

DECEMBER

PRAYER FOCUS



Wow, our 40th anniversary year is nearly over! Thank you so much for the multiple ways you have helped to make it special, and thank you most of all for your prayers. Everything we achieve is entirely by the grace of God, and we're so grateful to those of you who faithfully stand with us before our Father and commit our work to Him.

1-9 DEC

WEEK ONE

This week, we pray for children struggling with health needs, marking World AIDS Day (1st) and International Day for Disability (3rd).

Please pray for:

- HIV+ children attending the Kadella Centre in Sri Lanka
- HIV/AIDS affected children at Spurgeons Academy, Kenya
- sponsored children in Uganda and India affected by HIV/AIDS
- equity and justice for disabled children in poor communities
- more advocates for disabled children, including more Support Groups in Uganda.



10-16 DEC

WEEK TWO

This week, we pray for our UK team, at the end of an extremely busy year.

Please pray for:

- wisdom as we seek the right people to fill staff vacancies
- good health, protection and rest for staff, volunteers and their families, who are experiencing varied challenges
- our continued need for more volunteers in our charity shops, especially in Radford
- positive outcomes from our carol concert on Saturday (9th), the final event of our anniversary year.
- wisdom as we reflect on our year.



Filling in the gaps for girls

Give thanks for the £70,000 raised so far this year to support the needs of marginalised girls.

Girls are too often at the sharp end of inequality, yet investing in girls makes a huge difference to child welfare over the long term. Pray these funds transform many young lives!

WEEK THREE

This week, as Christmas approaches, praise God for Jesus! We remember those children who experience - as He did - inadequate housing and poverty.

Please pray for children like:

- *Henry, living in a tumbledown shack on a patch of land liable to flooding in Kampala, with his mum, both of whom are HIV+
- twins *Percy and *Polly, living in a tiny shack in Kibera, Kenya, with their grandmother who makes and sells an illicit brew
- displaced children in Myanmar
- *Micha in Kolkata, whose family lives in an understairs cupboard.



A Grace Gift

When visiting our partners in Zimbabwe, John usually takes with him a suitcase of clothes for the children at the Houtberg Centre. Sadly he wasn't able to do so during a recent visit, due to the need to take training materials. But God had it covered! Within weeks, project leaders received a call from a local

government contact offering them a free gift of ten bales of suitable clothing - far more than John could have delivered! Cue celebrations all round. Praise God for His provision!



WEEK FOUR

This week, as we celebrate Christmas and see out the year, give thanks for God's provision for our work and commit to Him the year ahead.

Please pray for:

- God's blessing on our faithful donors & supporters, giving thanks for their generosity
- wisdom and encouragement for our international partners, many facing major economic and political challenges.
- wisdom, inspiration and encouragement for our staff, trustees, shops teams and volunteers, giving thanks for all they do for vulnerable children.