

Monthly Prayer Bulletin

'The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.' Isaiah 9:2

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GIVE THANKS

Giving thanks for:

Join us in giving thanks for the time Sharan and Markus spent in Ethiopia recently meeting with programme partners from Ethiopia, Malawi and Tanzania to plan for the ongoing development of Self Help Group work. Details of Irish Aid Programme Funding grants for the next 5 years have been delayed. Please continue to pray for favour as the Tearfund Ireland application is evaluated.

Thank God for all the visas that have been granted to delegates to attend the Inspired Individuals Conference being hosted by Tearfund in Dublin this month. The delegates are inspired individuals working to bring transformation where they are across the world. Please pray that they will be encouraged, refreshed and blessed.

Thank God for our Connected Church partners in Cambodia and Uganda. Pray that more Irish churches and groups will want to partner with projects in this way.

WORLD NEWS

Please pray for:

Haiti - We give thanks for the generosity of individuals, groups and churches responding in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew in October. Please pray for those affected as they begin to rebuild their lives.

World Without Orphans - pray for Markus as he meets with others this month to discuss a global strategy for the World Without Orphans movement. (www.worldwithoutorphans.org)

When he was a young child, Jesus and his family sought refuge in Egypt, (Matthew 2:13-23). With more than 65 million people forcibly displaced worldwide, one in every 122 people is now either a refugee, internally displaced or seeking asylum. As we celebrate the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ with family and friends, many in the Middle East face another winter far from home. Pray that God will fill us with his compassion for the millions of refugees across the world this Christmas.

IRELAND

Please pray for:

AGM - Pray for the upcoming Tearfund Ireland AGM during the Inspired Individuals conference in early December. Pray that it will be an inspiring event for all involved.

Please pray for the success of Tearfund Ireland's first national campaign using print media. We hope that this will help us make new connections with people interested to support Tearfund Ireland and our partners as we work to bring practical help and spiritual hope to those living in poverty.

Thank God for the many individuals and groups who have organised fundraisers this autumn for Tearfund Ireland's work. Check out our Facebook page to see the group in Cork who recently organised a Christmas Craft Fair.

Please pray for the Tearfund Ireland team as they spend time with family and friends over Christmas and New Year. Pray that it will be a time of refreshment and blessing after the busy autumn season.

(Background image: Rift Valley, Ethiopia - Gavin Leane)