



THE CHRISTIAN  
INSTITUTE

# Week of prayer

AUTUMN 2024

JOIN US:  
27 OCT - 2 NOV

*"I urge, then, first of all,  
that requests, prayers,  
intercession and  
thanksgiving be  
made for everyone -  
for kings and all those  
in authority"*

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-2

PRAY FOR

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THOSE IN  
AUTHORITY

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Sunday

## THOSE IN AUTHORITY

The new UK Government and MPs have been appointed by God. They need our prayers.

*“for there is no authority except that which God has established”* **ROMANS 13:1**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- For the Prime Minister, his Government and the leaders of the opposition parties;
- For the First Ministers and governments at Holyrood, Cardiff Bay and Stormont;
- That God will bless all our national and local leaders with wisdom and integrity to restrain evil and promote what is good.

Monday

## FREE SPEECH

We have a rich heritage of freedom in our nation. We must protect the liberty to publicly live out a faithful Christian life.

*“For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.”*

**ACTS 4:20**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- Giving thanks that the Gospel can be freely proclaimed in the UK;
- That the UK Government will turn back from its plans to record even more 'non-crime hate incidents'. NCHIs have previously been used to try to silence Christian beliefs;
- That those in authority will champion rather than restrict free speech, whether online or 'on the street';
- That academics and students will feel able to speak freely at our universities;
- For our ongoing work on a Street Preachers' Charter.



Tuesday

## 'CONVERSION THERAPY' LAWS

Activists want to outlaw preaching, prayer, pastoral care and parenting that do not align with their LGBT theology.

*“For I have not hesitated to proclaim to you the whole will of God.”*

**ACTS 20:27**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- For our Let Us Pray campaign as it seeks to help Christians understand the dangers of a broad new law against 'conversion therapy';
- Giving thanks that the Scottish Government has acknowledged the legal difficulties surrounding its proposals for a new law;
- That the planned draft Bill at Westminster will be dropped;
- That churches and parents will remain free to teach faithfully on sexual ethics.

Wednesday

## SANCTITY OF LIFE

All people are uniquely valuable, because we are all made by God in his image.

*“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.”*

**PSALM 139:14**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- With thanksgiving that there is increasing exposure of the dangers and injustice of assisted suicide laws;
- That the various attempts to introduce assisted suicide around the British Isles will fail;
- For high-quality palliative care to be made available to all who need it;
- That politicians and wider society will recognise the evil of abortion and do more to protect mothers and the unborn.

Thursday

## TRANSGENDER IDEOLOGY

Transgender ideology seeks to destroy the distinction between men and women that God in his wisdom has created.

*“‘Haven't you read,’ he replied, ‘that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female’”*

**MATTHEW 19:4**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- With thanksgiving for increasing recognition of the harms of transgender ideology;
- That the UK's temporary bans on prescribing puberty blockers to gender-questioning children will be made permanent;
- Giving thanks that the Cass Review's recommendations to protect vulnerable children from irreversible medical intervention are being widely adopted;
- That trans-affirming lobby groups will lose influence in the public square.

Friday

## SCHOOLS

School should be a place where Christians are free to talk about their beliefs.

*“See that you do not look down on one of these little ones”*

**MATTHEW 18:10**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- For the Government to implement guidance for schools in England that safeguards pupils and teachers from gender ideology;
- That attempts to force post-primary schools in Northern Ireland to teach contentious issues like abortion will fail;
- For our education team, who every week are helping parents, teachers and governors to be salt and light in their schools;
- That God will bless all those seeking to have a positive influence in schools.

Saturday

## THE CI

We greatly value your prayers for our work and for all our staff around the UK.

*“Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain.”*

**1 CORINTHIANS 15:58**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- For wisdom for our new Director, Ciarán Kelly, and our Trustees as they lead the Institute;
- That God will guide us as we seek to recruit new staff;
- Giving thanks for opportunities to speak about our work at hundreds of churches and conferences. Pray for more openings across the UK and Republic of Ireland;
- For more opportunities to reach politicians and the media with our concerns.

*“Pray continually”* **1 THESSALONIANS 5:17**

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