

## **Prayer Focus**

July-September					
July 1st. Pray for PF staff who are frequently faced with the awful consequences of sin, wrecking individuals, families and communities.	2nd. Give thanks for Sarah and her support to many families during the past year. May she and Neil know God's blessing for the future.	3rd. W is a young Christian who wants to grow but finds it hard in prison. Pray he can focus on God and his relationship develops.	4th. Pray for those who are released that they will find housing, work and the support they need to thrive and not return to prison.	5th. Thank you for praying for the Week of Mission in Magilligan. Each evening was special, as the presence of God was felt in the meetings.	
6th. Pray for an outpouring of the Spirit on all our ministries, and in the hearts of the people we serve.	7th. Pray for prison chaplains as they hold church services today. Pray for all prisoners who join them to experience God's love and grace.	8th. Pray for wisdom as we seek to reappoint one of our family work posts, that we will know the person of God's choosing.	9th. Give thanks for the commitment of the Board to PF's vision; pray for wisdom as they support the staff and implement new strategies.	10th. Pray for the Ladies Aftercare meetings. As we break for the summer, pray they will know God's presence with them.	
11th. James and Kate successfully completed their block placements with us. Ask God to clearly direct their paths. (Prov 3:5-6)	12th. Pray for a day of peaceful parades throughout Northern Ireland, and protection for members of the PSNI in all situations.	13th. Give thanks for prison officers and members of staff who were a great encouragement and help to us during the special meetings in Magilligan.	14th. Pray for churches and Christians to reach out in love and be supportive of those who have been released from prison.	15th. A young mum recently requested a Bible. Pray her life will be changed through reading scripture and come to know Jesus.	
16th. Pray for the new football programme in Hydebank; pray for the volunteers coming in and for the guys who attend.	17th. Pray for L, for him and his mother to rebuild their relationship and to restore trust between them.	18th. We are seeking male volunteers to serve in the prisons. Pray for men who love God and his Word to step forward. (1Cor 16:13)	19th. A has come to know Jesus and attends the weekly Bible study and Friday evening meetings. Pray he will grow in his faith.	20th. Pray for the staff in Hydebank, for opportunities to share our faith with them and show them love in practical ways.	
21st. Pray for PF's engagement with churches, that they would see serving prisoners as part of their Christian mission.	22nd. Pray for families struggling to cope with children during the school holidays, making prison visits and the extra expense incurred.	23rd. We are very thankful for young men stepping forward to play football in Hydebank. Bless them as they give their time to the inmates.	24th. Pray for J who is a Christian and wants to fully commit his life to God, but is still struggling with mental health issues.	25th. Pray for several PF volunteers suffering illness and facing difficulties at this time. Pray that God's Spirit would be close.	
26th. Pray for K who has just come into prison, pray she would adjust to prison life and mix well with the other inmates.	27th. Pray for the children of prisoners that God protects them from any long-term emotional distress.	28th. R came to faith in Jesus during our week of mission. He is now released; give thanks he has a good church to attend.	29th. M is finding it stressful to keep peace in her family between her children and son in prison, pray for forgiveness and reconciliation.	30th. Pray for G who will be released soon, pray she will make the right choices on the outside and overcome her addictions.	
31st. R is suicidal and can't see a way forward. Pray he finds God, who makes a way where there seems to be none.	August 1st. Please pray as we work to secure funding to deliver the ministry of PF in our prisons, among families and those released.	2nd. J an inmate has issues on the outside of prison, pray he will turn to Jesus in faith and cast all his care on Him.	3rd. Pray for safety in our country during the summer; pray that those intent on violence and criminal activity may be thwarted in their schemes.	4th. Ronnie Armour leads and directs the NI Prison Service; pray for wisdom and diplomacy in all his deliberations.	
5th. Pray for courage and stamina for wives, mums, grannies and sisters who are the only family member supporting their loved one in prison.	6th. Pray for S who has been struggling with her mental health in prison, pray she would get the support she needs.	7th. Pray for those in prison with drug and alcohol problems that they are freed from addiction, and the flow of drugs into prison would end.	8th. Pray for staff and volunteers with time off over the summer that they may be refreshed spiritually and physically.	9th. Give thanks for R, a Christian, who encouraged many men to come to our meetings. Pray for him as he is released soon.	
10th. Pray for prison staff as they seek to manage competing demands, while working in a stressful environment.	11th. Pray for us, that we might be successful in raising awareness of prison ministry in churches across the country.	12th. Pray for families who will soon have a loved one return to them from prison, and all the challenges this will bring.	13th. Pray as we seek to appoint new Board Members that God would lead us to the people of His choosing.	14th. Pray for young offenders, who are often very troubled young people, to receive the support they need to choose a better future.	

