target to be attained than the fruit of or relationship with Jesus Christ. Which is why **nothing is more important for the life of the church... than for its members to go deeper into God in prayer.***

Robert Atwell, p.1 *How Village Churches Thrive* [Being used by Missional Book-Reading Group]

- Pray for your own Kirk Session and members and those of your Parish Grouping as well as the charges either side of your location (naming as many as you can) that they and you will go deeper into God in prayer.