

Central Asia & Cambridge: David & Ruth Lewis

David teaches on cross-cultural evangelism to Christians in Central Asia and other countries, and researches on mission movements. Ruth teaches English to Asian students in the UK.

While teaching in Asia, David has often been meeting over meals with former students and others, who are becoming more confident about discussing with him about personal issues in their lives. Please pray that they would come to know Jesus as their friend too. (See John 15:15.)

Ruth has had similar opportunities in Cambridge with overseas students, many of whom are soon to return to their home country and families. We give thanks that many seeds of God's truth have been planted in their lives over the last several months. May God bring these seeds to fruition in the remaining weeks of classes and social contact as well as in the more distant future.

We both expect to be involved in teaching English to international high school and university students visiting Cambridge for summer camps over a four-week period from the last week of July. Please pray for energy to cope with what is likely to be an intense programme and for positive relationships and opportunities to introduce God's truth in appropriate and sensitive ways.



Prayer for Mission



Every 3rd Sunday of each month,
during the evening service,
there will be a time to pray
for our Mission Partners

The next Prayer for our Mission Partners
is on Sunday 21 July at 6.30pm

when we hope that
Boureima and Susanna Diallo
will be able to join us.



Come, pray and be encouraged
by news of what God is doing
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TBC Global

Pastoral Care @ 

July & August 2024

TBC Global is the monthly prayer news sheet from the Beyond TN10 Group.

Look inside for news and prayer points from our Mission Partners, including our newest Mission Partner, working both overseas and in the UK, sharing God's love and truth.



Fulani Ministries, Burkina Faso: Boureima & Susanna Diallo and their family

Based at the Jam Tan Centre, they train Fulani Christians in discipleship, church planting and practical skills and provide education and healthcare for the local community.

Give thanks:

In mid June we hosted, in partnership with Beyond Translation, a Translation Consultation, which brought together 71 delegates from 16 African countries to discuss translation and Bible poverty. We thank God that everything went smoothly.

The network meeting which brought together around 75 pastors from around the region at the end of May was an encouraging time of discussion on collaboration and of fellowship. We thank God for His leading in this. Pray for continued collaboration in the region in order to reach many more for Christ.



www.fulaniministries.org

Please pray:

There is a Community Health Day planned for this coming Saturday, June 29.

For displaced church planters and their families. Pray for their safety, for God to provide a place for them to resettle and minister, for God to heal the wounds of trauma. Pray for us for wisdom as we seek to meet their various needs.

Boureima will be visiting the UK during July and early August. Pray for a restful visit and good family time.

Ebbsfleet Baptist Church: Penny Marsh

Penny leads the recently founded Ebbsfleet Baptist Church; building relationships and sharing faith in innovative and ways, including 'Sunday Active' and coffee mornings.

Ebbsfleet Voice performed in the local park on 25 May – this is community choir that we are supporting (see photo). We were so encouraged with the turn out for the community picnic – probably helped by the sunny weather (a miracle in itself!). The choir will be performing at the Ebbsfleet summer fair and one of the primary school's fairs over the summer.

We held another well-supported coffee shop craft day in the half term holidays. We enjoyed meeting families and had some worthwhile conversations.

Thank you for praying for our church away day on the 1 June. We had a great time together looking at 'What is church?' We had 16 adults and 9 children with us, and the children contributed to our sessions too, with their creative map of the area. Our reflections have given us something to consider and pray about as we look to the future.

Over the summer, we will be supporting some of the community fairs, the coffee morning will be meeting in the park during



August, and we will continue with our usual Sunday programme. On 17 August we are having a church outing to the coast.

No-one turned up for our Alpha course – but I am not too disappointed, as I wasn't sure this was the right thing for us now, and we continue to have one to one conversations with those on the fringes.

Give thanks:

For the great away day in June.

For the opportunities to reach out to the community through coffee morning in the park and other summer events.

A new treasurer – we have a new member who is willing to learn what is involved in this role, please pray for her and a smooth transition.

Please pray:

For an additional leader to join the leadership team – we need to grow this group.

For helpful conversations with those attending who don't yet know Jesus.

Thank you so much for your prayers – we pray you will have a blessed summer too!

www.ebbsfleetbaptistchurch.org.uk



**Prison Fellowship:
Chris Coverly**

Chris leads a team from TBC, who support Prison Chaplains in three local prisons, also helping to deliver the PF victim awareness course, "Sycamore Tree", in those prisons.

Give thanks:

For the Prison Fellowship Angel Tree initiative, which provides gifts to offenders children at Christmas time. It may seem strange to mention Christmas in mid summer, but there is a lot of organisation to be done to make Angel Tree happen, such as the identification of offenders whose children are eligible for gifts, together with fund raising, purchasing of presents, wrapping and distribution. Angel Tree will be officially launched on Friday 26 July.

