



TBC's Frontline Missionaries – Students

My name is Jack and I go to Christ The King School. I am in year 3.

How do you show that you're a Christian at school?

I try to be kind and helpful to everyone.

Do you learn about God at school?

Yes, we do religious education and learn about God and Jesus.

What are you learning about in religious education?

At the moment we're learning about baptism and how you get baptised. It's interesting to learn about baptisms after I saw them in church the other day.

Do you talk to your friends about Jesus?

Sometimes we talk about Him during religious education. Not many of my friends are Christian.

Do you pray at school?

Yes, we pray a lot. 4 times a day sometimes 5.

What do you enjoy about being at church?

Learning about God at Roots and Branches. I like the worship music as well.

What should we pray for?

- For the teachers, for our one teacher who is ill that she'd get better and for our other teachers to get rest after school.
- For all of the kids in school with me that they'd be able to focus on school and do well and make lots of friends.
- For the church. I am happy that the church is growing.



TBC Mission Projects

GOOSE is an OFSTED regulated Out of School club run here at Thornbury Baptist Church, for Gillingstool Primary school. We started in October 2012.

We are here to support the families of children who attend Gillingstool school with their childcare needs around school times.

It's run by myself, Katherine Holmes, and my team and we work to provide a varied and entertaining program to the children who attend.

Please pray:

- that through our actions we will show God's love.
- for all the children and their families, including a Ukrainian family who have recently joined.
- for good health of staff and children.



Local/UK Partners – Beloved

The Willow Tree Pregnancy Crisis Centre offers impartial and confidential support to women and men in South Gloucestershire and Bristol facing unplanned pregnancy and after all types of pregnancy loss. We have a volunteer team of fifteen and support clients face-to-face, via Zoom or Teams and on the phone. All our services are free.

We aim to reflect the values of Christ by showing love and compassion, by respecting clients and taking our lead from them. We seek to express our Christian faith by serving others in this way.

Please give thanks for -

- our new Centre Director, Helen Adair, who began on 18th September.
- our committed volunteer team.

Please pray for:

- Helen Adair as she takes on the role and responsibilities of Centre Director
- successful recruitment of an Office Manager (please get in touch if you think this could be you!)
- the clients being supported by our volunteers and those on our waiting list as they wait for a first appointment.
- the finances we need to continue to provide our services.
- vision and wisdom as we think strategically about the growth and development of the services we offer.

Elam Ministries' mission is to strengthen and expand the church in the Iran region and beyond.

Currently, the Iranian church is one of the fastest growing in the world. Elam endeavours to support this expanding movement through leadership training, evangelism, church planting and Scripture distribution.

We would be grateful for your prayers for:

- Safety and wisdom for courageous Christians who are engaged in evangelism, discipleship, and church planting amongst Iranians and Afghans.
- Continued openness to the Gospel among Iranians and Afghans, as well as new strategies for mobilising more Persian-speaking Christians to participate in the work of evangelism and discipleship.
- The Lord to continue to raise up more Persian-speaking Christians with a clear call to full-time ministry in Iran and beyond.

As we welcome our children back after a fun filled summer, we are seeing new children attending our groups every week. It is amazing to see this kind of growth and we pray that our Sunday groups will keep growing, not only in number but closer to Jesus day by day. To kick off the term, Each group had a welcome back picnic. It was lovely for the team to get to know some of the families of the children we see every week!

A few items for prayer:

- As we grow in numbers, we are finding space to be quite an issue. Please pray that we can find a creative solution to this growing concern.
- As we welcome more children, we also need more team. Please pray that God will stir the hearts of people to come forward and help with the children's groups.



Healing & Comfort

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 affected by the natural disasters in Morocco, Libya, Greece, Hong Kong and Hawaii.
- All those families who have arrived here from the Ukraine as well as the hosts who will support them
- Baby Phoebe and recovery from her heart surgery, now recovering at home
- For the family of Cher
- The Ashleys
- Graham Ogborne
- David Phipps
- Caroline Finney
- Dave Finney, for recovery after surgery
- Ruth Collett
- Kevin Goodman
- Maria Grey
- Terry Ball, in hospital
- Micky and Roger Flight
- For Robert Macpherson, who was recovering from cancer but now been told it's back and terminal. Prayer for peace, strength and no pain would be appreciated
- Carol Connolly's mother who is at home recovering
- Please pray for our link church in Udvarhely, Romania as they mission to the children and youth of the town. A second mission for children in the nearby village of St Martin will take place in August.

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

Please pray for:

- the ongoing conflict between Ukraine and Russia.
- those families and individuals struggling with the cost-of-living crisis.
- those affected by the recent spate of natural disasters around the world.
- Our building work, as we move forward with plans to expand the building.

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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