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# Week of prayer

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JOIN US:  
25 APRIL – 1 MAY

*I will say of the LORD,  
“He is my refuge and  
my fortress, my God,  
in whom I trust.”*

PSALM 91:2

**PRAY FOR**

*Sunday*  
**AUTHORITIES**

*Monday*  
**SOCIETY**

*Tuesday*  
**SECULAR HUMANISM**

*Wednesday*  
**FREE SPEECH**

*Thursday*  
**SANCTITY OF LIFE**

*Friday*  
**CHILDREN**

*Saturday*  
**GOSPEL FREEDOM**



Sunday

## THOSE IN AUTHORITY

The authorities that exist have been established by God (Romans 13:1). They are God's servants (v6). We should pray for them.

*Pray first “for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” 1 TIMOTHY 2:2*

### PLEASE PRAY:

- For wisdom for the Queen, Prime Minister and all those in national and local government;
- That MLAs, MPs and Peers will promote what is good and restrain evil;
- For believers working in politics, the civil service and the judiciary to act as salt and light;
- For God to raise up more leaders in our national life who follow Christ.

Monday

## SOCIETY

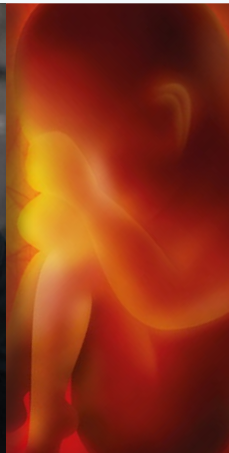
There is constant pressure to move away from God's good instructions for his world.

*“Seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.”*

**JEREMIAH 29:7**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- For the CI, as we seek to bring Christian influence to secular society;
- For the country as we recover from Covid-19;
- That recreational drug use will not be decriminalised;
- For evangelicals to be portrayed fairly in mainstream media.



Tuesday

## SECULAR HUMANISM

Our nation has been blessed because of the impact of Christian values in education, healthcare, justice – in fact all areas of society.

*“Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.”*

**ROMANS 12:2**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- That attempts by secular humanists to marginalise Christianity in the public sphere will not succeed;
- For Wales, where the Government has replaced Religious Education with a new subject which includes the compulsory teaching of secular humanism;
- That what has happened in Wales will not spread to the rest of the UK.

Wednesday

## FREE SPEECH

Free speech risks being undermined by the illiberal idea that everyone has the right not to be offended.

*“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.”* **1 PETER 3:15**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- Giving thanks for the freedom to disagree with same-sex relationships and transgender ideology. Pray it continues to be protected;
- That proposals for major free speech restrictions to curb ‘hate crime’ will not be implemented;
- For the police as they uphold good laws on free speech, including the freedom to share the Gospel publicly.

Thursday

## SANCTITY OF LIFE

Last year, abortion was once again responsible for the most deaths worldwide.

*“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 the blanket use of Do Not Resuscitate orders has been exposed;
- That the Bill to end abortion on the ground of disability in NI will succeed;
- Thanking God for the strong opposition to the Rol’s draft assisted suicide law. Pray it will be dropped completely.

Friday

## CHILDREN

Today's children are being bombarded with inappropriate images and ideas.

*“...Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them”* **MATTHEW 19:14**

### PLEASE PRAY:

- Giving thanks for the recent ruling at London's High Court to protect children from 'sex-swap' hormones. Pray it will be upheld at the appeal in June;
- That schools will respect parents' responsibility to protect children from inappropriate sex education and harmful transgender ideology.

Saturday

## GOSPEL FREEDOM

The Gospel is good news. Christians should not be hindered from making it known to anyone.

*“Pray...that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains.”*

**EPHESIANS 6:19-20**



### PLEASE PRAY:

- That plans to ban so-called conversion therapy will not outlaw the ordinary work of churches;
- For our legal team in their work helping those in difficulty for their Christian beliefs;
- For Kenneth Ferguson, sacked for his beliefs on biblical marriage. His case against the Robertson Trust resumes on 10 May; pray it will be successful;
- For a just outcome in Stirling Free Church's religious discrimination case – also against The Robertson Trust;
- That God in his mercy would grant repentance and revival in the UK.

*“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”* **ROMANS 12:12**

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