



## December Regional Prayer Focus

### Belfast, Northern Ireland

**Introduction:** Belfast, located on the flood plain of the River Lagan, is the capital and largest city of Northern Ireland with a population of 286,000. It is the second largest city on the island of Ireland. Belfast is a center for industry, as well as the arts, higher education and business. It is also a legal center and the economic engine of Northern Ireland.

**Language:** Irish is the native language, but English is mainly spoken in Belfast.

**Religion:** Christianity is the largest religion in Northern Ireland. Northern Ireland is the most religious part of the UK with 45% regularly attending church. In recent years, the Roman Catholic Church has seen a growth in attendees while the other Christian groups have seen a decrease. There are also small communities of Muslims, Hindus, Sikh, Buddhists and Jews.

#### Prayer Points:

- Pray for a spiritual awakening.
- Pray for the bonds of traditionalism to be broken.
- Pray for open doors.
- Pray for laborers.

