

MONTHLY PRAYER BULLETIN

June 2021

'Children living in institutions are therefore assumed to be denied the basic conditions required for positive socioemotional and cognitive development'

**"HOW PRICELESS IS YOUR UNFAILING LOVE, O GOD!
PEOPLE TAKE REFUGE IN THE SHADOW OF YOUR WINGS."
~PSALM 36:7**

GIVE THANKS

- Thank you for praying for us as we prepared for the recent online Conference, Beyond Institutional Care. Thank God for Peter, Ruth and Sinet who graciously gave their time to speak about the impact living in an orphanage has had on their lives. Please pray for each of them as they continue advocate and work for changes in how we care. A recording of the conference will be available soon on the Tearfund Ireland website, please email emma.lynch@tearfund.ie if you would like to be sent a link when the recording goes live.
- Iraq: Thank God for our new partner STEP Iraq. Give thanks for new legislation that enables foster care in Kurdish Iraq and that will help prevent separation of families.
- Thank God for the opportunity to participate in a service focused on mission to be broadcast on RTÉ 1 at 11am on June 13th. The theme of the service is "Church without Walls".

WORLD NEWS

- Ethiopia: Elections postponed in August 2020 will now take place on June 21st. At this time of potential uncertainty and tension, please pray that the elections will pass off peacefully. Keep praying for an end to the violence in Tigray, Ethiopia. The conflict between armed groups in this district and the Ethiopian government has been escalating over six months, and has led to 4.5 million people needing humanitarian assistance.
- Yemen: Torrential rains have caused flash flooding in Yemen, affecting thousands of families and destroying homes. Local authorities are in the process of moving camps for people who have been displaced by the conflict to higher ground. Pray for protection against deadly waterborne diseases such as cholera. Ask God for the floodwaters to recede, and to bring an end to the six-year-conflict.
- Covid-19: Pray for India and Nepal as they tackle the growing number of coronavirus cases and for urgent provision of healthcare equipment. Pray for our partners in Cambodia, Ethiopia and Lebanon as they continue their work with the added challenges brought about by the virus.
- Pray for Tearfund Ireland and the 10 other Tearfund organisations around the world as we build closer collaboration through the Tearfund Family.

IRELAND

- Join us in praying for the ongoing recruitment for three key positions within Tearfund Ireland. Ask God for excellent candidates and for discernment in the interview process. Please pray for Niamh and Markus as they take up new roles and pray for the staff as we manage all the various responsibilities during this time of transition.
- Please continue to pray for our strategy refresh which is on hold during the recruitment process; pray for opportunities to build a foundation for engagement and supporter involvement.
- Climate Justice: Please pray for favour as a Climate Justice Fund application for Tearfund Ireland's work with the Girls Friendly Society (GFS) is assessed. Building on a project in 2020, we hope to build the capacity of GFS groups to take action for climate justice.
- Pray that we would be a faithful witness of our Father, shining His light through practical demonstrations of love; pursuing righteousness, joy and peace for all; and exemplifying humility and grace as we proclaim truth.