

### 17-23 August

Focus on: **Karis Kids (Kampala)**

- Uphold St Paul's, the Downs Benefice's link church in Okuvu, Kamala, and pray for the lead pastor, Rev Capt Jackson Asiku. In particular pray for their outreach into the local community.
- Pray for the children of our eight linked Karis families. Pray they will work hard at their studies, keep healthy, find a purpose in their lives and be able to look forward with hope for the future.
- Praise God for the success of the recent Karis Fete at Winchester Vineyard Church which raised over £12,000 towards the work in Kampala.

### 24-30 August

Focus on: **The Brickworks (supporting projects in South Sudan)**

- Pray for ongoing donations and fundraising initiatives to allow the work of the Brickworks to continue.
- A team from Bristol is flying to Uganda and South Sudan this October, and will spend time in Yei visiting the Martha Clinic, the National Health Training Institute, several primary schools and the Bishop Allison Theological College. Pray for the team in their preparations.
- Pray for the 20 teachers at the Yei Teacher Training College who are funded by the Brickworks, working towards either a Certificate of Diploma of Education.

### 31 August – 6 September

Focus on: **Winchester Organisations**

- **Trinity Winchester** – give thanks for the completion of three new emergency accommodation flatlets (the Kanga project), bringing accommodation provisions to 24.
- **Winchester Basics Bank** – Pray for the volunteer staffing the new hub at Badger Farm Community Centre on Mondays.
- **Winchester Street and School Pastors** – Uphold the street pastors who service the city centre on Friday and Saturday nights, offering reassurance, safety and support to those who are enjoying the city's nightlife.

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## St Catherine's Church, Littleton



## *Mission Prayer Diary* *July - August 2025*

“Lord, help us to do whatever  
You ask of us.”

# Welcome

We hope that this prayer diary may help you in focussing your prayers in support of the mission interests of St Catherine's Church family.

This month I'd like to share a prayer from Tearfund's Northern Ireland Director, Chris Thompson:

*God, may we be people who join in Jesus' self-denial; he who gave his whole self and held nothing back. May we discover the ways and places where we are already rich – time, ability, words and resources – and then have the grace to share.*

*As we watch our subtraction, may we see you turn it into multiplication.*

*As we watch our bread and fishes go to work, may we see others filled and nourished.*

*As we loosen our grip on things, may your grip on our lives tighten – the only grip which really matters.*

*In doing all this, might we experience deep joy and true abundance, and may we see your kingdom come. Amen*

Please join with us and share in bringing the concerns of our world before God, whose love and compassion know no limits.

## 6-12 July

Focus on: **MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship), with Ben and Esther, Barny, Reuben and Jesse Brown, in Arnhem Land, Northern Australia**

- Pray for Ben, Esther and the family as Ben leads the team in Arnhem Land and pray that many lives will be transformed by the love of Christ.
- Pray for the communities in Arnhem Land cut off by floods in the spring, as they seek to repair damage. Praise God for the MAF flights which provided much needed provisions
- Pray for the growth of the UK volunteer team so that interest and awareness of MAF's work is spread in more churches and groups.

## 13-19 July

Focus on: **Open Doors**

- **Eritrea** – Believers continue to be arrested. Some prominent pastors have spent nearly two decades in prison. Pray for prisoners and their families to be sustained by God's grace.
- **Mexico** – More than 100 believers from Chiapas State were recently forced to flee from their communities due to escalating violence from criminal gangs. Please pray for God's provision and direction for them.
- **North Africa** – despite the dangers, many young girls and women are choosing to follow Jesus. Pray for them to thrive in their God-given calling.

## 20-26 July

Focus on: **Chris and Kesia Pain (OMF Japan), Caleb, Jonjun, Carys and Megumi**

- Pray for the Lord to pour out his Spirit on Japan so that many people will come to know Jesus.
- Pray for Caleb who has finished his history degree and is seeking God's will for his future, for Jonjun who has finished his first year in Durham and for the girls at school in Japan but preparing for Megumi to start at Hebron School in India next term.
- Kesia's mother has been diagnosed with cancer – pray for her as she recovers from surgery, and for Kesia, supporting from such a distance

## 27 July – 2 August

Focus on: **Tearfund**

- Pray for aid to Gaza to be allowed through freely and at scale by experienced humanitarian organisations, like Tearfund's local partners, who have effective, impartial systems in place to deliver emergency supplies to people who desperately need it the most.
- Pray for families in Syria and around the world who have lost their homes and livelihoods to disaster or conflict.
- Pray for Tearfund's advocacy team challenging unjust policies and practices locally, nationally and globally

## • 3-9 August

Focus on: **The work of CMS in Northern Argentina, Bishop Crisanto Rojas, CMS partner**

- A CMS-facilitated team of indigenous mission leaders are focusing on developing people who are already in positions of leadership and raising up new leaders to guide the next generation in their faith. Pray for new and potential leaders.
- In partnership with the Diocese of Northern Argentina, CMS is helping to support 13 indigenous women to study at the Anglican Formation Centre (CeFA) in Ingeniero Juárez to equip them to serve the church. As a result of recent flooding, some CeFA students were unable to return to their communities for their two-week study break. Please pray for them to be able to return home soon, and for those rebuilding their homes and communities
- Pray for former mission partner Nick Drayson as he fulfils his new role as a trustee for CMS.

## 10-16 August

Focus on: **Winchester City Centre Chaplaincy**

- Pray for the new Listening Service, meeting twice a month at St Lawrence's Church, where adults can come and talk to an experienced listener in a free and safe place, and the new monthly Christian mindfulness meditations 'Take Time Together' which started in June.
- Pray for others to join the team. More retail chaplains are needed, another person to join the team in the courts and the establishment of a team to go back into the City Council. Uphold Alison Dolphin, lead chaplain, as she coordinates training of new volunteers.