

My friends, if we are going to do a great work for God,
we must spend much time in prayer; we have got to be closeted with God. D L Moody

Strategic Prayer Initiative – UK February 2025

- 1. Pastor** / Pray your pastor will be kept from physical and emotional burnout. Please circle the day of your birthday as a second day each month that you pray for you Pastor.
- 2. Persecuted Christians** / Pray for a Pakistani evangelist who was arrested in a remote part of the country and tortured. He sat down for tea with someone telling about Christ when security officers appeared and rushed the evangelist to interrogation. “He has endured unimaginable suffering. His body bears the marks of brutal violence — deep scars and bruises...,” said a front-line worker. “The torment left him so shaken that he can’t even eat.” While the evangelist’s pain is deep, the worker added, “Even in his darkest hour, he has remained steadfast in his faith, trusting in God’s plan.” “He returned to us today not just physically broken but mentally and emotionally scarred, bearing the burden of trauma that words can scarcely express.” Source: www.icommittoprayer.com
- 3. UK Supreme Court** / Pray for Lord Stephens who has served on the highest court of the land since 2020. Pray he may be guided by God in the influential decisions he has to make.
- 4. Unreached People Groups** / Pray God will raise up the people, resources, and prayer necessary for the gospel to reach the 134,989,000 member Bengali Muslim group of Bangladesh effectively. Source: www.joshuaproject.net
- 5. World Watch list** / Praise the Lord for the many MP’s (over 100) who attended the parliamentary launch of the 2025 list on 15th January 2025. The list produced by Open Doors documents the 50 most dangerous countries to live as a Christian. Pray those who attended will be moved to action to work on behalf of the multitude of believers around the world who are suffering for their faith.
- 6. Bibleless People Groups** / Pray that the Eastern Apurímac Quechua (218,000) people of Peru will have the New Testament translated into their language. They currently do not have the Scripture in their heart language. Source: Wycliffe
- 7. Prime Ministers Cabinet** / Pray for the Rt Hon. David Lammy Labour Party Member of Parliament for Tottenham since 2000 and who serves Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs. Pray for David and his family.
- 8. An Orphanage Needing Your Prayers** / Pray for the children and the workers, at the Kampong Cham Kinship Project in Cambodia. Pray the staff will have the Holy Spirit’s help in raising up genuine Christian disciples with each of the children. Pictures of the project can be seen at www.kinshipunited.org.
- 9. Abortion** / “Around 73 million induced abortions take place worldwide each year,” according to the World Health Organisation. When contrasting the abortion number to other causes of death, including cancer, HIV/AIDS, traffic accidents and suicide, abortions far outnumbered every other cause. By contrast, an estimated 10 million people died from cancer in 2024, 6.2 million from smoking, 17 million from disease, and 2 million died of HIV/AIDS. Pray for all those engaged in seeking to minimise this travesty. Source: Life News
- 10. Football and Gambling** / In December more than 125,000 people called on Sir Keir Starmer to kick gambling adverts out of football. The Big Step campaign, which organised the petition, highlighted 29,000 gambling adverts were displayed during the Premier League’s opening weekend in August – almost triple the previous year’s 11,000. Dr Raffaello Rossi, one of the report’s authors, said the situation in Britain “suggests the lack of tight restrictions isn’t due to insufficient evidence but rather a lack of political will. Pray for greater restrictions on all forms of gambling.
- 11. The Big 3 (China, India, & Indonesia - Over 40% of the World’s Population)** / India – Pray for the Indian Church, which is highly diverse, with a long legacy. Much of Indian Christianity has resulted from people movements of the last 300 years, often started by local revivals. Some Christian groups today have remarkable growth, while other groups decline in numbers. Persecution of Christians has been steadily intensifying in recent years and shows no signs of abating. Pray for our brothers and sisters in India to endure amid this increasing pressure. Source: www.operationworld.org
- 12. The Senedd (Welsh Parliament)** / Darren Millar, the new Conservative leader has spoken openly about his Christian faith. The member for Clwyd West is involved in Christian work and is CEO of the Pocket Book Testament League. The organisation describes itself as “a group of Christians who have committed to reading the Word of God, carrying the Word with them wherever they go, and sharing the Word with others.” Pray for Mr. Millar in his new role and for his family
- 13. RAF Chaplain Recruitment** / Pray that bible believing chaplains seek and are appointed as spiritual counsellors to this branch of our armed forces as recruitment is currently in progress.
- 14. Community Institutions** / Many communities contain businesses/organisations whose practices serve (some unknowingly) “the forces of evil” (adult bookstores, tarot card readers, churches of false religions, etc.). Pray that one in your town would diminish its effectiveness through the powerful name of Jesus Christ.