Please pray:

26 June will be Peter Holloway's last working day as CEO of Prison Fellowship. We give thanks for all the amazing work that has been done under his leadership, and pray that God would continue to lead him in the exiting new season. As Peter steps aside into a time of rest, call upon God to bless Peter and his family.



www.prisonfellowship.org

**Mission Rwentobo, Uganda:
Hope Community Clinic**

TBC teams have built, established and support Hope Community Healthcare Clinic in Rwentobo.

Give thanks

For the 5 year celebrations for the Clinic which were enjoyed by representatives from Kisiizi Hospital, World Shine Ministries and the Hope Community Clinic team.

That the visitors were very impressed with the standard of renovations to the clinic.

Nurse Sharon was awarded Employee of the Year for her compassionate care.

Please pray:

For Nurse Sharon who will be starting her diploma course to upgrade to diploma level from July. Please pray that she will cope with the part-time course plus working at the clinic and that the rest of the team can cover for her when she is studying.



There is also a need for support for Abel, the lab technician, as more tests are being required now that the clinic has a CBC machine and this will increase when full maternity care is in place.

For wisdom and provision for the next phase of development towards providing full maternity services. A placenta pit and an incinerator are still required.

Reliable electricity when the solar panels are not effective due to rain or darkness is a priority as there are no effective batteries to store the solar power. Please pray for a wise solution to this problem which is affordable.

www.missionrwentobo.org



Wycliffe Bible Translators, Nigeria : Philip and Suzie Burgess

Philip and Suzie are serving with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Nigeria, involved in enabling the local language to be written for the first time and Bible translation work.

Give thanks:

For a good time of learning and working in Jos.

For the Yive people working hard with us.

That we continue to grow in our understanding of the Iyive language.

For the faithfulness of the Mbudum translation team.

Please pray:

For perseverance for the Mbudum translation team as they continue with consistency checks on the New Testament.

For opportunities to continue going to the camp in rainy season and safety on the wet slippery dirt roads.

For good crop harvests for the Yive community.

That we won't catch malaria – rainy season brings more mosquitoes.

That we have a good refreshing time on our holiday in August.



www.wycliffe.org.uk

Oasis Belgium: Phil and Rachel Lane and their family

Releasing women from exploitation and domestic violence and to find employment; providing community and offering digital skills training to isolated elderly people.

Give thanks:

For the strong relationship now with the Thai Embassy who are even holding a fundraising meeting for us!

That this year we have helped 50 women who have suffered serious violence.

That the Buurtbar outreach to isolated elderly people is going well and it has stopped raining at last!

Please pray:

For a 5-year-old girl who has been abandoned by her Thai mother and taken back to Belgium by her father. They are both involved with criminality. As a baby, she was living with her parents in a brothel. We are working with social services to try to ensure her safety.

For a Brazilian woman who is waiting for a court decision to remove her abusive husband from the house. She is afraid to move out first and so she is still living with him. Please pray that she and her child will stay safe and that the court will make a decision this week.

Please continue to pray for Oasis' finances, although we have had some fundraising success recently, things are still quite tight.



www.oasisbe.org

Tek Ura, Albania: Dan & Annie Dupree and their family

Annie and Dan lead 'Tek Ura' working with the poor and marginalised in Tirana and Durrës. The community centres provide healthcare, education, welfare support and Christian faith communities.

What does it mean for everyone to be included? - One of the questions guiding us throughout our recent week-long summer camp in Durrës. Inclusion presents challenges, but also brings immense joy and growth for all involved. Our commitment to the principle of 'belong before you believe' was central to this camp, where we also welcomed children with autistic needs, including a special child, 'N', who thrived with our one-to-one support.

Reflecting on the camp, for many, the highlight was simply the sense of community: "when we all share and do things together." The week's theme of peace-making led us to ask important questions: are we prepared to commit to staying and loving our community? Are we willing to commit to loving and working on relationships? Can we discard useless stereotypes and build a flourishing community together with God?

It was a real blessing to see more than 100 smiling faces singing, dancing, painting, praising, doing all-ability sports and water games, eating, drinking, making sand castles on the beach and making

really positive community memories together. It's amazing to think that our centre in Durrës is still only in the second year and we can celebrate such growth.

Give thanks:

So much to be grateful for this year at our Durrës Camp with over 100 people participating.

Please pray:

For guidance and wisdom for our team and volunteers as they work to meet the unique needs of each child.

For the provision of necessary resources, including funding, specialists, and training opportunities, to enhance our support for these children and especially those like 'N'.

For strength and patience for the parents and carers of children, that they may feel supported and hopeful for their children's future.

That our community continues to grow in understanding, acceptance, and love, reflecting the inclusive nature of God's kingdom.

Please also pray for Dan & Annie and their family as they return to the UK for a period and for the Team in Albania.



www.tekura.org

