



Scripture Union Northern Ireland
PRAYER FOCUS

January 2019

TUES 1 JANUARY

The Schools SU Prayer Guide 2019 encourages prayer for every school where an SU community shines as a light. Please take on the challenge of praying for every SU group in Northern Ireland this year.

WED 2 JANUARY

Pray for Leanne, as she continues to bring oversight and support to our field ministries (Schools and Camps & Missions) and explores potential new developments and areas of growth.

THUR 3 JANUARY

Pray for all pupils, teachers and helpers who run SU groups across NI as they prepare for the term ahead.

FRI 4 JANUARY

William Pinkerton Memorial Primary plan to establish a brand new SU group this month. Pray for Amy Farquhar as she will be the leader of this group. Pray that the importance of this group in school life will be recognised by parents and they will support the SU.

SAT 5 JANUARY

As Paul C hands on the baton, pray for God's blessing on the resource writing projects he hopes to complete this month.

SUN 6 JANUARY

Please pray for Joel, Hannah and the team of Lisburn youth workers as they deliver the 'Life of Jesus' lessons to Year 8 classes at Fort Hill Integrated College and Year 10 classes at Laurelhill Community College this month.

MON 7 JANUARY

Busy day in Camps and Missions: Volunteer Applications and Camper Bookings open today! Please pray as children, young people, families and volunteers make plans for encountering God this summer.

TUES 8 JANUARY

The SUNI team will be at Ovoca Manor today and tomorrow for a joint retreat with the staff of SU Ireland. Pray for a useful time to refocus for the year ahead and build relationships between the two teams.

WED 9 JANUARY

Please pray for the pupils at Roddensvale Special School, as Sarah and Anita begin three weeks of RE lessons there tomorrow. Also pray for the E3 Omagh & Castlederg District Support Team as they meet tomorrow afternoon. Give thanks for the appointment of Sarah Stockdale as our first ever E3 Worker in this area and pray for her as she starts with SU this month!

THUR 10 JANUARY

Today is the second 'Interns Together' day where interns from many different Christian organisations and churches meet together for teaching, training and a chance to network. Pray that this would be a really helpful day at the start of the new year.

FRI 11 JANUARY

Pray for the right person to take on the role of chair of SUNI Council.

SAT 12 JANUARY

Give thanks for all the members of SUNI Council as they meet this morning. Pray for wisdom and discernment as they govern and guide.

SUN 13 JANUARY

Rachel T and Aisling along with St Andrew's Presbyterian are leading a Prayer Space for Clandeboye PS pupils as part of their RE lessons from Monday to Thursday this week. Pray for a really significant week and that the children will know that God cares and that they can talk to Him.

MON 14 JANUARY

Phil, Lyndsey and Rachel S are attending the 'Growing Young Disciples' conference in Manchester this week. Please pray that as they take time out for personal leadership development, they will be stretched in their thinking and built up in their love and knowledge of Christ, and that this will impact SUNI's ministry with children and young people now and in the future.

TUES 15 JANUARY

The relaunched SU group at Parkhall Integrated College in Antrim has been getting on really well! Pray for Joel & Hannah who will be with them both today and next Tuesday.

WED 16 JANUARY

East Belfast is hosting their Inters SU meeting this afternoon (3:45-5:00pm). Pray for intern Connie as she heads up today's session and for Rachel Jackson (Belmont Presbyterian Church) as she leads the talk with the pupils.

THUR 17 JANUARY

Final year students from Stranmillis University College are nearing the middle of two weeks "alternative placement" with SUNI. Please pray that each student will be enriched and challenged by opportunities to teach God's big story in our schools.

FRI 18 JANUARY

Pray for all the Camps & Missions Team Leaders as they gather together for the weekend at Castlewellan Castle for Bible teaching from Rick Hill and to hear from many others who will share their wisdom and experience as we look towards preparing for the summer.

SAT 19 JANUARY

Pray for Sarah and Rachel T as they deliver training today for the Boys Brigade Company Section Leaders on creative Bible communication. Pray that those participating will be inspired, encouraged and leave with lots of ideas to engage boys in reading the Bible.

SUN 20 JANUARY

Pray for Sarah, that doors would be opened as she shares about the work of E3 Schools Ministry in Islandmagee Presbyterian Church, empowering the local church to support work in local schools.

MON 21 JANUARY

Pray for Ian, Ashleigh, Joanne and Jill in all their finance and admin work behind the scenes.

TUES 22 JANUARY

Give thanks for each member of the eight District Support Teams and for their dedication to the work of E3 in their areas.

WED 23 JANUARY

As Bible reading notes have gone out to hundreds of people this month, pray that they would help Christians to meet with God each day.

THUR 24 JANUARY

Pray for Lyndsey and Anita as they spend the next three Thursdays in Clarawood School.

FRI 25 JANUARY

Pray for ExCo as they meet this evening. Give thanks for the time and expertise which these volunteers bring to the work of SUNI.

SAT 26 JANUARY

Pray for God's anointing on Damian as he leads the SUNI team into the year ahead.

SUN 27 JANUARY

Jeff will be sharing about the work of Scripture Union in Derrylin this morning. Pray for an openness towards E3 Fermanagh and for increased support going forward.

MON 28 JANUARY

Pray for the Table Quiz fundraiser in Newtownards today for the E3 schools project in North Down & Newtownards. Pray that the necessary funds will be raised but also that people will be more aware of what God is doing in our schools in the area. Also remember Rachel S today as she has the opportunity to do a session on Social Media with Ballymena Baptist GB. Pray that it would encourage them to think through how we can use Social Media well and wisely and what God has to say about it.

TUES 29 JANUARY

Jeff and Phil will be meeting up with all the SUNI interns today for a line management meeting. Give thanks for how well the interns have settled into their roles and for the great enthusiasm and energy they bring to the team.

WED 30 JANUARY

Pray for Phil as well as Crown Jesus Ministries, LMI, SU England & Wales and SU Scotland as they meet together to review how SHINE went and to plan for the year ahead! Pray for creativity, unity in the gospel and a strong sense of how to move things forward.

THUR 31 JANUARY

Please pray for our Camp Sponsorship Fund that people will be sacrificial in their financial giving in order to send a child to Camp. Pray for those who need financial support to hear about the help available and contact us.