

Friday January 17th

BMS' work in 'transit' contexts offers humanitarian, relational and spiritual support to displaced people living in temporary refugee camps. Pray for BMS partner Shepherd Society, which sends teams to support Syrian and Iraqi refugees temporarily living in Jordan.

Pray for Stephen & Felicia Shirto

Saturday January 18th

Pray for BMS partner All4Aid, whose work on the Greek island of Lesbos supports displaced people living in transit camps. Pray for the resilience of partner staff who offer practical and emotional support. Pray for Peter & Brenda Simpson

Sunday January 19th

Lord of freedom, please empower those who speak up on behalf of the voiceless by writing to promote justice and truth: through journalism, stories, poetry and songs, radio, television and film, online platforms and individual letters. May they look to You for inspiration for Christ's sake. Amen.

Pray for Andy & Leanda Theedom & family

Monday January 20th

Christians in the Buddhist-majority nation of Bhutan are not allowed to meet publicly for worship. Churches are not officially recognised by the government – they cannot own property or conduct outreach activities – and evangelism is illegal. Despite this, Christians can usually worship in private without fear of being arrested by the authorities or attacked by extremists. Ask that the Lord will continue to be an ever-present help (Psalm 46:1) to His people in Bhutan

Pray for David & Joy Thorburn & family

Tuesday January 21st

Our Father in heaven, we pray that you will watch over Your children in Eritrea, and particularly those who have been imprisoned for their faith in Your Son Jesus Christ. Only You, God, know how many Christians suffer in prisons there, and we cannot imagine the turmoil they are going through. Please remain close to them, granting them strength, patience and hope until they are released, because we ask it in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Pray for Sue Tibbles & family

Wednesday January 1st**NEW YEAR'S DAY**

Heavenly Father, as a new year begins, please grant us the mercy and grace that we need for every single day. We cannot live without You – so give us an increasing desire to know You more that we may fulfil Your purposes in and through our lives. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Pray for Flossie Hollis & Lesley Lamb

Thursday January 2nd

Nepal remains the least developed and one of the poorest countries in Asia. Tearfund has been working in Nepal since the 1970s and is currently partnering with seven organisations across the country. Lift up the people of Nepal in prayer.

Pray for Peter & Mary Jones

Friday January 3rd

Please pray for lasting peace in Syria as they respond to the developing situation. Pray for justice, peace and harmony among all citizens.

Pray for Dan Magovern & Keith Mead

Saturday January 4th

Lord, we pray for transparency and truth and for world leaders to turn their pledges to reduce harmful emissions into real action, working together for the sake of future generations and protecting those most vulnerable to the effects of global temperature rises. By Your grace. Amen.

Pray for John & Val McKie

Sunday January 5th

Many Turks who come to the UK as Christians have very shaky theological backgrounds. Although believers may no longer follow false teachings, deep rooted misconceptions means they are often unable to sustain themselves and may be very dependent on external workers. Pray for God to secure their hearts.

Pray for Stu Morris & Richard Opio

Monday January 6th

Events in the Middle East impact people in many countries. Uphold Iranians seeking asylum in Europe, UK and elsewhere, and churches and groups welcoming and supporting them. Pray for displaced Syrians reviewing their situation and wondering about returning.

Pray for Bob & Gill Nichols

Tuesday January 7th

Pray for the nation and people of Rwanda. Emmanuel Murangira, Tearfund's Rwanda Country Director, says, "There is a difference between a nation that has peace and one that is thriving." Give thanks for the peace. Pray too for the many who aren't thriving, those still caught in cycles of poverty.

Pray for Derek & Jenny Palmer

Wednesday January 8th

Please pray for the Open The Book team as they start the new year's storytelling. Today's story is "The Wise Men's Story" and next week they return to Old Testament stories starting with "Samuel the King Maker".

Pray for John & Jenny Palmer

Thursday January 9th

Please continue to pray for the Middle East and all its people, regardless of their religion, nationality or ethnicity. The brutal conflict that has been waged across the region for more than a year has devastated millions of lives and now poses a serious threat to global peace.

Pray for Kerry Pearson & family

Friday January 10th

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the proclamation of Your Word throughout the world. We rejoice that there are now Christians in every nation on earth. We pray that the Church will be strengthened especially in lands where the hostility is greatest. May this new year witness a rich gathering of harvest as many put their trust in You and grow in faith, for we ask in the glorious Name of Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 4:13) Pray for Brian & Barbara Rainbow

Saturday January 11th

Gracious Redeemer, please lead anyone living with an addiction to find support to turn from it and identify the underlying causes; through recovery groups, counselling, medical and psychiatric care, family and friends. Above all, may they cry out to You for mercy and healing. For Christ's sake. Amen.

