



# FIRST OMAGH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Sunday 28th January 2024



### Theme

**Proximity 1 - Habits of a Lifetime.** Bible Passage Acts 2: 42-47

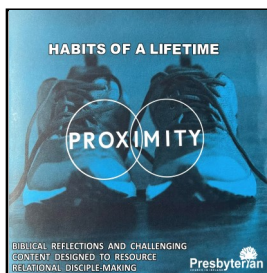


The service will be live streamed on: [https://youtube.com/live/ggBXxOwf\\_UI](https://youtube.com/live/ggBXxOwf_UI) for those joining in from home.

**Jigsaw, Blast & Tots will meet today Sun 28th Jan.** N.B. **TOTS** aged 0-5 will have 2 adult helpers each week, U3's to be accompanied by an adult.



**Sunday lunch today Sunday 28th January.** Lunch will be served after the morning service in the Rowan Hall for all who have booked.



**Spring Bible Study, entitled Proximity - Habits of a Lifetime** will begin this week on **Thurs 1st February @ 10.30 am** in Audrey's home and **@ 7.30pm** in church hall. This study is produced by PCI & copies of booklet, costing £2, may be picked up from the vestibule.

**Next Sunday 4th Feb : Communion Sunday 11:30am.**

**Special Guest Speaker: Dr Anne Zaki**, Professor of Evangelical Theological College, Cairo. Dr Zaki will reflect on what God is doing through the church in Egypt today. She will highlight, given the context and challenges encountered, how the church is responding creatively to the call of God.



**7pm - Evening Thanksgiving Service followed by shortened communion service.**

*'God's Church in Egypt; Challenges, Calling & Creativity'* PCI Conference.

Friday, 2 February 2024 at 9.30 am - Assembly Buildings, Belfast, Key speaker: Dr Zaki.

## First Omagh Coffee Stop



## Advance Notice

**Re-starting Wed  
14th February  
10.30-12noon**


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**PRAYER CHAIN**  **Prayer Chain** - Contact Isobel: 07789 424606 if you have a confidential request for yourself or someone else. (with their permission).


**Clothes for Malawi** - Shoes, handbags, bed linen, Embangweni, Malawi fund. **Contact : Edwin Johnston: 07920 016573** to arrange a drop off time.


 **2024 5x5x5**  
*Pick up a copy of the plan in the Church porch any Sunday*  
**New Testament Bible Reading Plan**  
*Read through the New Testament in one year*  
 ⑤ chapters a week, ⑤ days a week, ⑤ minutes a day  
**Week 5** | **Day 1: Acts Ch 5** **Day 2: Acts Ch 6**  
**28 Jan to** | **Day 3: Acts Ch 7** **Day 4: Acts Ch 8**  
**03 Feb** | **Day 5: Acts Ch 9**

 **Craft group.** Will meet this week on **Monday 29th January 2024.** New members are very welcome.

 **Senior Badminton.** Will meet this week on **Monday 29th Jan.**  
**Ladies - Tuesday 30th Jan : 10.30am.**

 **BB : Will meet - Tues 30th Jan.**  
 Contact Captain Andy 07818 851710.

 **Mission Africa**  
 Donations will be received during the month of Jan.  
 For more information check <https://www.missionafrica.org.uk/>

