



Monthly
Prayer
Bulletin

'Lord, you have been our-place throughout all generations.

**Before the mountains were born
Or you brought forth the whole world,
From everlasting to everlasting you are God'
Psalm 90:1-2**

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GIVE THANKS

Giving thanks for:

Thank God for the visit of our partner Dandin Espina from the Philippines this month. His visit had to be postponed due to visa delays. Dandin was involved in Tearfund Ireland's response in the immediate aftermath of Typhoon Haiyan. Please pray for strength for Dandin as he visits churches and groups across Ireland.

Thank God for the youth leaders who will participate in Tearfund Ireland Development Education facilitation skills training this month. Please pray that they will be inspired and empowered to work with their youth groups for a more just and sustainable world.

Thank God for the 50 Inspired Individuals from more than 10 countries who gathered for a time of fellowship, refreshment and capacity building in Dublin in early December. Pray for them as they return to their work in challenging situations, that their time in Ireland will bear fruit.

WORLD NEWS

Please pray for:

Cambodia: Please pray for rain. The weather in Cambodia is getting more and more unpredictable and climate change is beginning to have a really big impact on the lives of the poorest people in the community. If Cambodia doesn't get the rain it needs now, it is likely that the summer will be even drier and more difficult than in 2016.

2016 has been a year of transition for Cambodia CHO and this will continue into 2017. Pray that God will give them wisdom, patience and peace as they work with local churches to bring change in their communities from the inside .

Yemen is a country in crisis due to a civil war. More than 18.8 million people urgently need humanitarian assistance – that's over three-quarters of the population. Pray and petition God for peace in Yemen, so that those who are suffering can receive the help they need.

IRELAND

Please pray for:

As we start a New Year, join us in giving thanks for all our dedicated volunteers. Volunteers are an essential, unique and invaluable part of Tearfund Ireland. Pray that more volunteers will come forward in 2017.

Last month we were disappointed to hear that we will not receive the level of Irish Aid funding we had hoped for at this time; however we have the opportunity to apply for funds for the establishment of further Self Help Groups in Ethiopia and for Development Education work in Ireland. Please pray for wisdom for the team as we prepare these applications.

Thank God for the resources that you have. Pray for those who are entering the New Year not knowing where the next meal will come from. Thank God for churches on the frontline facing and overcoming poverty and injustice. Ask God to strengthen and encourage them in 2017.

(Background image: Rev William Msaki, Pamoja facilitator explaining the value of Self Help Groups in Rift Valley Diocese, Tanzania—Tearfund Tanzania.)