

ANNAN OLD – Ongoing Appeals

Used stamps for FIF Project...Please keep the used stamps from your mail and give them to Jennifer to benefit current project.

Stamp Appeal. Project 2025 -2026 Support of the Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza.

The Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Northern Gaza has been in operation since 1882. It is owned and run today by the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, a partner Church of the Church of Scotland. The hospital is the only Christian hospital in the Gaza Strip and Gaza's only cancer hospital. It normally handles around 300 surgeries and 600 radiological and a total of 3,000 outpatient visits per month. It is supported by international charities such as Embrace the Middle East. In times of calm during the occupation of Gaza, Al Ahli Hospital runs as any normal hospital with varying departments and an Accident and Emergency dealing with the usual day to day ailments of a population.

Since the beginning of the conflict in Gaza in October 2023, the Al Ahli Anglican Hospital has conducted emergency operations 24 hours per day, operating on 30-35 people per day.

Despite all, and through all the bombing, the hospital continued to serve the population in whatever way they could with the small resources they had, with staff working hours under difficult conditions. The team at the Al Ahli hospital continue to schedule its staff to ensure that the hospital is accessible 24 hours a day. To enable the Ahli to respond to the increasing need at this time, there continues to be an urgent need of medications and other resources for emergency response.

The hospital has been significantly damaged by the war and will require substantial funding to ensure buildings are once again brought up to standard and there will also be the need for new medical infrastructure which has been damaged.

This hospital was badly damaged when bombed recently.

To read the full report go our Church website 'Stamp Appeal'.

If you would you like to provide Flowers for the Sanctuary, please write your name beside your chosen date. After the Service the flowers are distributed to the ill, housebound and bereaved, or alternatively you might like to donate to the Flower Fund – there is a box at each door – to finance Sundays when flowers are not being provided by members. See Alison Jackson for more details.

Help for Ukraine Newstart Recycle (23 Queensberry Street). continue collecting goods for the Ukrainian refugees. The type of goods required are blankets, towels, good clean women and children's clothes, small toys for orphanages, school-wear, medication, dry food, toiletries, tinned food and pet food. Financial help would be welcome too. (Duvets and pillows are not being sent but will be used locally).

PRAYERS

Please pray for our Session Clerk Sue Jackson and the Kirk Session as they lead us through this time of change. Pray that during this time we may be guided by the Holy Spirit to strengthen the fellowship within the Church and pray that the Spirit may guide the right person to come to be our Minister.

Pray for Mrs. Gillian Lynn as she serves as Moderator of Presbytery, and our Presbytery Elders John Bicket and Eddie Clarke.

Remember those members of our congregation who are sick at this time.

Pray for our friends Petr and Jana Penaz and their Church in the Czech Republic

Pray for peace in the Middle East.

Pray too for a permanent solution to end to the conflict in Ukraine

PLEASE PRAY.....

Jesus said, "Let your light shine" - Read Matthew 5 v 16

This week, please pray for God's Blessing on the people living in the following streets in Annan.

Silvermount	Silverwalk	Solway Crescent
Solway Street	Solway Park	Solway View

Pray too for the people living in the following Streets in Eastriggs/Dornock

Ladysmith Road	Low Meadow	
Lowthertown (Central, East & North Roads)		
Melbourne Avenue	Melbourne Court	Millbrae

We may not know any of the people living there, but God knows and loves them all.

From Pray for Scotland

Please Pray for

Williamwood House, Glasgow

A care home for older people living with dementia.

- For all new residents who have come to live at Williamwood House: may they settle in, enjoy life and make new friends.
- For new staff: that they would enjoy the variety of their roles and the learning available organisationally, from other colleagues and from the residents.
- For the families and friends of the residents: may they know times of blessing when they visit their loved ones.
- For good weather which will allow residents and staff to enjoy outdoor activities.
- Thanks for the staff, may God grant them strength, wellbeing and resilience as they focus on caring for the residents.

From CrossReach Prayer Diary

***Your Word is a lamp to my feet,
and a light for my path.***
from Psalm 119 verse 105 NIV

Bible Readings for the week to come

Sunday	27th	Genesis 46	verses	28-47:12
Monday	28th	Genesis 47	verses	13-31
Tuesday	29th	Genesis 48	verses	1-22
Wednesday	30th	Genesis 49	verses	29-50:14
Thursday	31st	Genesis 50	verses	15-26
Friday	1st	Galatians 1	verses	1-24
Saturday	2nd	Galatians 2	verses	1-14