

A prayer of new appreciation for the community of the church

Lord of the church, what a gift you have given us in the body of Christ, in living stones locally assembled to be a spiritual house.

Sometimes I haven't seen my congregation that way, as I have grumbled and complained about my spiritual family, selfishly looked to my own needs before the interests of others, and carelessly neglected my need to meet with brothers and sisters, for their encouragement and mine.

Now I see things more clearly - valuing little things like the chat before or after worship, that reminds me that someone else cares; cherishing the opportunity to raise my voice with others in praise of God, even if they or I am a little out of tune; gaining a new sense of awe for the word of God preached, and the way it challenges and encourages my everyday walk with Jesus; setting much more store on your invitation to ask, seek and knock in prayer, now that we have seen you give, found you answering, and known doors opened, during the period of pandemic life under lockdown.

Help me not to lose this new found appreciation for the community of my church. Help me not to take for granted those who lead and serve, but to pray for and support them as they labour in the Lord, listening, learning and lending a hand where I can.

Help me to express a fresh commitment to the life of my church, and its living witness to Jesus, experienced in those ways that show we belong to him, and to one another.

Chosen and precious cornerstone, thank you for the people of your choosing, that make up my congregation,

built together as one, a holy nation of fellow travellers, your special possession, called out of darkness to bear your light.

In Jesus' name. Amen

PRAYER @ DPC

We would encourage everyone to fully participate in the prayer life of our congregation

- Weekly times of prayer: Wednesday in Choir Room & via Zoom (ID:82692131213 Pass Code: 123456). Sunday morning at 10.15 am in Meeting Room 2.
- Prayer Text ministry: Anyone wishing to have a prayer request on the Prayer Text chain should contact Adrian: 07546770060.
- Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry available at the close of the service please see rota below

PRAYER MINISTRY ROTA – FEBRUARY

Sun 5th February – Adrian - 07546770060 Sun 12th February - Helena Trimble - 07851296928 Sun 19th February – Ben Bovis - 07780001736 Sun 26th February – Roy Irwin - 07383115999

DESIGN FOR DISCIPLESHIP SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY MINISTRY Wednesday morning Group each week at 10.15

am in Hall Café. Sunday Night Group fortnightly (12th & 26th Feb) at 6.30pm in Hall Café. Mens Group fortnightly (9th & 23rd Feb) at Bill McCord's home, Annahilt. Glenside Group at John & Sandra McCormick's home each Tuesday night. If you wish to be get involved please speak to

Adrian (07546770060)

FLOWER ROTA - FEBRUARY

5 th February	Mrs. A. Moore
12 th February	Mrs. V. Weekes
19 th February	Mrs. H. Eagleson
26 th February	Mrs. B. Thompson

WELCOME ROTA – FEBRUARY

LEFT DOOR	RIGHT DOOR
Jane Hunter	Robin Johnston
David Hunter	Audrey Robinson

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER 2023

BOWLING FELLOWSHIP

Meets on Mondays at 8pm. Everyone very welcome.

KIRK SESSION

Kirk Session meets Tuesday 21 February at 7.45pm in the Choir Room

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Meets Tuesday 21st February at 2 p.m. Speaker: Miss Naomi Dudgeon. You would be made very welcome to any of our meetings. Good Speakers. Good fellowship and a Cup of Tea.

BADMINTON FOR ALL AGES

Saturday 4th February & Saturday 18th March from 7-9pm in Church Hall.

PW

PW meeting scheduled for 14th February will now take place on Tuesday 21 February at 8pm. A night of fun, food and fellowship.

PW 80TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Friday 24 March 2023 at Rockmount Golf Club – 7.15pm for 7.30pm £25 per person (to include entertainment by Brian Rankin – The Poet Farmer).
All PW members, past and present and friends welcome. Please give your name and payment to Janet Dorman before Tuesday 21 February to confirm your place.

FLOURISH NI

Flourish are a charity based in Belfast who provide a brighter future for every individual affected by human trafficking. A representative spoke at the January meeting of PW about the work that they are doing. She highlighted a particular need for toiletries and related products which they make up into packs to give to the ladies in need. The following items would be greatly appreciated:

Shampoo & Shower Gel/Soap & Facecloth/Toothbrush & toothpaste/Deodorant/Sanitary Protection/Nappies – all sizes/Baby Wipes/Baby Wash.

If you would like to get involved there will be a box in the vestibule during the month of February.

EVANGELISM TRAINING DAY WITH RICO TICE

A day with Rico Tice, enthusing, envisioning and equipping Christians in how to share their faith one to one and in

groups. Tue. 7th March 2023 (10:00 – 16:30) At Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Event is free but registration required at www.cornhillbelfast.org/ricotice

PRAYER POINTS HAMSAYEH @ PRAYER

Give thanks for our continuing English classes with over 60 students on the register. We really do need another teacher, someone called to the ministry. Approx 15 attend the English Bible Studies where we are looking at the life of Jesus.

Amir also continues with his Farsi one on Friday where he has 12 regulars. Pray for blind eyes to be opened.

Thanks for prayers for Amir as he continues to grieve Clare travels to N.I. for half term (11-19 Feb) and will have different speaking engagements. Please pray for a fruitful time



Sunday Mornings

Creche (babies & toddlers), SALT (pre-school – P6) & FUEL (P7-Yr10) leave midway through the service and go across to the Hall for their respective ministries. SALT and creche in the Hall and FUEL upstairs We would ask parents to take their children to the Hall and pick them up after the service.



Tuesdays at 6.30pm (P1+)



Thursdays (10.30-12 Noon)



Thursdays at 6.30-7.30pm (Pre-school – P4) 7.30-9pm (P5+)

YOUTH @ DPC

Youth @ DPC meets on Saturday 11th and 25th February at 7.30pm in the Hall. For all young people ages Year 8 and up.

MISSIONARY NEWS

At the recent meeting the Missionary Committee allocated the following funds: Hamsayeh Int. (Amir & Clare Arian) £600. Derek & Jane French (Spain) £600 Gilkinsons (Spain) £600 Martin Family (Indonesia) £600. We are delighted that Steve, Helen and their children, Isaac and Ellie will be joining us on Sunday 19 March for a Missionary Focus Service.

Latest Prayer Updates from the French and Cowen families this morning on the Vestibule table

UCB BIBLE READING NOTES

Quarterly copies available

BELFAST BIBLE COLLEGE

Leaflets are available on Vestibule Table outlining various Courses available at the College for 2023

Adrian McLernon / Minister 028908263586 / Manse 07546770060 / Mobile adrianmclernon@gmail.com / Email Margaret Potts / Church Office Secretary 02890827068 / Office 07805084686 / Mobile drumbopcoffice@gmail.com / Email www.drumbochurch.org / Church website Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC 105236)