

# Monthly Prayer Bulletin

May 2022

"...be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people"  
~Ephesians 6:18b (NIV)



## Give Thanks

- Praise God for the smooth transition back into the office over the past 6 weeks. It has been a blessing to spend more time with colleagues in the same space.
- Thank you for praying for our recent funding application for work with young people in churches exploring climate justice. We have been approved for funding and hope to start the project this month. Thank God for the opportunities it will bring for young people around the world to share directly with one another about how changing weather patterns are impacting the most vulnerable where they live.

## World News

- Ukraine: Please continue to pray for the work of our partner Integra as they bring relief aid into Ukraine and work with refugees in bordering countries. Pray that humanitarian aid will reach those most in need. Pray for grace, strength and wisdom for church leaders as they minister to growing congregations at this devastating time. Pray for political leaders that they will be peace makers and for an end to the war.
- Food insecurity: It is possible that agricultural production in Ukraine could decline by as much as 50 this year, driven lower levels of planting, crop losses due to damage, and reduced yields due to shortages of fertiliser and fuel. This is having an impact on food supplies in Europe and many other poorer countries including Ethiopia and Lebanon. Please pray that Ukrainian farmers will be able to plant crops and for provision for the communities that are worst affected by grain shortages.
- Yemen: The United Nations says that the conflict in Yemen has produced the largest humanitarian crisis in the world, with 24 million people (80% of the population) needing humanitarian aid. Reduced supplies of wheat from Ukraine are likely to push hunger levels in Yemen even higher. Please pray for an end to the conflict.
- Africa: People in countries across the Horn of Africa, including Ethiopia and Somaliland are facing severe hunger. Three years of failed harvests have had devastating consequences across the region. Pray for urgent food provision for those in need and for the rains to come.

## Ireland

- We are grateful to be eligible to apply for more significant funding from Irish Aid this year to expand our project work with partners in Ethiopia and Cambodia over the next 5 years. Please pray for the team as we prepare to submit the application in early May and for favour with the evaluators.
- Please pray with us for runners and walkers to raise funds for Tearfund Ireland partners around the world as part of the VHI Women's Mini Marathon on 5th June 2022. You can find out more details here: <https://www.tearfund.ie/get-involved/events/> Please pray for good weather!
- Pedal Against Poverty: this summer we thank God for all the cyclists who will get on their bikes to raise funds for our partners' work. If you would like to take part please contact [amanda.prather@tearfund.ie](mailto:amanda.prather@tearfund.ie)
- Tearfund Ireland team members are available to bring updates at local churches. If you would like a speaker to visit, please email Emma: [emma.lynch@tearfund.ie](mailto:emma.lynch@tearfund.ie)