 **Bowling Club.** Will meet on **Wed 31st Jan** at 7.30pm. New members are very welcome.

**TODDLE ALONG** **Meeting Thurs 1st Feb.**

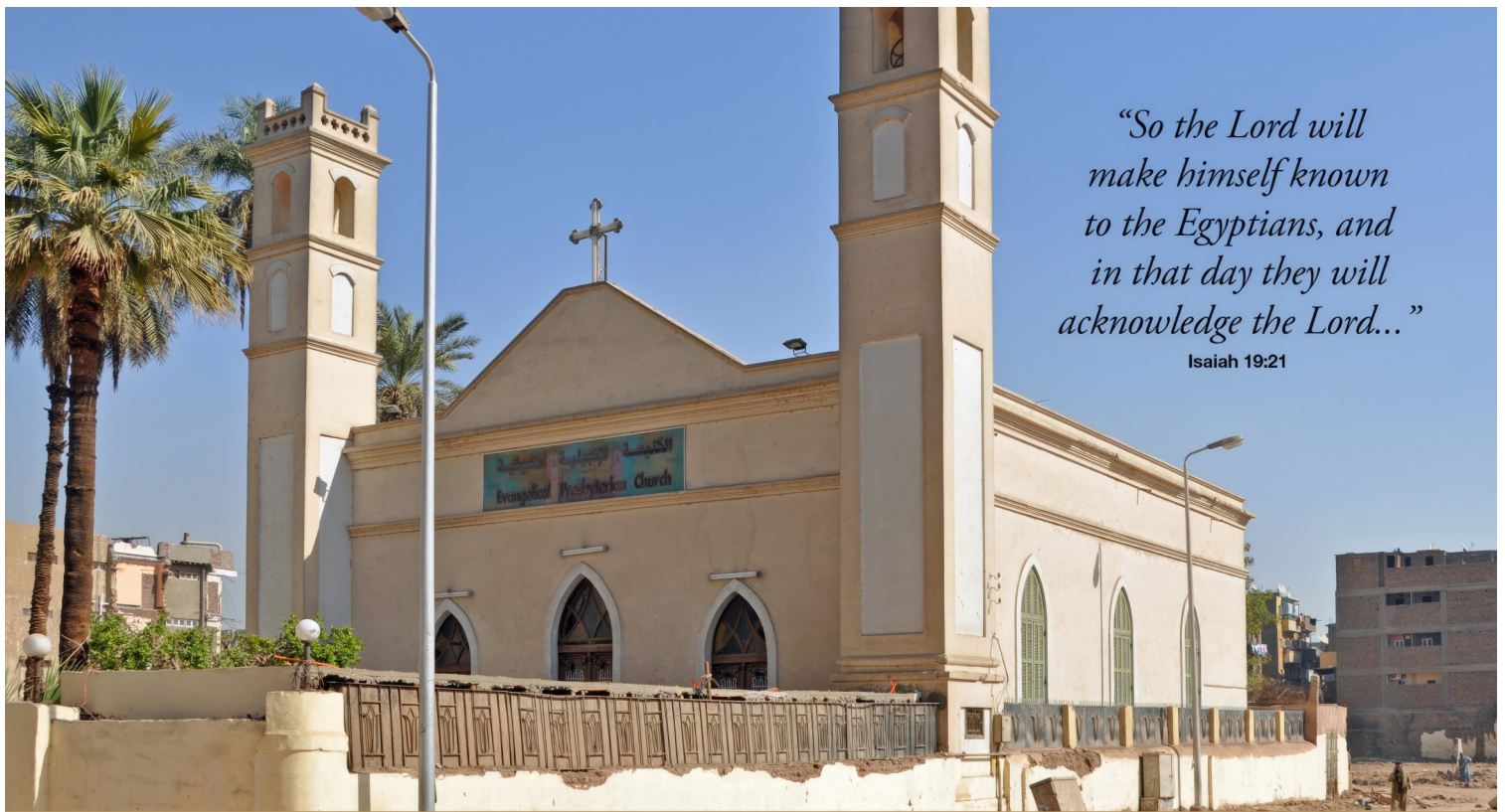
 **PCI Council and Committee Vacancies**  
 If you are a communicant member of our congregation and would be interested in serving the church in this way then please speak to Jane by 31st January. For more info check out:  
<https://www.presbyterianireland.org/Utility/About-Us/Opportunities/Committees,-Councils-and-Commissions.aspx>

**ADOPTION – Could you provide a child with a family for life?** Are you married, single or co-habiting and are interested in adopting a young child into your family? The Western Trust are holding Information events about Adoption: **Monday 29th January 2024 from 3.00 – 5.00pm. This event will be held in the Case Conference Room in Omagh Hospital & Primary Care Complex.** • **Wednesday 31st January 2024 from 3.00 – 5.00pm. This event will be held in the Family Room, Whitehill, 106 Irish Street, Londonderry, BT47 2 ND.** Please feel free to drop into any of the Information sessions. If you prefer to join the online event, please contact Colette McCann, Social Worker on **07879 803297** or **028 82 835114.**

### January Prayer Topics

- Trinity and Gillygooley congregations and Vacancy Convenor Rev Jane Nelson.
- Naomi and Thomas Leremore and sons Aaron (16) and Silas (13) PCI missionaries in Nairobi Kenya.
- Japanese Earthquake, the injured, bereaved and homeless.
- First Omagh Badminton and Bowling Clubs as they begin a new season.





*"So the Lord will  
make himself known  
to the Egyptians, and  
in that day they will  
acknowledge the Lord..."*

Isaiah 19:21

# God's Church in Egypt; Challenges, Calling & Creativity

Dr Zaki will speak at the following events and everyone interested is welcome to attend:

## CONFERENCE

**Friday 2 February 2024**

**9.30am–1pm**

**Assembly Buildings, Belfast**

The conference will include presentations, table group discussions, lunch and is free of charge.

**Pre-booking is essential by:**

**Tel:** +44 (0)28 9032 2284

**Email:** [mission@presbyterianireland.org](mailto:mission@presbyterianireland.org)

**Web:** [www.presbyterianireland.org/events](http://www.presbyterianireland.org/events)

**Closing date for conference bookings is Friday, 19 January.**

## ADDITIONAL EVENTS

No pre-booking required

**Friday 2 February**

**7.30pm**

Garnerville Presbyterian Church, Belfast

**Sunday, 4 February**

**11.30am**

First Omagh Presbyterian Church

**7pm**

Glendermott Presbyterian Church  
Derry & Donegal Presbytery event

These events are an opportunity to help us discover how best we can stand alongside, support and learn from Christian communities in the Middle East, not least when they face persecution, uncertainty and conflict in the region.

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Dr Anne Zaki** grew up in Cairo in a pastor's home. She is married to Rev Naji Umran and they have four sons.

Dr Zaki holds a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and Sociology from Calvin University, USA; a Master's degree in Social Psychology from the American University, Cairo; a Master's of Divinity from Calvin Theological Seminary; and a PhD in theology with a concentration on preaching from Fuller Theological Seminary.

Having worked as a resource development specialist, a psychologist and a counsellor, and served together with her husband in churches in Michigan and British Columbia, Dr Zaki has served as a Professor of Preaching and Practical Theology at the Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo, Egypt since 2013.

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