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Prayer Diary

June - August 2026

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Eastern Europe

MON 1 Brada and Yatza Radanovic live in Novi Sad, Serbia, where Brada pastors Grace Evangelical Church. Praise God that the new bilingual (English/Serbian) church website is functioning well and has attracted visitors to church services. Pray that the Spirit helps the attendees of the 'Turning Point' workshop on overcoming anger to grow in Christ-like character. Pray too for the health of the church youth workers: one has heart issues, the other had ankle surgery (six months recovery). The Lord has provided a third worker who just joined the church: pray that he clicks with the youth.

TUE 2 Riste and Tea Micev run Project Timothy in Novi Sad, Serbia, training church leaders and workers for preaching, evangelism and discipleship, and translating Christian resources into Serbian. They write: We are grateful to God for the wonderful conference we had at the end of April, as well as for the Women in the Word ministry. Please pray that God would bless the women who received the book of Psalms and who have one more meeting remaining as part of their two-year programme. May it truly be a blessing to all of them.

WED 3 Local Baptist minister and study partner Radomir Jovetic finishes the MA in Local Church Ministry this month at the Theological Science Academy in Novi Sad, Serbia. He will teach local pastors and church workers and promote expository preaching at the Baptist seminary, where he has been chaplain. Pray Radomir would exemplify and honour Christ in his responsibility as a pastor and Bible teacher, encouraging and equipping other church leaders and gospel workers.

THU 4 Graeme and Bequi Innes serve at Providenta Church in Chişinău, Moldova. Please pray for the Innes family during their home leave this summer, that it will be a time of physical and spiritual refreshment. Praise God for recent encouragements in their ministry in Moldova, such as the national Bible conference Graeme organised in May. Pray that the Christians who were present will be strengthened in their faith, with deeper biblical convictions.

FRI 5 Matt and Sarah Gurtler serve at Sfânta Treime (Holy Trinity) Church in Nisporeni, Moldova. Praise God for the opportunities that the summer provides in Moldova for evangelistic kids and youth camps. Please pray particularly for the day camp happening in Nisporeni, that the team (including international guests) will be able to present the gospel clearly, and that the children who come will hear and respond. Please pray too for the logistics of the IFES Eurasia conference being hosted in Moldova this month, and for Matt and Sarah's part in that.

East Africa

SAT 6 Gerald and Louise Mwangi (with Jeremiah, Daniel and James) train youth and children's workers in Kenya. Please pray for Gerald as he teaches the Bible to evangelists, church workers and clergy. Pray that the participants would understand the centrality of the gospel and ensure that their sermon preparation and teaching is faithful and sound. Pray too for their discipleship; to be continually disciplined in the word and for it to be evident in their lives. Pray this too for Gerald, Louise, Jeremiah, Daniel and James as they live in Nairobi – for the boys as they attend school and for Louise as she works in management at the same school.

SUN 7 Jomo Nderitu is the youth worker for the Diocese of Marsabit in northern Kenya, and is responsible for the youth ministry across the diocese's 64 churches. Praise God for open doors for gospel ministry in several schools. Pray that the seed of the gospel will keep falling on fertile soil and bear lasting fruit. Thank God for the resources to plan and hold the April leadership summit on 1 Peter – pray that people's hearts will be soaked in and gripped by the word. Please also pray for iMarika26 in December, trusting God to provide the funds for this strategic week-long youth training.

MON 8 Lay reader and study partner Stanley Munyao has been involved in evangelism and preaching in his local parish in the Diocese of Makueni, Kenya. Recommended by the bishop, Stanley will study the three-year DipTh course at St Andrew's College of Theology and Development, Kabare. Pray for an increase in the number of trained clergy and for Stanley's work in the diocese's mission department in church planting.

TUE 9 Pray for St Julian's Training Centre in Nairobi, Kenya, as they seek to train pastors across Kenya in Bible-based preaching. Pray for pastors who receive training to preach faithfully to their congregations, so that communities, churches and individuals grow in faith. Pray for the leadership team and the advisory committee to have wisdom for future planning of the programme.

WED 10 Dr Alison Talbert is working at the Kenya Medical Research Institute-Wellcome Trust Research Programme in Kilifi, Kenya. Give thanks: that she received approval for her work permit renewal from the Department of Immigration in good time; for the dedicated community engagement, fieldwork, data, dietary assessment, lab and coordination teams that she supervises, as they complete the final stage of recruitment of pregnant women for the micronutrient

supplements study; for the cooperation with government health workers in the county hospital and six participating dispensaries.