Pray for Doreen Rose & Pauline Sprason

Sunday January 12th

Dear Lord, we ask You to intervene in the lives of young people who are being drawn into habits that may become harmfully addictive, both online and through relationships, activities and addictions that will sap their energy and put them at risk. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Pray for Karen Rossiter & family

Monday January 13th

Spreading the gospel in both Belgium and France is hard going. The OM team in Belgium uses a skilfully prepared mobile art exhibition to capture the attention and provoke thought and conversation. France mission has used a similar church-based project since 2007, using a complementary booklet for visitors to take and explore further. Pray for success in both countries.

Pray for Alan & Yvonne Rowland

Tuesday January 14th

Extreme poverty impacts every aspect of a person's life, devastating families, destroying local businesses and draining communities of their resources. This overwhelming reality is not God's plan for our world. Pray that through Tearfund's Transforming Communities work with the local church, churches can empower their communities to recognise challenges and release people's God-given potential to overcome them.

Pray for Henning Schmitt & family

Wednesday January 15th

Pray that Christians in Laos facing surveillance will be given wisdom and courage. Pray also that God will comfort and provide for believers who have been expelled from their communities and for the protection and flourishing of churches.

Pray for Robin & Mary Sealey

Thursday January 16th

International experts have noted an "alarming increase" in flogging and other forms of corporal punishment enacted by Afghanistan's Taliban government. Pray that the Lord will be a hiding place for His people who are surrounded by those who want to destroy them. (Psalm 118:8-9)

Pray for Lucy Shellam & family

If you would like people to pray for you contact Gill Wyatt on
t: 07976481355

Items for next month's prayer diary to Yvonne or Alan Rowland on
t: 01242 233419

The people included in the "Pray for" part of the prayers have been taken
from the latest church directory.

If you are not included in the church directory but would like to be included
in future please let Yvonne or Alan know.

Wednesday January 22nd

Today the Open The Book team present the story "The Two Kings" (Saul and David) and next week (David and Jonathan). Pray that the story will help the schoolchildren to realise the value of keeping promises and looking after our friends.

Pray for John Twining & Sylvia Walpole-Brown

Thursday January 23rd

Pray for ongoing work to rebuild and restore Lebanon, particularly for the healing of sectarian divides that have deepened over the past year. May doors closed during conflict reopen for us to cross barriers into least-reached communities.

Pray for Chris & Yvette Willett

Friday January 24th

Pray for wisdom, faithfulness and strong leadership for the Baptist Convention of Mozambique and their current Board. Pray that Baptist pastors throughout the country will encourage their congregation to grow in love and maturity.

Pray for Simon Woodley & Adrian Young

Saturday January 25th

Tearfund are passionate about the church and believe it is the church that God has called and ordained to bring his good news. Around the world, the church is doing great things, supporting members of their community and helping bring change. This week let's pray for more churches to join our Transforming Communities programmes.

Pray for Barrie & Gill Wyatt

Sunday January 26th

Poland's 0.3% evangelical population is making an impact on the community far beyond its size. Pray for this to spread further and for the thousands of towns and villages that still have no evangelical presence.

Pray for Colin & Anne Yeneralski

Monday January 27th

Pray for Samaritan's Purse medical staff in Columbia as they care for immigrants who are struggling to start over in a new country. Pray for opportunities to share the Gospel. Pray also for the team in Haiti during ongoing conflict in their country.

Pray for Paul & Pam Adams

Tuesday January 28th

Pray for children who are living on the frontlines of conflict areas in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Pray that the Hope and Light Project will continue to provide a safe space for boys and girls and give them opportunities to hear about God's love.

Pray for Steve & Anne Austin

Wednesday January 29th

Ten people were killed in a volcanic eruption on Flores Island, a Christian-majority region of Indonesia, in November 2024. More than 10,000 people were affected by the disaster and Indonesian authorities advised more than 2,600 families living in the area to relocate. Please pray for the bereaved and for the injured. Ask that the Lord will provide the means for those who need to move away from the danger and find a new place to live.

Pray for Colin & Anne Ayrton

Thursday January 30th

Pray for an end to the violence in northern Mozambique. Praise God for the many peaceable Muslims who refuse to join the militants, and pray that the men of violence will learn the same attitude. Ask that Christians will be a beacon of hope, peace, joy and love in the midst of this appalling brutality. Pray for God's comfort and healing for all the bereaved and traumatised.

Pray for Rosemary Bayliss & Anne Berry

Friday January 31st

Pray for opportunities for Christians in Morocco to share their faith and that converts will be empowered to stand strong.

Pray for Ian & Sarah Chad & family



Charlton Kings
Baptist Church

Prayer Diary

January 2025

Be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

1 Corinthians 10:12-13 (NIV)
