

important decisions to make, that they would seek the Lord's guidance. Pray for courage, perseverance and strength to share Jesus with their friends.

Su 24

Pray those attending our Christingle Service this evening will understand that Jesus is the Light Of The World, a light that can never be extinguished! Pray this week for Whytes Causeway, Westray and Westwood Baptist Churches.

M 25

Give thanks as we celebrate the greatest gift of all today. Christ the Saviour is born! "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son". (John3:16) Remember those attending our morning service as we praise God for the opportunity Christmas is for families to stop and reflect and spend time together with God

Tu 26

Pray that like Mary we may be obedient to God's call on our lives. May we also be able to say "I am the Lord's servant. May it be to me as you have said."

(Luke1:38)

W 27

Pray for the staff of the Bethany Christian Trust who offer gentle and patient guidance so folk can get off the streets and out of the spiral of addiction for good.

Th 28

As the 2018 SU Holidays

brochure is posted out, pray it will be well received, read and engaged with and that young people will be eager to book a holiday next year. Lift to God those who made commitments to Christ this past summer, praying that they will stand firm and God will hold them close.

F 29

SU Scotland has faced many financial challenges this past year but give thanks that God is good! Praise Him for the generosity of His faithful people in time, money and prayer. Pray for the continuing provision for all their needs so the work of reaching every child in Scotland with the good news of the gospel can continue.

Sa 30

As we reflect on this past year, let's give thanks that Jesus came so that we might be saved and our lives transformed. Pray His transforming work would continue in and through us as children of God. Thank God for membership of His family!

Su 31

Uphold Alistair as he continues our teaching series "Praying Along With Paul". Let's ask God to help us to make prayer a priority this next year as we give thanks to Jesus for making a way for us to the throne of grace. Pray this week for Wick, Wigtown and Wishaw Baptist Churches.



F 1

Scottish Christian musicians David & Yvonne Lyon, Allan McKinlay and Ellyn Oliver are performing Christmas songs and carols in several Scottish churches throughout this month to raise funds for Tearfund partners bringing hope to poor communities throughout the world. Pray that those who come will be inspired and moved to offer their support.

Sa 2

Uphold Alistair as he speaks at the leaders' day for Hitchin Christian Centre near London. Pray for these brothers and sisters in Christ as they commence the process of building a new church centre and that Alistair's words might encourage them.

Su 3

Uphold those leading and teaching at our services today and those reporting back from the Baptist Assembly this evening. Remember Alistair as he preaches at Hitchin Christian Centre this morning.

Pray this week for Stranraer, Strathendrick and Stromness Baptist Churches.

M 4

As Toddler Group parties take place today and tomorrow, pray for fun and safety and that the books and cards given to each family will speak into hearts of the real meaning of Christmas.

Tu 5

Continue to pray for David White, for patience and strength, that he would return to full health and fitness again after his time of illness.

W 6

As the posts of Centre and Coffee Shop managers for our new building have been advertised, pray for God to raise up the right people for these roles, godly people who would assist and direct us to serve the community and to make Jesus known.

Th 7

Pray for wise decisions as Alistair takes part in a Skype planning meeting for the Keswick Ministries Pastoral

Refreshment Conference.
Uphold David Currie as he shares stories of their life in Crete at Friendship Hour today.

F 8

Give thanks for the opportunities Advent provides to share the Christmas story. Remember chaplains and SU staff and volunteers who are involved in leading assemblies and end-of-term services. Pray for creativity and clarity, especially as they speak to children who have never considered the real meaning of Christmas before. Remember Alistair as he takes Advent assemblies at St Joe's.

Sa 9

Pray shoppers will stop and take part in the Carol Singalong in the Loreburn Centre this am and that they would be caused to reflect on the words, reminding them that Christmas is all about celebrating our Saviour's birth. Pray for fun and safety and attentive listening as local youngsters attend the SU Christmas party in Troqueer Church Hall today and hear the Christmas message.

Su 10

Uphold Deans Buchanan and Alistair Mackay as they continue our teaching series in "Praying Along With Paul" respectively today. Remember Alistair as he officiates at the marriage of Jim Crooks to Laura today. Pray this week for Tillicoultry, Thurso and Thomas Coates Memorial

Baptist Churches.

M 11

As Andy Feather meets with families in our fellowship and seeks to build up good relationships, pray he might be an encouragement to our young folk to grow in their faith.

Tu 12

The Christmas season is a wonderful opportunity for Christian Unions to reach students with the message of the gospel. As Carol services and themed outreach events attract thousands of students, pray that many students will engage and respond to the gospel through these events.

W 13

Pray for encouragement for brothers and sisters around the world who face challenging circumstances such as natural disasters and a lack of freedom. Give thanks that every life is known and precious to God. Pray for the 360,000 babies who will be born today, many into poor communities, that the Lord would protect and provide.

Th 14

As our choir sing at the Granary this evening, let's pray for those older folk who have moved into a new way of living, that they could continue to use their gifts and talents and that their spiritual needs will be met.

F 15

Remember those in our fellowship who are struggling at

this time with illness or frailty or financial worries. Pray for those for whom Christmas is a difficult time, those living alone, those grieving for a loved one, those who are a long way from family, that they would all know something of the peace, joy and comfort of our Lord at this time.

Sa 16

As the Discoverers rehearse their Christmas presentation, let's give thanks for all their leaders who give so generously of their time and effort to demonstrate their faith to the young ones in word and witness. May they each know how valuable their contribution is.

Su 17

As the children bring us their Christmas presentation this am and the Choir perform "The Christmas Story" this evening, let's give thanks for all those who have worked so hard to bring these to us. Pray for any visitors, that they might hear and understand the true message of Christmas as Alistair speaks. Pray this week for Uddingston, Tiree and Viewfield Baptist Churches.

M 18

This week sees the start of (SU International) Open Bible's outreach project into schools with the message of Christmas being delivered alongside Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Pray for a warm welcome into schools and a

good response from children.
Tu 19

Uphold Tom McCombe, Jean Lamb and Marion and David Copp as they sing at Allenbank Nursing Home today. Pray happy memories of Christmases past might be stirred in the residents and that God would help them cope with any challenges they may be facing.

W 20

Let's remember our brothers and sisters around the world who can not celebrate our Saviour's birth openly as they live under oppressive governments or regimes. Pray the light of Christ would shine into their darkness, giving them courage and hope.

Th 21

As Friendship Hour enjoy their Christmas celebrations today, give thanks for those who help in our Seniors' ministries, asking God to call more of the right people to exercise this ministry. Uphold our choir as they sing this evening at Abbeyfields.

F 22

Pray that in the midst of all the busyness this week we would make time to reflect on our Saviour's birth and have a renewed sense of wonder that "The Word became flesh and made His dwelling amongst us" (John1:14)

Sa 23

As our young people take a break from school, pray for those who have exams and