15. **Christian Ministries** / Scripture Union is a Christian charity, inviting children and young people to explore the difference Jesus can make to the challenges and adventures of life. With an estimated 95% of children in England and Wales not part of a church, SU is working hard to take the good news of Jesus beyond the church in exciting and culturally relevant ways. Pray for this long-standing ministry

16. **The Lord's Day** / Pray that as believers we will each consider what "keeping the Sabbath" means for us in practical terms. May we each lay aside discretionary matters that can wait till a later time so we can enjoy rest and allow the Lord to renew and refresh us each week.

17. **Life** / A tiny baby born at just 23 weeks and 5 days made it home just one week before Christmas after spending nine months in hospital. The doctors had said that Evie had "less than a 50% chance of survival" but Evie's parents remained hopeful. Spokesperson for Right To Life UK, Catherine Robinson, said "Congratulations to Evie and her family for their success in fighting so hard for Evie's life. It is a testament to medical teams across the world they can help sick preemies like Evie so they can celebrate Christmas at home with their families". Praise God for this outcome and pray all parents realise the preciousness of life.

18. **Parliament** / Pray for Munira Wilson, Liberal Democrat politician who has been Member of Parliament for Twickenham since 2019. She has served as the Liberal Democrat spokesperson for education since 2021 under Sir Ed Davey, and previously as the spokesperson for health, wellbeing and social care from 2020 to 2021. Source: Wikipedia

19. **The Nations** / Kosovo - Pray for continued freedom to evangelise among the 80% Muslim population. Pray for the peace of Jesus to heal the hatred between ethnic Serbs and Albanians. Pray for spiritual growth and bold proclamation among the small group of committed Christians. Source: www.prayercast.com and www.operationworld.org

20. **Ukrainian Refugees in the UK** / As of February 2023, the UK government has issued 65,900 visas under the Ukraine family scheme and 152,600 visas via homes for Ukraine. Visa holders under these schemes have been granted the right to work and study in the UK for up to three years however many still struggle with finding accommodation and adequate employment. Pray that individual believers and churches will assist these folks and other refugees as they are able. Source: Premier

21. **The Church** / Ask God to empower believers to live a life of separation from the immoral practices of the culture around us and be a shining light/witness in the way their lives are lived.

22. **The Lords Day** / Pray that across the land tomorrow many individuals will be drawn to enter a bible believing church due to a conversation they have had or a sign they have read or a deep-seated desire to a concern/ issue they have etc. May each one be made welcome.

23. **The Family** / Pray that husbands and wives will make adequate time for each other. If married, pray this for your marriage.

24. **Cultural Influencers** / Michael J Fox – Canadian Actor. Pray that God will infuse the decisions of this cultural influencer with a strong moral dimension that will help move people toward our Holy Creator, not away from Him. Pray for God's personal impact on his life.

25. **Power Players in Media** / Christian Bale (Actor) - Pray for God's personal impact on his life, for guidance and wisdom, and for him to come to a deeper relationship with the living God. Pray that God will infuse his decisions with a strong moral dimension.

26. **University of Manchester Christian Union** / Pray for the leaders and participants at UMC as they seek to fulfil their vision to give every student at the University of Manchester an opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

27. **Important Legal or Humanitarian Relief Situation** / Pray for the people of Afghanistan where an estimated 23.7 million people — more than 50% of the population — are projected to require humanitarian aid. The crisis in Afghanistan has led to severe hunger, a collapsing healthcare system, damaged schools, and disrupted livelihoods. In addition, severe flooding across the country in 2024 has displaced thousands and destroyed critical infrastructure. The flooding has exacerbated poverty and hunger, forcing families to rebuild their lives amid limited resources and ongoing insecurity. Source: www.worldvision.org www.worldvision.org

28. **Syria** / Pray for the 300,000 estimated Christian people who are very concerned about their future following the fall of the Assad regime on 8th December 2024 and the new rule of the Islamist group Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham (HTS). Pray that those from a Christian background will be granted freedom to worship and for stability among all the minorities within the country.

29. **Street Pastors** / Minister to the UK's city nightlife as well as the homeless. Pray more believers will consider taking up the call for more volunteers. Pray particularly for the Sunderland branch which has been down to six volunteers and needs an infusion of additional help. Source: Premier

30. **Each Country's Leader** / Pray that Ukhnaagiin Khürelsükh, President of Mongolia will be moved by the hand of God to make decisions that will help the gospel to spread freely in his country and allow people to live in peace. 1Timothy 2:1-4

31. **Neighbour** _____ **Co-worker** _____

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