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15th. Give thanks for our Hands Up volunteers, who give time and finance to practically love our families and ex-prisoners.	16th. M has renewed his faith in Jesus during the mission. He is keen to grow in Christ. Pray for him, his wife and family.	17th. Pray that God will divinely intervene and restore broken relationships between all family members.	18th. Give thanks K is asking questions about spiritual matters; pray she will accept Jesus.	19th. Pray for the families in the transition between family workers. Change can be stressful and it's hard to trust new people.
20th. Pray for M who is in prison awaiting sentencing, pray she would know God's peace with her at this time.	21st. Pray as we seek to embark on a building project at our Centre. Pray for funding and a space to relocate during the refurbishment.	22nd. I will be released soon and is looking for a hostel to take him in. Pray for his alcohol addiction to be broken.	23rd. D has renewed his faith in Jesus during our time of mission; please pray for him as he is now released.	24th. S has lost two young friends to suicide recently, pray for their families and for S. 'Father, come alongside them in their pain.'
25th. Pray for men and women who feel trapped by their past even after having come to faith. Pray they know true freedom in Christ.	26th. Pray for K and S, two young women who cope with stress by self-harming. 'Lord help them to realise they are your creation.'	27th. Pray for W who committed her life to the Lord recently in prison that she will grow in her faith.	28th. Pray for T who struggles in prison, pray she would be able to adjust to her surroundings.	29th. Remember the volunteers waiting on clearance into prison. Pray they would remain patient and reliant on God. (Ecc 3:1)
30th. I rededicated his life to Jesus during our week of mission; pray he will continue to grow in Christ.	31st Trevor helps PF with fund raising. Pray his work would be fruitful and donors and trusts will be generous in their giving.	September 1st. Pray for B who has started reading the Bible and attending Lifesplan, pray that God would speak to her afresh.	2nd. Pray for two young cousins who are autistic; pray for them as they attend school and the difficulties they and their families face.	3rd. Pray for all women serving sentences, remembering that some of them are themselves victims of violence and abuse.
4th. Pray for J who has been released, that he breaks his reoffending cycle and starts afresh.	5th. Pray for those volunteers who have given years to serve God with Prison Fellowship. We are eternally grateful. (Rom 10:15)	6th. G came to faith during the mission. Pray for Norman as he follows up and that G will fully understand the step he has taken.	7th. Pray for the volunteers as they visit on the landings. Pray that they would be strengthened and encouraged in the ministry.	8th. Give thanks for our local prayer groups. Pray that they might be encouraged and resourced, to increase in strength and effectiveness.
9th. Pray for wisdom for the Board as we seek God's leading and direction for the new season's work.	10th. Pray for M who became a Christian in prison, pray for her, as she will be released in the next few months.	11th. Pray for offenders to take advantage of educational opportunities in prison, and be supported to continue on their release.	12th. Pray for those under pressure from the snare of paramilitary membership. Men are struggling to be able to leave the past behind.	13th. M recommitted his life to Jesus during the mission, pray he will grow in Christ. Pray for his wife and young children.
14th. Pray for D who is expecting a baby; pray that God would protect her and the baby at this time.	15th. Continue to pray for protection for prison staff both in their duties within the prison, and especially as they travel to and from work.	16th. Pray for prisoners who are separated from their spouses or partners, that they be strengthened and give support to each other.	17th. Pray for R who has been released, but continues to struggle with addictions and self-harm.	18th. Pray for the ever-increasing problems of mental health among those we serve, and for those who see no way out.
19th. Pray for G, a lady in prison who has few visitors and struggles with loneliness.	20th. Pray for men seeking employment that they will be given an opportunity to leave their past behind and move forward.	21st. Pray for Christians in prison who are discouraged, that they would know God has not abandoned them and their confidence will be in Him.	22nd. Give thanks for the opportunities to pray with families, and the openings to speak about Jesus and His love for them.	23rd. Pray for parents who are carrying shame and condemnation. Pray they know the unconditional love of God and His peace.
24th. Pray for M who has been released from prison but is struggling to adjust on the outside.	25th. Pray for the Family Support group, that as the ladies meet they will be encouraged, strengthened and see Jesus' love for them.	26th. Pray for men and women carefully considering volunteering with PF. Ask God to lead their decision- making.	27th. J committed his life to Christ. As Norman visits him, pray he will have a clear understanding of being a follower of Jesus.	28th. Christ alone brings about transformation; pray for prisoners, their families and released prisoners to want his Way and rightly respond.
29th. Give thanks for the prayers and generosity of PF supporters, who enable our work to continue and expand.	30th. Pray that family members supporting loved ones in prison will find strong support networks they can trust.	Monthly Prayer Groups Ballynahinch 1st Monday: 7.30pm Bangor 1st Tuesday: 2.30pm Belfast 1st Tuesday: 7.45pm	Ballymena 1st Wednesday: 8.00pm Londonderry 1st Friday: 10.30am Randalstown 2nd Monday: 4.00pm Kilkeel 3rd Monday: 10.30am	Rostrever 3rd Monday: 1.30pm Coleraine 3rd Monday: 7.30pm Fermanagh 3rd Thursday: 7.30pm Magherafelt 4th Friday: 7.00pm