

Monthly Prayer Bulletin

October 2024

'That is why we labour and strive, because we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Saviour of all people, and especially of those who believe.'

~1 Timothy 4:10

Give Thanks

'In everything by prayer' Philippians 4:6. Thank God for the priority given to prayer at Tearfund Ireland. Please remember the staff team as we take time intentionally to pray together for God's provision for the work of our partners this autumn.

Join us in giving thanks for our continued and increasing collaboration within the wider Tearfund Family. Please pray for Sean as he attends the meeting of the Integral Alliance and the Tearfund Family in early October. Ask God that the nine Tearfund Family organisations around the world, may be a shining light of how Jesus uses the Church to help people overcome poverty, withstand disasters and transform their communities.

We give thanks for all the organisations that we partner with in our work to keep children in safe and nurturing families. Thank him for our partners in Cambodia, pray that they will be encouraged in their work to strengthen families and reintegrate children from orphanages back into family and community.

World News

Lebanon: For almost a year, our partners, Thimar have been asking if there will be a full-scale war in Lebanon. They ask for our prayer at this time:

"For regional peace: it can be discouraging after nearly a year of this war to truly believe that peace can actually come, but we serve an impossibly good and sovereign God, and so we continue to ask Him to bring a peaceful end to the violent war everywhere that has been affected by it.

For individual peace: we pray that the peace of God would guard the hearts of minds of Thimar staff and our local partners. It is unbelievable how the situation continues to get worse almost a year on, and the psychological effects of an expanded war, psychological warfare, and the events of this week in particular are simply exhausting for staff and partners.

For the presence of God to be made known both to His children and to all who do not know Him yet.

For the protection and steadfastness of His church in Lebanon to remain beacons of hope and light."

Ethiopia: Pray for the staff team finalising annual reports for institutional donors on the Self Help Group project. Thank God for the encouragement of so many lives restored and transformed through this work.



Ireland

Pray that our involvement with the Irish Emergency Alliance will generate much needed funding for our emergency response for the people affected by conflict in Gaza and in Lebanon.

Please pray for the team as we apply for the next round of Irish Aid funding for both the Self Help Group work in Ethiopia and Global Citizenship Education in Ireland

Pray for the Tearfund Ireland Board and staff as we progress our strategic review.

Please pray for good participation and interest in the upcoming launch of our 'Loving our Neighbour' report. The report is the result of research carried out with young adults who attend churches across the island of Ireland on their attitudes to faith and climate issues.

Please pray for informative, engaging discussions as we speak at supporting churches, Synods and harvest events over the coming months.

Pray that all our supporters and the church in Ireland would be contagious in hope, increasing in faith and generous in our demonstrations of love to all we meet and to those in desperate need around the world