

## 16-22 August

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

- Nick and Julie Winning are standing down as Directors of Karis Kids this summer. Please pray for the right person/people, with a real heart for the ministry, to come forward to take on this role.
- Pray for those members of the families who earn money by selling on the streets and are suffering in the crackdown on street traders by the city authority, particularly one of our supported families who was arrested, kept in the police station overnight, and fined.
- Pray for all of the families (and the team) as they cope with rising taxes on everyday items. Pray for political stability as the new government is sworn in.

## 23-29 August

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

- Give thanks for the recent short trip to South Sudan made by John and Poppy Spens together with a small team from Bristol, for safety in travel and the chance to catch up with many friends and projects in Yei.
- So far, there are no known cases of Ebola in South Sudan, so pray that this will continue and that South Sudan can avoid this terrible disease.
- Pray for the staff at the Matha Clinic, some of whom (those employed by UNICEF) have not been paid for the last six months.

## 30 August – 5 September

### Focus on **Winchester Organisations**

- **Winchester City Chaplaincy** - Pray for new openings in hospitality, sport, business etc, all dependent on new chaplains coming forward.
- **Trinity Winchester** – Give thanks for the 40 years being celebrated this year, of supporting people across Winchester affected by homelessness, social isolation and domestic abuse.
- **Boaz** – Pray that all members will feel respected and nurtured whilst participating in work tasks related to agriculture and horticulture, supported by the team.

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## St Catherine's Church, Littleton



## *Mission Prayer Diary* *July/August 2026*

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

# Welcome

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

I am writing this following the news of the devastating earthquake in Venezuela. So much death, injury, destruction, loss of homes, businesses and infrastructure. The situation can seem overwhelming. So, what can we do? We can release God's power and goodness into these situations through our prayers, and we can give generously to organisations who are able to help with disaster relief, such as Tearfund and Christian Aid, sharing God's love in action.

*'You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.'*  
*2 Corinthians 9: 11*

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

## 5-11 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. Pray for wisdom and peace as Ben leads the team in Arnhem Land and pray that God's will be done both there and across the globe.
- Praise God MAF can use amazing people and aircraft to support isolated communities, helping make possible access to primary healthcare, education, community services and church ministry.
- Pray for the next generation of MAF pilots and engineers, that barriers to their training would be removed and that finances would not hinder them stepping into their calling.

## 12-18 July

Focus on: **Open Doors**

- **Honduras** – is going through a fragile transition following controversial elections last year. Pray that the new government will act with integrity, transparency and justice.
- **Syria** – There is a real fear of increased Islamist radicalisation in parts of Syrian society. Pray that God's love will cast out all fear, and that Christ will draw potential extremists to Himself.
- **DRC** – Attacks continue to intensify in eastern DRC, with Christians amongst those killed and displaced in recent attacks. "Pray for the faith of Christians," asks a local church leader. "Truly, let us pray for our faith."

## 19-25 July

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

- Pray for the Lord to enlighten the hearts of His people in Japan and that Chris and Kesia, and all the OMF team, may be eager and equipped to share the gospel.
- Give thanks God has provided a wonderful couple to be the Pains' successors for when they finish their role in Japan, early next year.
- Give thanks that Carys has successfully been granted a place at Hebron school from August to study for her A levels, so she will be joining Megumi there. Pray for her as she says her

goodbyes to friends at her current school in Tokyo.

## 26 July – 1 August

Focus on: **Tearfund**

- Pray for Tearfund's partners and local support workers in incredibly difficult and dangerous places. Lift up those delivering food, cash assistance, protection and psychosocial care amid insecurity and suffering in areas in crisis.
- Lack of access to clean water puts lives at risk in communities around the world. Pray for Tearfund's teams providing water and sanitation facilities and encouraging the adoption of healthy hygiene behaviours.
- Pray for countries in southern Africa that are particularly at risk because of natural disasters and extreme weather. Climate change remains a threat, especially to those living in poverty.

## • 2-8 August

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

- Give thanks for the recent confirmation of 24 Wichi and Toba brothers by Bishops Crisanto and Mateo. Pray for the ministry of the bishops throughout the diocese.
- Pray that God will continue to reach women through the work of AMARE, the women's movement affiliated with Mothers' Union.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide CMS partners around the world, as they seek God for his direction in every aspect of their work. Pray for inspiration, opportunity and funding

## 9-15 August

Focus on: **Christian Aid**

- Pray for people affected by Ebola and other emergencies, for those who are ill, at risk, or living in areas where outbreaks are spreading.
- Pray for healthcare workers and Christian Aid partners, for protection, strength, and wisdom as they support communities and respond quickly to outbreaks.
- Pray for global action and long-term solutions; for strong international cooperation, development of treatments, and lasting improvements to health systems.