

Thursday 25/1	Help those who are having health problems or who have members of their families with health problems and pray that God would sustain them. That they would get the treatment, care and support that they require. Pray for God to heal and to give wisdom to all those who are caring for them.
Friday 26/1	Pray for us to find a church cleaner. It will be difficult to follow the high standards set by Jeanette but pray that we will find someone willing and able to carry out the job. Pray that they may find satisfaction in the work.
Saturday 27/1	Pray for our brothers and sisters overseas who do not have the same freedom as we do to worship and praise our heavenly father. In many countries, Christians are harassed, discriminated against, slandered, unjustly accused, arrested and sometimes imprisoned, beaten, exiled or killed. Violence comes from both governments and religious extremists. Pray that they will remain strong in their faith despite the abuse. Pray for protection upon them and that they will experience and know the love, joy and peace from God
Sunday 28/1	Father God Thank you so much for bringing us all here together today. Thank you for the wonderful blessing of a family. Thank you for the similarities we have and the differences we enjoy. Thank you for the wisdom of age and the energy of youth. Thank you for the way you watch over us as individuals and the way you release your love into us as a unit. Come bless our time together. Amen. From www. Lord-prayers-words
Monday 29/1	Give thanks that Jeanette Meek has agreed to take on the role of Safeguarding co-ordinator for the Church. Give thanks for all the work Gillian Charles put in. Pray for Jeanette as she takes over and undergoes the necessary training.
Tuesday 30/1	There is a training event for SU group leaders in High Schools. Give thanks for the good leadership in the Trinity Academy group and pray that more will come to the meetings. Pray particularly for those who have been to Chatterboxes in the primary school that they might have the courage to go along.
Wednesday 31/1	Pray for Peter, Heather, Linda, Liz and Lesley-Anne as members of the pastoral group as they seek to co-ordinate the way we look after those who need special attention. Help them to allocate scarce resources wisely.

## Newhaven Church Prayer Calendar January 2018

Monday 1/1	Past put behind us, for the future take us, Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone. (Timothy Dudley-Smith - Lord for the years). May that be our prayer for the new year.
Tuesday 2/1	"The birth of Jesus was a beacon of hope that lit up the whole universe. We still live by that light today. No matter how messy or broken our lives and even the world itself may seem, there is a hope that transcends it all; a light that can never be extinguished; a love that will always be with us. Let us thank the Lord." Gideon Heugh Tearfund.
Wednesday 3/1	Give thanks that God makes all things new. Give thanks for all that He has allowed into our lives this past year, the good along with the hard things, which have reminded us how much we need Him and rely on His presence filling us every single day.
Thursday 4/1	Please pray for those who have lost loved ones these past few months and for them as they adjust to life without them. May they know God's love, comfort and strength.
Friday 5/1	Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good his love endures forever. Thank you Lord for the miracle of Freddie making it through his operation. For the care he received and the love and support for his family. Be with Freddie as he enters the rehab phase, give patience to trust in you. Amen

Saturday 6/1	The 2018 Scripture Union Holidays Brochure will be appearing soon. Please pray that many young people who've been to SU holidays before will be keen to return. Give thanks that there are funds available to help youngsters from families who cannot afford the cost of the holiday. Pray that the brochures will provoke an enthusiastic response when they are promoted in schools all over the country in the next few weeks.
Sunday 7/1	Pray for Peter as he leads the service this morning. May he have been refreshed after his holiday. Pray for him to have strength for his work particularly after the succession of funerals which he had at the end of last year.

