## **Monthly Prayer Bulletin**

July 2022

"But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." ~Amos 5:24 (ESV)



## **Give Thanks**

• Ethiopia: Thank you for praying for our recent funding application to Irish Aid for the Self-Help Group (SHG) work in Ethiopia. The application has been successful! Two Dublin staff will be traveling to Ethiopia in early July to meet partners, visit self-help groups and prepare for next phase of the SHG project work. Please pray for safety in travel and deepening relationships with all our partners.

• Syria: We are working with partners to provide child safe places in Syria, where children can play safely and work through some of the trauma they have experienced during the conflict. Thank God for these spaces and the skilled staff that work there. Pray for many children to be helped through this project

• Yemen: Thank you for your prayer for Yemen. Praise God that the temporary ceasefire has been extended and that all parties are engaged in peace talks. please continue to pray for a long-term peace in the country.

• Pedal Against Poverty: Thank God for all the cyclists who will get on their bikes this summer to raise funds for our partners' work. If you would like to take part, please contact amanda.prather@

## World News

• East Africa: Pray for all those affected by drought in East Africa due to the lack of rainfall, crop failures and lack of grain available for distribution as a result of the blockade of Ukranian ports.

• Lebanon: Our partners tell us that the economic and social crises continue in Lebanon. The currency has been devalued by more than 2,000% since 2019 and everyone is impacted. At one stage the electricity supply across the country was reduced to just one hour per day. In the midst of all this the church is a powerful witness of hope in Lebanon. Pray that churches will flourish and communities will be transformed to the glory of God.

• Ukraine: Praise God for the generosity of our supporters enabling us to send significant funding to our partners to provide humanitarian support to Ukrainians fleeing conflict areas. Please continue to pray for an end to the conflict – our partners working there have told us about the difference they're seeing in the people leaving Ukraine. The initial phases were people who had the means to flee quickly, but the majority of people seeking assistance now have experienced direct conflict. Many are injured, most are vulnerable and all are traumatised. Please continue to pray that all those in a position to bring an end to this conflict would do so.

• Conflicts around the world: Over 70 conflicts are currently raging across the globe and they are responsible for up to 100 million people being forcibly displaced from their homes at this time. Please pray for peace and for those who are experiencing the trauma of being forced from their homes.

## Ireland

• New Wine Sligo Conference: We will be at the New Wine Ireland family conference in mid- July and look forward to meeting as many people as possible. 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.

• 5 A Side Football: Please pray for the team as we plan for a 5 A Side Church Football Blitz on Saturday 20th August in Dublin. To find out more contact michael.goss@tearfund.ie

• Tearfund Ireland Speakers: If your church would like a Tearfund Ireland speaker to bring an update about our partners' work at your church or small group, please contact: emma.lynch@tearfund.ie