

# Prayer Focus

## August 2022



*"Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."*

**Lamentations 3:21-23**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>:** *This week we pray about our Harvest appeal, which is raising emergency funds to equip our international partners to step in and stop hunger. We pray for children affected by food crises in our projects. We pray for CEO John White and Operations Officer Dorica Kaswa who are travelling to Zambia.*

On **Monday** pray for our Harvest appeal raising funds to fight hunger and provide feeding programmes as appropriate within our projects\*. Pray for an end to the escalating hunger crisis and for the millions of people worldwide who experience severe food insecurity.

On **Tuesday** pray for children who live in extreme poverty globally, and the increasing numbers suffering from malnutrition. Pray for children in Sri Lanka and Lebanon where collapsing economies mean basic foodstuffs and utilities are unaffordable or unavailable.

On **Wednesday** pray for communities relying on subsistence farming, which is severely disrupted by climate changes. Pray for children in Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda who face starvation and potential famine after relentless droughts and soaring food prices.

On **Thursday** pray for children supported by our partners in Patripul, India who suffer discrimination at school and often only receive leftover food. Pray for relief from the hunger currently driving them to rummage in school rubbish bins for food scraps.

On **Friday** give thanks for food relief Global Care provided during pandemic restrictions, for the programme providing food vouchers for children in Sri Lanka with HIV/AIDS, and for the sponsorship programme which enables children to receive food at school.

On **Saturday** pray for John and Dorica who leave the UK today at the start of their long journey to Kabompo, Zambia. Pray for good health and safe travel throughout their trip.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>:** *This week we continue to pray for the management visit to Zambia and pray for our partners New Life Action Foundation Trust (NLAFT) and their work in rural villages in Kabompo District.*

On **Sunday** give thanks and pray for our partners NLAFT, providing education and welfare support in rural Zambia. Pray for the village communities they support, where families survive through subsistence farming and have limited access to basic services.

On **Monday** as John and Dorica finally arrive in Kabompo, pray they can rest and prepare for meetings and trips. Pray that the local team and the families they support will be encouraged by their visitors.

On **Tuesday** pray meetings taking place in Zambia today will be blessed and constructive. Pray for wisdom and discernment as John and Dorica review and discuss our partner's existing initiatives. Pray for inspiration as the UK and Zambia teams consider new programmes.

On **Wednesday** pray for good health for children and families supported by NLAFT and pray for the sponsorship programme. Pray for families affected by HIV/AIDS. Pray for protection from the latest wave of coronavirus and for improved uptake of covid vaccines.

On **Thursday** give thanks for all the children who access education through M8 Community Primary School, pray for home visits John and Dorica plan to make today. Pray staff will be encouraged and envisioned by the UK visit to the school.

On **Friday** pray for safeguarding training taking place throughout the trip. Pray for a greater understanding of the rights of children. Pray local communities understand the value of education for their children and that children will be encouraged to attend school.

On **Saturday** pray for John and Dorica as they begin their journey home. Pray for a smooth journey and for insight and encouragement as they review the trip. Pray they return to work next week refreshed and inspired.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>:** *This week we pray for our partners Emmanuel Ministries and their work in Kolkata, India, at Calcutta Emmanuel School and Pavement Clubs.*

On **Sunday** give thanks and pray for Emmanuel Ministries and their programmes in Kolkata. Pray for wisdom and strength in their work supporting disadvantaged and marginalised children and families living in extreme poverty.

On **Monday** pray for the children who attend Calcutta Emmanuel School (CES). Pray children can study well and improve and progress academically. Pray covid prevention measures are successful in ensuring there are no coronavirus outbreaks at the school.

On **Tuesday** pray for teachers and support staff. Give thanks for their commitment to ensuring children continued with their education despite frequently changing rules in the last two years. Give thanks for the children who passed recent national exams.

On **Wednesday** give thanks and pray for the sponsorship programme, which enables some of the poorest children in Kolkata to receive quality education, food and healthcare at Calcutta Emmanuel School and through the Pavement Club.

On **Thursday** give thanks and pray for the Pavement Club team providing basic education and health and hygiene classes to children living in slums. Pray for their outreach work aimed at encouraging families to access education and participate in community development.

On **Friday** give thanks that through the work of Emmanuel Ministries, children also enjoy fun activities and have a safe place to play. Pray for wisdom for the team deciding which children should join their programmes.

On **Saturday** pray for relief from the grinding poverty which drives families to take desperate measures to ensure their families are fed. Pray for children taken out of school to go to work and girls forced into early marriages.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>:** *This week we pray for our partners and their work at Global Care centres in Patripul, Mumbai, India. We pray for our partners Street Kids Direct (SKD) Guatemala and their work in Guatemala City.*

On **Sunday** give thanks and pray for local teams at Global Care centres in Patripul, Mumbai. Pray for wisdom, and for their safety in their work supporting and advocating for persecuted Dalit families and children.

On **Monday** pray for an end to the discrimination and abuse children who attend the centres receive at school and in the community. Pray that our partner's support enables them to gain self-determination and dignity and believe in a hopeful future.

On **Tuesday** pray for Dalit families who struggle to find work to generate enough income for basic necessities for the whole family. Pray for children expected to work alongside their parents in menial and humiliating jobs.

On **Wednesday** give thanks and pray for the SKD Guatemala staff and volunteer teams. Pray for volunteer mentors and for children on the mentoring programme. Pray children learn to make wise choices and understand the value of education.

On **Thursday** pray for children and young people who attended tuition classes at SKD Guatemala centres. Pray that children are motivated to attend school regularly and continue to have improved academic progress.

On **Friday** give thanks for the SKD protection home which offers short-term emergency accommodation for children and families needing a safe place to stay. Pray for the SKD team who help to find longer term safe accommodation solutions.

On **Saturday** pray for families in Guatemala City who struggle to find jobs and support their families. Pray that families prioritise education and pray for the safety of children expected to work to support family finances.

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>:** *This week we pray for our partners, the Addis Kidan Baptist Church Welfare and Development Association, the self-help groups they administer in Koshe and Shashamane, Ethiopia, and initiatives to support communities ravaged by extended drought.*

On **Sunday** give thanks for our Ethiopian partners. Pray for Mesfin, the new project officer, that he settles into his new role quickly, as he oversees work in Koshe and Shashamane.

On **Monday** pray for women taking part in the self-help groups and give thanks for business management training they receive. Pray training continues to be effective and pray more women join the groups and are empowered to set up profitable income-generating activities.

On **Tuesday** pray for community facilitators and volunteers who support the groups and visit women's homes. Pray that families and communities are encouraged by home visits and gain understanding of ways to improve children's health and living conditions.

On **Wednesday** pray for wisdom and resources for the team working to support families in southern and eastern Ethiopia, the areas worst affected by the multi-season drought. Pray for inspiration and good connections to help aid reach the neediest families.

\* To find out more about our Emergency Harvest Appeal go to [www.globalcare.org/stop-hunger](http://www.globalcare.org/stop-hunger) or call the office on 030 030 21 030