Monday 8/1	Give thanks for Jamie's time in South Africa. She found it to be a great experience and learnt a lot. Pray for plans for her to share with us her experiences and the possibility of a series of events on work overseas and what is being done to alleviate poverty.
Tuesday 9/1	We give thanks and welcome Hope Taylor (who has started joining us at Newhaven Church) as a volunteer at Toddlers starting in January and pray that she will feel welcome and a real part of our team. Continue to pray for our mums, dads, grandparents and carers that they will feel the love of God and His acceptance of them in our group.
Wednesday 10/1	Pray that Yvonne may be refreshed after her trip to Australia to see her new grandchild. Pray for her and Rachel as they get the café going again. Help them in their ministries to the customers and volunteers in being the fragrance of Christ in the community.
Thursday 11/1	Pray for those having to adjust to new care packages and a change in life style. Pray for them to be able to adapt to the changing circumstances. Pray for those providing the care that they may be able to provide a package that works for the recipient.
Friday 12/1	Remember Cassie and her work at Victoria Primary. Give thanks for the reception that Bible Alive had in the school and for plans to roll it out again. Also give thanks for the opportunity to speak at Assemblies and also to talk to the parents. Pray that good relations with the staff will be maintained.
Saturday 13/1	Pray for our politicians and leaders in both national and local government. Pray that they may retain their desire to make things better for people and give them insight to see what the effect of their actions may be. Give them wisdom to know what is possible and how best to achieve it.
Sunday 14/10	We are fortunate to have so many young people about our congregation. Give thanks for them and pray specifically for those known to you. Pray also for the leaders and helpers in the Sunday Club. They are a small but dedicated group. Help them in all that they do to show the love of Christ to the children.
Monday 15/1	Pray for the Kirk Session as it meets tonight. Give them clarity in their decision making and vision in seeing the way in which God wants the congregation to go. Help them also in making the detailed practical decisions required.
Tuesday 16/1	Pray for the politicians working on how best to provide care in the community in an efficient and effective manner. Pray for a resolution of how institutional care can be provided in a way that is fair, tailored to individual needs and economic realities. It is easy to concentrate on one aspect only.

Wednesday 17/1	This is the Scripture Union day of prayer. Give thanks for its ministry in the schools of Scotland and also for it providing residential weekends and longer holidays. Give thanks for all that it has done and pray for guidance for the future work of SU.
Thursday 18/1	"One song can spark a moment; one flower can wake a dream. One tree can start a forest; one bird can herald spring. One smile begins a friendship; one handclasp lifts a soul. One star can guide a ship at sea; one word can frame the goal. One vote can change a nation; one sunbeam lights a room. One candle wipes out darkness; one laugh can conquer gloom. One step can start a journey; one word can start a prayer. One hope can raise our spirits; one touch can show you care. One voice can speak with wisdom; one heart can know what's true. One life can make a difference; you see.....it's up to you." Small things can be of great significance in God's eternal plan. May we be willing, with His help, to make a difference with our lives. Adapted from The Word for Today).
Friday 19/1	Chatterboxes: Give thanks for the 16 boys and girls who come regularly, and for the real privilege in sharing our faith and helping them to investigate who Jesus is. Pray for Lynn and Christine as we plan this terms lessons. Give thanks for the 10 children who are coming to Lendrick Muir with us at the end of February.
Saturday 20/1	Let us remember Elaine and others working on communications. Help us all to think of ways in which we may communicate better. Give thanks for Elaine's work in producing the order of service regularly and also in editing Harbour Lights.
Sunday 21/1	May we take this opportunity before God to consider what we ought to be giving for the work of the church. Pray that we may all prayerfully consider our part. Help us to balance up the competing claims on our time and money and to come to a conclusion that is right before God.
Monday 22/1	An estimated 50,000 to 70,000 Christians are incarcerated in labour camps in North Korea. Ask God to strengthen them inwardly with His Spirit so that they may have great endurance and patience. (From Open Doors prayer letter)
Tuesday 23/1	Remember Shona and the finance team as they work on the church accounts. Give thanks for their diligent service and give them strength and insight at the busy time of year. Pray that we as a congregation may have sufficient funds for our work.

Wednesday 24/1	Tonight is the Bible Study and prayer meeting. Help us Lord to feed on your word and let it mould our thinking and action. May it be a light to our path and a lamp to our feet. Help us to be faithful in our prayers for our church and community.
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