



TBC's Frontline Missionaries

My name's John Hucker. I'm a builder and it's good to be able to say that I really enjoy my working life.

We are a small company building extensions and individual new-build homes. With a regular team of ten and other tradesmen involved we make up about 30 guys.

In the building industry I find people are freer to be who they are and talk openly because of the informal atmosphere. This means I can explain that God is the reason behind the way I deal with people and situations. I try to promote honesty and integrity that reflects my faith.



Generally when praying for Builders, pray that:

Men will be freed up to be open about their problems in what might seem a very macho industry.

Pray for opportunities for the message of God to reach more men, as especially the younger guys I meet have no concept of God at all.

Also, with the possibility of further financial difficulties coming, pray for the industry in general as it is very often hardest hit.

Community Mission

Lunch Club is back after a two year break.

Have you ever felt lonely: longed for someone to talk to, share a meal with, or make new friends? As we get older these things can become more difficult, so why not get in touch and come along to Lunch Club, it's open to all over 70s in the Thornbury - Alveston area, so why not phone & book in? We share a meal and then have a guest speaker for 30 minutes.

Recently we've had singalongs, gardening tips, armchair exercise and heard about charity work abroad.

Please pray for:

- To reach those who are in need & make them feel welcome.
- For safety in travelling for all our guests & thanks for the community transports guests use.
- For volunteers to join our team either weekly or monthly.
- That the team will show the love of Jesus to all our guests.



Local & UK Mission

LZ7 are an English Christian electronic dance music group from Manchester. They use their music as a universal language to connect millions of young people to Jesus.

Front man Lindz West is an unashamed evangelist who communicates the great news of Jesus in such a way that LZ7 are seeing an unprecedented response to the Gospel at the school weeks. These are a main part of what they do, in not just UK schools, but much of Europe and even Australasia. These include workshops, lessons, gigs, most of which are followed by an end of week gig.

They are getting messages from young people from all over the place that are hurting and are giving their lives to Jesus.

They also perform all over Europe including in Christian festivals like Big Church Day Out.

Linz is thankful for all our support and asks that we pray that God will continue to use him to take the life changing message of Jesus to young people through music.



World Mission

CRED Foundation is a UK-based Christian charity that works to help people in developing countries suffering from economic, social or environmental hardship. CRED partners with, and supports, carefully selected organisations who run projects designed to alleviate deprivation of this kind.

TBC gives monthly support to Spurgeons Childcare Kenya, which is led by Program Manager and Church Leader, Kenyanito Dudi.

Please pray for:

- For wisdom and discernment for Helen and the CRED trustees as they seek to advocate for, and provide financial, prayerful, and practical support to the CRED partners.
- For Kenyanito and the Spurgeons team: that they will have the resources needed to care for the 400+ orphans and vulnerable children in their programmes, including enough food for the feeding programme.
- For Janaki and the FIAM team in India as they come under increasing persecution by the Hindu-majority government.
- For all the CRED partners as they work to support the varied beneficiaries of their programmes.

Families @ TBC

Thornbury has a growing community of Ukrainians and TBC is part of a great support network for them and their hosts. There is a lot happening behind the scenes to support both guests and hosts and a wonderful community spirit has become evident! However, there is a lot to pray for as it is not always easy for either hosts or guests as you can imagine!

Please pray for:

- Guests to settle quickly and know peace here and a warm welcome.
- Relationships to grow and wisdom to deal with issues that arise.
- Comfort for the Ukrainians as they deal with the trauma of what is happening back home.
- Stamina for the guests as they work hard and look after children, many as mothers on their own.
- For safety for partners and relatives left behind.
- Safe journey for those still on their way.
- For protection of hosts and their relationships as they adjust to having guests in their home.
- Opportunities to show and share God's love and His care for them.

Healing & Comfort

Please pray for:

- All those affected by the war in Ukraine.
- All those known to us who are unwell with Covid.
- All those families who have arrived here from the Ukraine as well as the hosts who will support them.
- The family of Angela De Fraine.
- The family of Sally Quilter.
- John Harris who has cancer and is very poorly.
- Dawn, Carol Connolly's sister.
- Cher, now at home on dialysis.
- David Phipps.
- Ruth Collett.
- Wendy Titterton.
- Gloria Hammond.

Please note that this prayer list, and any other prayer needs mentioned in Connect are for sharing within this church fellowship. Details of the people mentioned must not be circulated or republished on social media.

If you are concerned about someone who needs care or support, contact Paul Ferguson -
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World Events

We pray for all of those around the world suffering through natural disasters; the flooding in India and Bangladesh, the earthquake in Afghanistan and more around the globe.

Continue to pray about the situation in Ukraine.

Please pray for:

- Success in negotiations and an end to hostilities.
- Those who are seeking sanctuary in Thornbury and those who are hosting them.
- Those working for and with refugees - including our mission partners TEN and Mircea and Ronela.

Renewal

**Oh, that we might know the Lord!
Let us press on to know him.
He will respond to us as surely
as the arrival of dawn
or the coming of rains in
early spring." (Hosea 6:3)**

Do you know anyone who has 'lost their spark' during the years of Covid disruption? Pray for them this month. Ask that they will experience a 'new dawn' in their awareness of God, and that they will enjoy the refreshing of the 'spring rains' of God's Spirit. Why not contact them and let them know you are praying for them?

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and the world

