

A background image showing a group of children, mostly of African descent, with their hands raised in prayer. The image is slightly blurred and has a warm, golden light. Overlaid on this image are several text boxes and circles in yellow and teal colors.

Monthly Prayer Bulletin

“Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.”
~Matthew 5:9

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GIVE THANKS

- Give thanks for the peacemakers of this world and the ways they work to resolve hatred and resentment. Ask God to bless all those in Lebanon and around the Middle East who are helping spread peace, reconciliation and healing among those whose lives have been shattered by war.
- Thank God for the more than 140 organisations including Tearfund Ireland that are endorsing key recommendations for family based care prepared for the 2019 UN General Assembly Resolution on the Rights of the Child. Please pray that more children will grow up in families as a result of this action.
- Thank God for our partners in Cambodia who work to keep children in families and also to promote church and community mobilisation. Please pray for Katie from the Tearfund Ireland team as she visits Cambodian partner projects this month. Pray for safety as she travels and that it will be a fruitful trip for both Tearfund Ireland and our partners.

WORLD NEWS

- Ethiopia: Please pray for the Tearfund Ireland Ethiopia team and our partners there. The country has recently been in the news due to unrest and uncertainty. Unstable weather is also having a huge impact on people. Pray that the self-help groups can continue to meet and that essential travel will still be possible.
- South Sudan: famine was last declared there in 2017, with conflict a major cause. Latest reports say that 6.96 million people (61% of the population) are now in urgent need of help again. Please pray for peace in South Sudan and for the people in areas facing the worst shortages of food.
- Pray for an end to the Ebola outbreak, that has now spread from DRC to Uganda.
- In recent days the UN announced that there are now a record 70.8 million refugees in the world who have had to flee their homes because of war, persecution or violence. Please continue to pray for protection and hope for refugees as they seek new life and a way out of their situation.

IRELAND

- Pray for the Tearfund Ireland seminar at New Wine Sligo this month. Pray that it will help those who attend to gain a deeper understanding of the harm caused to children growing up in institutions and how we can take steps to help families stay together.
- Please pray for the success of an application for EU funding to be submitted in July. Pray that it will be successful for us and for our partners.
- Please pray for the Tearfund Ireland staff team as they begin to take annual holiday. Ask God for the rest and refreshment that is needed before the busy autumn season.
- Please pray that churches and prayer groups will invite Tearfund Ireland speakers to bring an update of our work in the coming months. If you would like a speaker please contact the office on 01-8783200 or email emma.lynch@tearfund.ie.