

# Monthly Prayer Bulletin

July 2023

*“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”*

*~Romans 15:13*

## Give Thanks

Join us in giving thanks for the fun filled day at the Tearfund Ireland 5-a-Side Football Tournament in mid June. Congratulations to the cup winning team from Betania church!

Thank you for praying for our colleagues who travelled to Ethiopia in June. The visit was a real success with valuable time spent meeting with partners discussing project work.

The churches' survey being distributed through VOX exploring people's faith, participation in creation care and responses to justice issues has gone live. Please pray that it will reach many Christians across Ireland and people would be eager to assist, honest with their responses and that the survey would provide much beneficial information for us and for the wider Church. You can find the link to the survey [HERE](#). Please send it on to people you know!

We are also looking for people to participate in focus groups on climate justice and faith. If you would like to join one, please email Ella [HERE](#)

We are grateful for the support of the Irish Government for some of our work with our partners. Please pray for them as they consider the budget for 2024. Pray that they will continue to provide generously for overseas aid.

## World News

**Cambodia:** Our partners M'Lup Russey tell us “Children who turn into adults in RCIs (orphanages) and leave as young adults (Care Leavers) are one of the most vulnerable groups in society and are highly disadvantaged in comparison to their peers” Pray for the M'Lup Russey team as they come alongside care leavers to help them adjust to life in the community.

**Ethiopia:** The aftermath of an extended drought continues to affect more than 24 million people in Ethiopia, and it is estimated that over 10 million will need food assistance this year. Please pray that people impacted most by the drought will have their urgent needs met. Ask God to bless the training where people are learning new agricultural skills and build resilience in difficult times. Lift up Tearfund Ireland and our church partners as they support communities hit hardest by the effects of climate change.

**Refugees and displaced people:** Join us in praying for all those who have been forced to flee their homes because of conflict, lack of food or broken economies. Grant them safe passage to a place of welcome. We pray that global leaders will develop wise, just and creative solutions for the migrant and refugee crises around the world.

**CHS:** We have begun the assessment of our programme work using the CHS Alliance, Core Humanitarian Standards process. The aim is to learn from the results to improve our work and to serve people better. Please continue to pray for our partners, programme participants and team members as we undertake this comprehensive and detailed assessment.

## Ireland

Please pray for the Tearfund Ireland Board and staff as we make key decisions and prepare for an organisational strategic review.

We are looking forward to being at the New Wine Ireland family conference in Sligo from July 9th to 14th. Please pray that we will have opportunities to build connections with individuals and churches who want to join us in practical demonstrations of God's goodness, love and justice.

We value your continued prayer for Pedal Against Poverty throughout the summer and our stand at Kin-Fire Conference in Kilkenny in August. To find out how you can be involved please contact Amanda [HERE](#)

Please pray for the team as we prepare for the busy autumn season. If your church or small group would like to invite a Tearfund Ireland speaker, please contact Emma [HERE](#)

