



THE CHRISTIAN
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Week of prayer

SPRING 2025

JOIN US:
13 - 19 APRIL



*“Devote yourselves
to prayer, being
watchful and
thankful”* **COLOSSIANS 4:2**

PRAY FOR

Sunday
SANCTITY OF LIFE

Monday
SOCIETY

Tuesday
MARRIAGE

Wednesday
**CHILDREN
AND FAMILIES**

Thursday
**CONVERSION
THERAPY**

Friday
**CHRISTIAN
WITNESS**

Saturday
**THE
CI TEAM**

Sunday

SANCTITY OF LIFE

Human life is intrinsically valuable because we are made in God's image.

“All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be” **PSALM 139:16**

PLEASE PRAY:

- That the assisted suicide Bills at Westminster and Holyrood will be rejected;
- For high-quality palliative care to be made available to all who need it;
- For continued media coverage of the dangers of legalising assisted suicide;
- That the lives of unborn children will be cherished by all;
- That the Crime and Policing Bill will not be hijacked to decriminalise abortion.

Monday

SOCIETY

Christians are called to act as salt and light in this world. We must resist society's shift towards secular values.

“You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world” **MATTHEW 5:13-14**

PLEASE PRAY:

- That illegal drugs will not be decriminalised;
- Against attempts to normalise prostitution;
- That tighter regulations will be introduced to curb gambling;
- With thanksgiving for the public's growing willingness to stand up for the reality of biological sex.

Tuesday

MARRIAGE

Secular society and the media undermine marriage while promoting every other kind of relationship.

“...a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife” **GENESIS 2:24**

PLEASE PRAY:

- Thanking God for the gift of marriage and the blessings it brings to the nation as a whole;
- That churches will faithfully uphold the Bible's teaching on marriage and sexual ethics;
- For a renewed commitment to marriage as the life-long union of one man and one woman;
- That society and the media would rediscover and celebrate the value of marriage.

Wednesday

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Parents have the primary role in raising children; families must remain free from intrusive state interference.

“Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them’”

MATTHEW 19:14



PLEASE PRAY:

- That God will bless all those seeking to have a Christian influence in schools;
- For Christian-focused worship and RE to remain a requirement for state schools;
- That the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill will not result in intrusive bureaucratic rules for home-educating families;
- For continued freedom for pupils and teachers to be able to express Christian beliefs without being marginalised;
- That the Westminster Government will continue to resist moves to criminalise parents in England who smack their children.

Thursday

CONVERSION THERAPY

LGBT activists want a broad ban on 'conversion practices' covering prayers, pastoral conversations and parenting.

“...pray...that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ”

COLOSSIANS 4:3

PLEASE PRAY:

- That the Government would abandon its plans for a new ban on so-called 'conversion practices';
- That politicians around the UK would come to recognise that any such new law is both unnecessary and unworkable;
- That the Institute's 'Proving Tricky' booklet, exposing how other jurisdictions have failed to introduce new laws, will be a useful resource for parliamentarians;
- For those working on our Let Us Pray campaign, which seeks to protect the ordinary work of churches from a broad ban.



Friday

CHRISTIAN WITNESS

On Good Friday, we especially remember Christ's atoning sacrifice. Proclaiming his death and resurrection is central to our faith.

"...we preach Christ crucified...Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God" 1 CORINTHIANS 1:23-24

PLEASE PRAY:

- For Pastor Clive Johnston, who is being prosecuted for preaching the Gospel in an abortion censorship zone in Northern Ireland, and for the legal team as it assists him;
- That the Government's new definition of 'Islamophobia' will not lead to a clampdown on expressing Christian beliefs;
- That Stormont's plans to amend equality laws will not undermine religious freedom in NI;
- Giving thanks for our good laws on free speech, which protect the freedom to share the Gospel.

Saturday

THE CI TEAM

We are grateful for your ongoing prayerful support for us.

"...in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God"
PHILIPPIANS 4:6

PLEASE PRAY:

- For the CI, as we seek to influence secular society for Christ;
- For more opportunities to reach politicians and the media with our concerns on key issues for society;
- That we will have wisdom and endurance as we seek to address the many issues raised in this week of prayer.

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer" ROMANS 12:12

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