



# International Presbyterian Church

*prayer letter*

April 2018

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## Christ Church Derby

Minister: Joel Kendall  
[www.derby.church](http://www.derby.church)

- Give thanks for the energetic and sacrificial service of members of the church.
- Pray for the congregation in its support of new mission partners, and for the team they will be sending to Kosovo in July.
- Pray for greater momentum in evangelism, and for an upcoming children's holiday club.

## Grace Church Larbert

Minister: Andrew Randall  
[www.gracechurchlarbert.org](http://www.gracechurchlarbert.org)

- Give thanks and pray for Robert McDougall and Stephen Orr, recently ordained as elders.
- Give thanks for progress towards buying a plot of land for a church building, and pray for the raising of the substantial further funds which will be needed.
- Pray for those who have been going through Christianity Explored, and for others who have expressed interest in a future course.
- Pray for a number of people preparing for membership, one young man recently baptised on profession of faith, and three covenant children recently baptised.
- Give thanks for progress towards buying a plot of land for a church building, and pray for a smooth and swift purchase.

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## Grace Community Church, Kyle of Lochalsh

Interim Minister: Fred McFarland  
[www.gracecommunity.co.uk](http://www.gracecommunity.co.uk)

- Give thanks for the safe arrival in early March of Fred & Celeste McFarland, and for their willingness to serve in Kyle over the coming years.
- Give thanks for Fred's experience as a pastor in the Presbyterian Church in America, for his years of service as a US Air Force Chaplain, and for his experience in church revitalisation.
- Pray for Fred & Celeste as they settle in and get to know the area, the community and the congregation.
- Pray for the congregation as they set out on a new chapter, that they would be united in their vision and in their commitment to mission. Pray for encouragement, health and growth.

## Culcheth Community Church, Warrington

Minister: Vacant  
[www.ccculcheth.org](http://www.ccculcheth.org)

- Give thanks for the ministry at Culcheth, and for all that has been done and is being done through the church and the café.
  - Pray for the church following the recent decision to leave IPC and become an independent church – that their future service will be fruitful for God's Kingdom.
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## Highland International Church, Inverness

Minister: James Torrens  
[www.hicinverness.org.uk](http://www.hicinverness.org.uk)

- Give thanks for Kirsten and Donald, the church's first deacons who were ordained on Sunday 18th March.
- Give thanks for recent newcomers, including some from the UK and some from overseas. Pray for the congregation to be a living and loving demonstration of the unity only the Holy Spirit can bring
- A number of Christian women have non-Christian husbands – please pray for their conversion. One of the six men comes regularly on a Sunday, another intermittently, the rest not at all.
- The church will be running a series called 'Foundations of the Christian Faith' on Sunday evenings after Easter. Pray that these would be useful for those who come and be used by God for his glory.

## Immanuel Church, Brentford

Minister: Stuart Cashman  
[www.immanuelbrentford.org](http://www.immanuelbrentford.org)

- Pray for the man currently going through the process of preparing for ordination to the eldership.
- Pray for the process of identifying, training and ordaining deacons.
- Pray for the start of a new Bible study for junior school aged girls; for increased momentum in evangelism; and for work on a new policy for mission partnerships.

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## IPC Ealing

Minister: Paul Levy  
[www.ipc-ealing.co.uk](http://www.ipc-ealing.co.uk)

- Give thanks for an encouraging few months, including the impact of the new elders as they help to provide more effective shepherding to the congregation.
- Give thanks that the building work is progressing, and pray that it continues smoothly.
- Pray for four candidates for training as deacons.
- Pray for the morale of the church as 8-10 members of the congregation move on in the coming months, and for new people to come in.

## St Peter's IPC, Liss

Minister: James Buchanan  
[www.ipc-liss.com](http://www.ipc-liss.com)

- Give thanks for recent encouragements, and for those who will shortly be received into membership.
  - Pray for fruit from recent Easter evangelistic events.
  - Pray for some new families to join the church.
  - Pray for the process of 're-activating' the diaconate.
  - Pray for unity in Christ and joy in faith.
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## **New City IPC, Shepherd's Bush**

Minister: Chris Hatch  
[www.newcityipc.org](http://www.newcityipc.org)

- Pray for the church following a recent drop in numbers – that God would encourage the congregation, and bring new people in.
- Pray for the new members' class coming up, and for a couple of marriages coming up shortly too.
- Chris will be spending a year away in Chicago – pray for him and for the church as they plan and prepare for this.

## **New Life Masih Ghar, Southall**

Ministers: Bob Heppe, Barry Schutter  
[www.nlmg.org](http://www.nlmg.org)

- Give thanks for three new members recently received, all from a Sikh background.
- Give thanks for the congregation's approval of Sunny to be put forward to the IPC for eldership.
- Pray for the mission team visiting the church from the USA, and for fruit to come from the visit.
- Pray for Sunny's forthcoming visit to India to seek out possible church partnerships.

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## **Trinity Church Aberdeen**

Minister: David Gibson  
[www.trinityaberdeen.org.uk](http://www.trinityaberdeen.org.uk)

- Give thanks for the large number of students the church has recently welcomed, and pray for wisdom in discipling them well.
- Give thanks for encouragements in the progress of the youth group.
- Give thanks for the wonderful news of the purchase of a church building for the congregation, and pray for wisdom and unity as many decisions are made in the coming months concerning renovation.

## **Trinity Church York**

Minister: Matthew Roberts  
[www.trinitychurchof.york.org.uk](http://www.trinitychurchof.york.org.uk)

- Give thanks for encouragements: a new Bible study in a nearby village, growth on Sundays including lots of new students, engagements, new babies, and the ordination of a new deacon.
  - At the same time, church life is feeling a little stretched – pray for able, willing, committed volunteers to take on tasks as needed.
  - Pray for those on the fringes of church life, that they would be glad to commit clearly.
  - Pray for the growing awareness of the congregation in its Reformed distinctives and witness.
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## **Church Plant: All Nations Church, Ilford**

Minister: Simon Arscott  
[www.ilfordipc.co.uk](http://www.ilfordipc.co.uk)

- Give thanks for two recent baptisms, including the church's first infant baptism.
- Give thanks that the first church lunch went well.
- Give thanks for steady attendance, and growth in understanding of what it is to be a Reformed church.
- Pray for Andrew Kueh's service in the congregation.

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## **Church Plant: Christ Church Central, Leeds**

Minister: Jonty Rhodes  
<http://www.centralleeds.church>

- Pray for the church's children to be nurtured well in the faith, and to grow up trusting in the Lord.
- Pray on for the process of getting to know unbelievers in the city and witnessing to them.
- Pray for some regulars who have moved on, and some visitors who have arrived – that they would settle.
- Pray for the afternoon Sunday School, with the children studying Genesis and the adults working through the Westminster Confession of Faith.