

Healing & Comfort

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

- Lorraine's friend, Jane (serious fall)
- Nick and Dorothy Wagstaff's great-nephew, Ben (15) (leukaemia).
- David Chatt, (cancer)
- Ruth Collett (cancer).
- Ruth Collett's grandson (pneumonia and fractured rib).
- Bella (aged 12) (cancer).
- Angela Miles (recovering from foot operation)
- Stephanie Ruse (recovering from brain surgery).
- John Calder.
- Mickey Flight (recovering from knee op).
- Sue Hallett (knee operation).
- John & Sally Payne's son-in-law, Mike (cancer).
- Jean Cannon.
- Marie Merrick.
- Vanessa Burke (cancer).
- John and his daughter.
- Doreen & Michael, friends of Angela Symonds.
- Wendy Titterton

World Events

Use the daily news as a resource for prayer. Pray particularly this month for:

- The outcome of **India's** general election. Christians have been increasingly persecuted under the previous regime of Narendra Modi. Pray for a peaceful and just government to develop in the world's largest democracy.
- 141 Christians in Eritrea who were arrested by security agents on 10 May in **Eritrea's** capital city Asmara. The 104 women, 23 men and 14 minors were rounded up from the Mai Temenai area of the city.
- Pray that the vital aid that is being obstructed by rebel groups gets through to the people of **Yemen**.

Renewal

This month we celebrate the day on which the Holy Spirit was poured out on the first church, in Jerusalem (*Pentecost Sunday is June 9th*). The Holy Spirit loosened their tongues, unlocked their finances, opened their hearts to one another and deepened their sense of Jesus' presence (read about it in Acts 2).

Please pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on individual lives, on TBC, and on the Church in the UK this Pentecost.

praying together at TBC

June 2019



TBC's Frontline Missionaries - Practical Workers

My name is Jason and I moved to Thornbury about three years ago from Henbury with my family, Becki, Gracie and Josi. We've been coming to TBC for about two and a half years and I have been a Christian for 25 years or so. I am a handyman by trade and through my work I meet a lot of different people. This has provided many opportunities to share the gospel with the people I have met along the way. I see my work as a way of serving God, not just making a living.



Please pray:

- For more regular work and opportunities to continue sharing the good news with customers.
- For physical strength and safety.
- For me and my family to grow and deepen our faith in God.
- For the creation of strong relationships with other tradesmen.

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following the way of



loving God, one another
and the world

Community Mission

Most Sunday mornings there comes a point in the service when about 30% of people get up from their chairs and walk out of the main hall only to be seen again when Coffee and Tea are served. The good news is that this is not a mass walk-out by the aggrieved but it is a whole bunch of young people and their team going to their groups (Creche, Bubbles, Splash, Ignite and Impact) to encounter God with their friends. This visible reminder week by week makes us grateful that God has gifted us so many young people and families as we seek to follow the way of Jesus by loving God, loving others and loving the world. Please include the following in your prayers:

Prayer Points:

- Give thanks for each young person and their family.
- Pray for Mums and Dads and carers as they seek to grow faith in their children at home.
- Pray for those who work with our Sunday Morning Groups, thank them for their service and inspire them.
- Pray that each young person will encounter Jesus in a life changing way.

Local & UK Mission

Thornbury Foodbank has been running for six years and the need for our services continues unabated. The reasons for people coming to us are many, including sudden illness, relationship breakdown, homelessness and benefit issues.

To function we rely on a loyal group of volunteers from local churches and the community at large, and the generous donations we receive from many sources.

Prayer Points:

- Pray that the Lord lifts from those that come to us the shame and embarrassment which they may feel on coming in to the Foodbank.
- Pray that we continue to provide a safe and welcoming environment.
- Pray that our community partners identify those in need and refer them to us, so that no-one is missed.
- Praise God for the continued support of the community.
- Pray that new volunteers will be found if needed, and that the people of the town and around remain alert for those who may benefit from our help.

World Mission

CRED Foundation is a small Christian UK-based charity that supports fourteen Partner organisations in nine developing countries. Helen Harrison is the Operations Manager and oversees the Partner Support side of things, which periodically involves travelling out to various of the Partners to deliver a range of training and support. The Partners are indigenous, grass-roots organisations, that serve their local communities in a variety of ways.

Please pray for:

- CRED Partners,- may God provide them with vision, wisdom and the resources required to carry out their programmes in ways that raise up God's name in the community.
- CRED Trustees, providing oversight and guidance regarding the future direction of CRED – may they know God's guiding hand in the decisions that they make.
- For wisdom and sensitivity for Helen, when liaising with the partners and the various challenges that they face.
- For the various opportunities to raise awareness with CRED supporters about the work of the Partners – may those opportunities be well-used, and productive in many ways.

Children & Youth

Pray for:

- Preparations for the summer holiday clubs that will take place in the church building and on Streamleaze on 29th, 30th and 31st July.
- Those in Basement who have engaged so enthusiastically with Youth Alpha, that they will come to faith.
- Those in school year 6 as they come to the end of their time in Primary School, that they would transition well to Secondary school.

Talking of Jesus

The opportunity to talk with friends about Jesus is often the result of having intrigued them in some way by aspects of our lifestyle. These unexpected things open the door to a conversation. How about trying to open the door this month by:

- performing an act of unexpected kindness or generosity.
- admitting to going to church!
- offering to pray about a need that someone expresses.
- quickly offering forgiveness when wronged.

Pray for:

- The opportunity to show God's love in a way that opens up a conversation about Jesus.
- The courage to take that opportunity when it comes!