

TBC's Frontline Missionaries – Agriculture, construction, manual

I'm Jason and I have been part of Thornbury Baptist Church for the past 5 to 6 years. I have made a lot of friends over the years and would not be where I am today if it wasn't for the love and support the church family has shown. I am married to Becki, and have two stepchildren; Grace, 19, and Josiah, 17. I was born and red in Southmead and came to faith in my twenties.

I have worked in the trades for most of my working life. I am currently developing a handyman business with the prospect of



creating work opportunities for others. The work I do gives plenty of scope to interact with others, particularly men from different backgrounds. I find a lot of guys hold a very stereotypical understanding of the church as archaic and unrelated to the real world. Handymans work, therefore, allows sharing faith in a context familiar to those in the trade who may never even enter a church building , let alone hear the Christian message.

# **Prayer Points:**

- For those in the trade, more work to come in especially local.
- Wisdom to grow the handyman business.
- The right opportunities to share faith with others, both men and customers.

#### TBC Mission Projects

We are running over Summer mission over two days: Oakleaze Green on Wednesday 26th July, and Park farm on Thursday 27th July. We really hope to use this opportunity to connect with the community in the new estates and share the word and love of God.

#### Prayer points:

- Prayer for the preparations and planning, that we sense God speaking and leading us in what he wants to do over the 2 days.
- Pray for all the events within the week, that people from the community feel a sense of 'invitation' that reflects the kingdom of God. Pray that the events provide the opportunity for building relationships and for families to enjoy time together and have FUN. Pray that as we provide activities for everyone to take part in, we can demonstrate the love of God to our community.
- Pray for the continuing communications with those who oversee both Park Farm and Oakleaze, that we would see continued positive relationships building.
- Prayer for more people to join the team and fill some of the gaps needed across the 2 days.

Hey all, thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. Like Tesco's 'every little helps' and we could not do this without your prayers and giving! It means the world!

- LZ7 the band have been in many schools this last term with our ILLUMINATE schools tour. The last tour we had 400 turn up to Youth Alpha the following week! See picture! This continues to grow and go from strength to strength.
- We are embarking on a bike ride to raise some much needed funds. From Inverness to Brighton through every ILLUMINATE tour location we are doing the 10 10 10 challenge. 10 days, 10 cities, 100km bike ride per day, 10 gigs (1 per city). Please do help us by going to our just giving page here: https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/li ghtfundraiser
- So many great stories of salvation and here is just one: 'Monday night I was going to jump off the roller coaster of life, for some reason I didn't! You came into my school Tuesday. I came to your gig on Friday. I gave my life to Jesus that night. I came back the following Friday to start my journey with Jesus! Praise God hey!'

Thanks again TBC! You make the world of difference and send us to the hardest to reach young people! Much love, Lindz



#### World Mission Partners

**CRED** Foundation is a UK-based charity that supports 14 overseas partners, including Kenyanito Dudi in Kenya. The who predominantly are partners, Christian in ethos or explicitly, are mainly in Africa, plus two in Asia, and have a range of community-based foci to their work. We seek to raise awareness of the various works of the partners, access external financial support, and facilitate partnerships between UK individuals, churches, schools etc, and specific CRED partners. This includes prayer support and being a conduit for donations. Helen Harrison is the partner liaison manager for CRED.

### Prayers:

- For Kenyanito as he visits UK, that it will be a very fruitful visit with many new connections.
- For Janaki in India as they face increasing obstacles from the Hindumajority government to their work.
- For all the CRED partners as they continue to bring help, hope and transformation to the communities in which they are working, set against a background of increasing challenges linked to climate change, reduced food availability and increased food prices
- That God will provide the resources required at Spurgeons to complete the Science and computer labs
- That God will give Kenyanito peace regarding all the pastoral issues that are going on back home whilst he is over here.

#### Children @ TBC

Last weekend (24/06), a few of us took some of our kids away to a day conference to learn more about how we can help everyone engage in worship, from our youngest members to the oldest. It was called, quite appropriately, "Worship for Everyone". We had an amazing day worshipping God together with over 400 people from 130 different churches around the country. We were also able to attend a few of the seminars which were very helpful. We are hoping to be able to take what we have learned and apply it at TBC in our Worship Space, bringing young and old together as the family of God to worship Him and see Him move among us!

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity" Psalm 133:1

### Please pray for:

- More youth to feel encouraged to join in with worship and praise God with us
- For people to feel free to connect with God and worship him in whatever way they are able to



# Please pray for:

- All those affected by the war in Ukraine
- For those affected by the current turmoil in Sudan
- 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 Ashleys
- Graham Ogborne
- David Phipps
- Caroline Finney
- Dave Finney
- Ruth Collett
- Kevin Goodman
- Maria Grey
- Heather Woodward
- Micky and Roger Flight
- Baby Phoebe

**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 paul@thornburybaptistchurch.org.uk



# Please pray for:

- the ongoing conflict between Ukraine and Russia.
- those families and individuals struggling with the cost-of-living crisis.
- The crisis in Sudan
- The riots in Paris

### Renewal

Who satisfies your years with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle.

Psalm 103:5

Allow God's grace to fill your life this season as we celebrate what He gave us and what He provides us with daily. May this time with friends and family renew your souls and build stronger relationships in Christ.

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### World Events