

# United Reformed Church Northern Synod

## † Prayer Diary 2008 †

This diary is offered as a simple framework within which to weave your prayers for events in Synod and beyond – as church fellowships or individuals. They are grouped by Sunday dates, so can be included in worship, and/or as a focus for the week. Prayers for ecumenical leaders follow the pattern used by the leaders themselves.

*Prayer, the Church's banquet, Angels' age,  
God's breath in man, returning to his birth,  
The soul in paraphrase, heart in pilgrimage,  
The Christian plummet sounding heav'n and earth.*

*(George Herbert)*



### **January** Tees and Swale Mission Partnership

Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> Darlington Northgate & Springfield Centre; Zion Northallerton.  
Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> The Two Dales pastorate – Barnard Castle, Keld, Low Row  
Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> Ministers Tjarda Murray; Julie Martin  
Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> Moderator, Rowena Francis; Synod Clerk & Ecumenical Officer, John Durell; Synod Treasurer  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Mark Bryant (Anglican Bishop of Jarrow)*

### **February** Newcastle/East Coast Mission Partnership

Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> Church of the Good Shepherd Battle Hill LEP; St. Mark's High Howden  
Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> St. Andrew's Monkseaton; Trinity Whitley Bay  
Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> St. Cuthbert's Heaton LEP; St. George's High Heaton, St. Columba's North Shields  
Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> Ministers/Church Leaders: Janet Appleby (CofE), Peter Heckels, Liz Blair, Jim Farley, Margaret Johnson  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Melvin & Susan Fincham (Salvation Army)*

### **March** South East Northumberland Ecumenical Area

March 2<sup>nd</sup> Trinity Ashington LEP; Trinity Bedlington LEP  
March 9<sup>th</sup> Christ Church North Broomhill LEP; Widdrington  
March 16<sup>th</sup> Blyth; St. Mark's Newbiggin; Seaton Delaval LEP  
March 23<sup>rd</sup> Ministers: Malcolm Sellers (Meth), Barry Welch, John Joughin (Meth), Yvonne Tracey, Catherine Minor (Meth), Carla Hall (Meth), John Pugh, (Meth)  
March 30<sup>th</sup> Retired Ministers within the Synod  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Graham Carter (Methodist Chair of Darlington District)*

### **April** Nine Churches Mission Partnership

April 6<sup>th</sup> St. Aidan's Hexham; Haltwhistle; St. George's Morpeth & Great Bavington  
April 13<sup>th</sup> Horsley LEP; John Knox West Denton  
April 20<sup>th</sup> Ponteland; Stamfordham LEP; St. John's Wideopen  
April 27<sup>th</sup> Ministers: Ron Forster, John Paul, Philip Gray  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Martin Wharton (Anglican Bishop of Newcastle)*

### **May** North Tyne Group

May 4<sup>th</sup> Bellingham LEP; Falstone & Kielder; Wark LEP. Minister: Janet Flawn  
May 11<sup>th</sup> Education & Training Officer, David Peel; Universities, Colleges & schools in the Synod  
May 18<sup>th</sup> Children's Officer, Hannah Middleton; young people within the Synod  
May 25<sup>th</sup> Development Enabler, Janet Turner; local church communities  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Mark Bonnington & Brian Howell (Independent Free Churches)*

### **June** Newcastle North/Central Mission Partnership

June 1<sup>st</sup> St. Andrew's Benton LEP; Trinity Gosforth LEP  
June 8<sup>th</sup> St. John the Evangelist Kingston Park LEP  
June 15<sup>th</sup> Jesmond; St. James Newcastle; urban communities  
June 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Andrew's Kenton & West End; Robert Stewart Memorial Newcastle  
June 29<sup>th</sup> Ministers: Peter Rand, David Bedford, Roger Mills (CofE), Nigel Watson, James Breslin, Nigel Goodfellow  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Kevin Dunn (Roman Catholic Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle)*

### **July** North Northumberland Mission Partnership

July 6<sup>th</sup> Belford & North Sunderland; rural communities  
July 13<sup>th</sup> Berwick; Crookham; Wooler; Chatton;  
July 20<sup>th</sup> St. Cuthbert's Holy Island Project; holiday visitors  
July 27<sup>th</sup> Ministers: David Herbert, Tony Ritchie, Barry Hutchinson  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Robert Ladds (Anglican Bishop of Whitby)*

### **August** Mid Northumberland Mission Partnership

Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. James Alnwick; St. Mark's Amble & Warkworth;  
Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> Branton, Felton & Longframlington;  
Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> Thropton & Rothbury;  
Aug. 24<sup>th</sup> Ministers: Joan Grindrod-Helm, Greg Thompson, Edward Butlin, Pamela Ward  
Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> Synod Office staff: Andrew Atkinson, Alison Beecroft, Wendy Watson  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Rowena Francis*

### **September** Sunderland/South Tyneside Mission Partnership

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> South Shields St. Margaret's, St. Paul & St. John's & St. Andrew's Hebburn  
Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> Oxclose Washington LEP; Sunderland – St. George's & West Park  
Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> Sunderland – Boldon, Roker, Grindon & St. Bede  
Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> Ministers & CRCW: Ann Jackson, Susan Kent (CofE), Peter Jordan, Andy Coyne, Helen Stephenson  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Tom Wright (Anglican Bishop of Durham)*

### **October** County Durham Mission Partnership

Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Durham Waddington Street; St. Andrew's Crook LEP; St. George's Hartlepool  
Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> North West Durham Group – St. Andrew's Blackhill, Bethel Chester-le-Street, Christ Church Stanley  
Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> Ministers: Ann Shepherdson (Meth), Val Towler, Jan Maxwell, Steven Orange, Ray Anglesea  
Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> Older people within our churches and communities  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Leo Osborn (Methodist Chair of Newcastle District)*

### **November** Teesside South East Mission Partnership

Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Mark's Coulby Newham LEP; Ingleby Barwick mission project;  
Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> East Cleveland Group – Guisborough, Lingdale, Linthorpe, St. Andrew's Nunthorpe & Marton, Redcar  
Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> Teesdale Group – St. Columba's Billingham, St. Andrew's Mission, Stockton  
Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> Tees Valley Mission - Stockton Community Chaplain; Industrial areas within the Synod  
Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> Ministers: Mike Proctor (CofE), Catey Morrison, Meg Robb, Colin Offor, David Whiting  
*Ecumenical church leaders: John Claydon (Northern Baptist Association Regional Minister)*

### **December** Gateshead Group and Mission Partnership

Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> Brighton Road; Cromer Avenue; Denewell Avenue  
Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> Ryton; Winlaton LEP; Synod Committees  
Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> Ministers: Gordon & Elaine Brown  
Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> Asylum seekers; people of other faiths  
*Ecumenical church leaders: Paul Richardson (Anglican Assistant Bishop of Newcastle)*

*Topical subjects for prayer within the synod are suggested each week  
on the prayer page of the synod website*