

Inshes East Prayer Topics for 18th December

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

1. Give thanks for appointment of **David Smith MP** as **UK Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion or Belief**. Pray he will lead with boldness and integrity as represents UK in international discussions on such Freedom & his work has positive impact on Xians & others persecuted for their faith/belief
2. Pray for **Caroline White**, grateful to celebrate Christmas with her family in Scotland but hoping she may be able to return sometime in January; for the hospital and the area impacted by growing illegal drug trade; give thanks for numbers of Xian books/booklets taken by people at hospital
3. Pray for **Tasmin Keshavjee** in **Madagascar** overseeing distribution of 250 rainwater harvesting water tanks in 10 different areas along the south and poorest part of island (see [here](#) [here](#) & [here](#))
4. **Moores (W Belfast)** Give thanks for God's blessing on work so far; pray for community contacts to be made through events planned for early in 2025; for weekly Bible Studies & monthly services
5. **Martins (W Smethwick)**: Pray for congregation: *a mix of backgrounds, ethnicities & language abilities – half are believers*. Give thanks for adult baptism on Dec 3; & for up to 20 children from babies to teenagers coming on a Sunday. Pray for patience & perseverance for **Tom & Rachel** .
6. **Sewells (Haddington)** Pray for **Carol Service** tonight (18th) being held in **Haddington West Parish Church & All Age Service Sun 22nd** in Hotel
7. **Crieff Fellowship Ministers Conference 7th-9th Jan – Christopher Ash & Steve Midgley** speaking
8. **MOL**: Give thank for all God has done this year since **Chris & Lindsay's** arrival; continue to pray for forming & fashioning of **Core Group**; for move to meeting on Sun eve in New Year; **MOL PS Christmas Assembly** (Fri 20th); **Open House** (Sat 21st)
9. Pray for our **Christmas Celebrations: All Age (Sun am); Carol singing, Inshes area (4pm); Candlelit (pm); Watchnight (24th) Christmas Day; All Age (Sun 29th am); Joint Evening at Free North (29th pm)** – that through all these Holy Spirit brings glory to God & draws many to Christ
10. Pray for **Daviot Care Home service** (Jan 5th); **Truthtrackers** outing to **Innoflate (Sat Jan 11th)**
11. **CARE: NHS** *Our Redeemer, please guide Health & Social Care Secretary Wes Streeting MP as he aspires to improve the nation's health: by cutting waiting times to get people back to work, expanding UK medical sciences and technology and developing NHS training and employment to deliver growth. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

Here are some other possibilities when thinking about who to pray for:

- 1) someone currently working & serving in another country eg Alexander, Anjana & Arnold & Andrew MacLeod; Caroline White; Kathleen Burns; Mayhews; Martins
- 2) for someone within your family or friendship circle or for a neighbour or work colleague
- 3) for a leader, locally or nationally having to make difficult & important decisions
- 4) for someone in another church family that you know- for their encouragement, their witness