# Healing & Comfort

Please pray for the following members and friends of our church family, who have long term health needs.

- Angela Miles (recovering from operation on broken foot).
- John & Sally Payne's son-inlaw, Mike, (stage 4 cancer).
- · Jean Cannon.
- · Joan Jones.
- · Sue Hallett.
- Marie Merrick.
- John and his daughter (recent reconciliation).
- Angela DeFraine, (receiving treatment for cancer).
- Phil Down, (ongoing treatment for cancer).
- Vanessa Burke, (cancer).
- Doreen and Michael (friends of Angela Symonds).
- Jasmine Coe (Joan Jones' great-granddaughter, who is very poorly).
- Baby twins Etori and Ariana and their family (friends of Simon and Sally Lewis)
- Sue Hallett (Knee surgery).
- Mickey Flight (knee surgery).
- · Stephanie Ruse.

## World Events

Use the news as a source of prayer pointers. Pray for:

- The survivors, the bereaved and the aid agencies in the wake of the Indonesian tsunami.
- The cessation of violence between Israel and the people living in Gaza.
- Give thanks that the Sudanese government has returned ownership of 19 properties to the Sudanese Church of Christ (SCOC), two years after it confiscated them – praise God!
- A reversal of the rise of extreme and racist political groups across Europe.
- Restraint on behalf of Iran as it responds to recent terror attacks.

#### Renewal

And Elisha prayed, "Open his eyes, Lord, so that he may see." Then the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. (2 Kings 6:17)

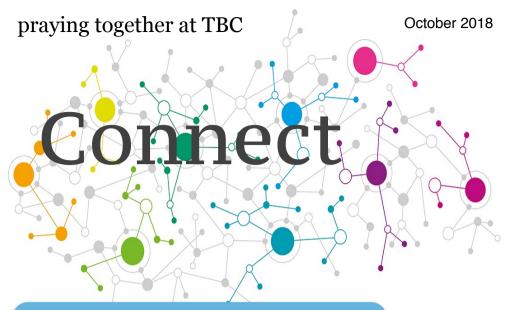
What a great thing, to become aware of God's presence and power, right where we are.

## Pray Elisha's prayer for:

- Yourself.
- Your close friends and family.
- The leaders of the church.

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## TBC's Frontline Missionaries - Engineers

My name is Simon Lewis and with my wife, Sally, I have been attending TBC since 2007. I am very involved in TBC, overseeing the administrative and financial aspects of our life together. I spend my working life as a systems engineer for Jacobs Engineering. My work involves applying my engineering knowledge to designing and managing complex systems over their life cycles. I'm involved in projects such the construction of large aircraft, nuclear power stations and large defence projects. Specifically, my role involves managing specialist engineering teams located around the country, preparing business cases and delivering projects. As a follower of Jesus in my workplace, I try to be extremely conscientious and hardworking for my employer, whilst also dealing justly and with integrity with my colleagues and work teams. I do sometimes have opportunity to talk about faith in my work place, and have enjoyed discovering other team members who are also

## Prayer Points for Engineers:

Christians.

- That in all of the complexity and performance -targets, we retain our integrity as Christians.
- For opportunities to talk about Jesus in the workplace
- For wisdom in maintaining a healthy work-life balance.
- Pray for Simon in particular in his important role as Admin & Finance Team Leader here at TBC.

# **Community Mission**

The Mission Focus Group oversees TBC's relationships with our various mission partners. They raise prayer support, oversee our giving to mission and ensure those going on mission trips from TBC are well-supported, before and after their travels. They also compile some of the information in this "Connect" leaflet to encourage the wider church in their prayer life.

If you are planning a mission trip of any sort, or are involved in an outreach project or charity locally – do let the MFG know! While Paul is on sabbatical the main contact for the MFG is Ed Stuart (edwardstuart@blueyonder.co.uk).

## Please pray for:

- the MFG members as they do this important work. (Current members are Ed Stuart, Melanie Fraser, Nicky Phipps and Helen Harrison).
- · new people to join the group.

All of our mission partners are listed under the 'mission' tab on our church website, so do search there for more information. Many also have their own websites, and you will find those links in their listing on the church website.

### Local & UK Mission

The StreetSpace initiative has supported some of the children in the area who are most of the fringes of the community and sought to empower them to make positive changes in their lives and their communities. After being Community Youth Worker for seven years I (Dan Potter) have felt that it's the right time to move on. My highlights have been the initiation and growth of the annual Skate Fest, the joy of almost one thousand mentoring sessions I've run shared with volunteers whom I trained, and seeing young people from Attic Café meeting with God for the first time through Youth Alpha and weekends away. It has been a privilege to serve in this way and I am so grateful for your encouragement and prayers!

#### For prayer:

- Our family whilst we stay at TBC and excitedly discern what's next!
- Success with the REKRE8 skate park project, aiming to support young people to build a youth café hub and redevelop the park
- Organisations in the town which continue to particularly care for young people: schools' pastoral staff, Krunch youth project, and other in the Phase network
- Whether you can volunteer to support the youth work in the church in some way

#### Mission Partners

Mark, Tammy, Bethany and David
Baker were sent out from TBC to
Sabah, North Borneo in 1999 to repioneer the work of YWAM there. In
line with YWAM's vision 'to Know
God and Make Him Known' they
have worked with children, youth
and adults, in discipleship,
evangelism, providing primary
healthcare, community development,
English classes, to name but a few.

19 years later they have all returned for a 10-month sabbatical to seek the Lord for their next step. Mark and Tammy are asking whether they should continue with YWAM, in North Borneo, serving, training and sharing their faith as before or if God is leading them in another direction. Bethany is making decisions about work, and in which country, having recently graduated with a degree in Animation, whilst David is making choices about further studies after

## Pray for Guidance and Faith for:

secondary school.

- each member of the family both for their time here in the UK as well as God's future plans for them.
- their Staff team who are running the work in YWAM Sabah in their absence.

### Children & Youth

#### Please pray for:

- The first ever Regional Youth Celebration for school year 9 to age 19 to be held at TBC on 7 October
- A clear vision for the future of Children and Youth Ministry following Dan's departure at the end of October
- Dan, and Kayte, as Dan waits on God for a new opportunity
- More people to volunteer for Children and Youth Ministry in TBC

## Talking of Jesus

#### Pray for:

- God-given opportunities to speak about Jesus in your daily life.
- Sensitivity to the Spirit, so that you only say what he gives you to say.
- · Courage to speak out.

## Continue to pray for:

- Individuals that you meet regularly on your frontline.
- Guests coming to the Jonathan Veira event on October 19th. Pray that some seeds of the Good News might fall into good soil!
- The Holy Sopirit to be at work in the many people who enter TBC's building across the week, but who do not yet know Jesus.