THU 11 Rachael and Bernie Muluuta are studying theology at Oak Hill Theological College in London as they prepare to return to ministry in Uganda. Their baby girl was due in mid-May. Pray for good health for Rachael and the baby, and for them all as they adjust to life as a family of three. Pray for a safe visit to Uganda in August, where Rachael hopes to complete some research for her dissertation. Pray the Lord will provide all they need as they plan to return to Uganda.

FRI 12 Nekemte School for the Deaf is a Christian community-based education programme for children with disabilities in Ethiopia. Give thanks for the new craft room which has been built next to the school, where they used to grow corn. Pray for members of staff, especially the teachers of the deaf who have been at the school loyally for a long time, to receive appropriate management, leadership, upskilling, training and pay. Please keep praying for the partnership with Deaf Child Hope, an American Christian charity. So far this has been well received by the school team, and all parties are keen for further development.

SAT 13 From the Anglican Diocese of Kitui in Kenya, study partner Revd Wycliffe Sammy is enrolled on the four-year BDiv course at St Paul's University, Limuru. The diocese is in a semi-arid region with significant poverty and is considered a missionary area. Wycliffe has seen his congregation increase in numbers recently. Pray for his training, that he will be further equipped in Bible teaching, church leadership and discipleship.

SUN 14 Ken Irungu serves as the youth and children's worker at GracePoint Church Kikuyu, on the outskirts of Nairobi, Kenya. He writes: Thank God for the many opportunities we get to teach the gospel to children and young people. Pray that we will see long-lasting fruit from the Youth on Fridays weekly fellowship. Pray for all ongoing preparations for our August mission month evangelistic events, which aim to reach children, youth, and adults in the community with the gospel. Pray for me and my wife Ann to be disciple-making disciples.

MON 15 Study partner Raymond Elphace, from Dar es Salaam in Tanzania, is studying the three-year online BTh course at the South African Theological Seminary. He is a Free Pentecostal Church pastor involved in church planting and currently leading his church's preaching series on the Book of Acts. Raymond also serves voluntarily three days a week at Dar es Salaam Bible College teaching 'Handling God's Word' to church pastors and potential ministry leaders.

Central Europe

TUE 16 Jirka and Keira Kralovi run student ministries at Olomouc University and train Christianity Explored leaders in the Czech Republic. Please give thanks for a really encouraging academic year with the university students in Olomouc. Please pray for these students during the summer months, especially as some will be leading small groups on church camps. Please pray for Jirka as he attends a church ministers' trip away in Silesia, in the north east of the Czech Republic from 22-24 June. Pray for him too as he prepares materials for teaching on summer camps and for him and Keira as they have other summer events including youth camp teaching for churches.

WED 17 InterAction Germany is a bilingual summer camp for 12-17-year-olds running from 18-25 July. The team write: Please give thanks for our ninth InterAction Germany camp! As we look forward to this summer's camp, please pray for: us to quickly get used to the new location; new campers to feel welcomed and at home; leaders to serve with joy and humility; the Lord Jesus to speak through the book of Exodus and draw all to (deeper) faith in him.

THU 18 Andy and Zsófi Oatridge lead Acorn Bibliai Képzés (ABK), which trains Hungarian leaders in Bible-centred youth work, and serve in a church plant. Andy also serves part-time as Director of Langham Preaching: Europe and Caribbean. Praise God for Kristóf joining the team to help establish good structures for taking the Acorn Bible Training across Hungary. Please pray that enough funds would be provided so he can work half time with Acorn. Pray for Andy and Zsófi becoming youth leaders at church as they seek to inspire the youth to love Christ, love his word and reach their friends for Christ. Pray also for a growing partnership with local churches to reach teenagers in their town, Biatorbágy.

Central & South America

FRI 19 Matt and Helen Pope (with Eva and Judah) serve in Santiago, Chile, mentoring and training local pastors. Matt writes: Thank you, Lord, that my one-to-one work with pastors is growing, with many eager to develop a culture of training and discipleship in their churches. Please keep us spiritually healthy and help us to say no to sin. We lift up Eva as she plans this year ahead. She has three months serving at a church in New York but is also looking to serve in a different context for another three months this year. Grant safety and health amid current concerns, and please let Judah's volleyball continue to bring him joy.

SAT 20 Training for pastoral leadership and ordination, study partner Matías Nunez Castro is on the five-year BTh course at the Seminario Teologico Presbiteriano in Santiago, Chile, equipping him further in Bible preaching and teaching, discipleship and worship. Pray for Matías as his church trains new leaders for their outreach ministry and a long-term strategy to plant new congregations in areas where there is currently no church presence.

SUN 21 Praise God with Andy and Bethanie Walker (Mendoza, Argentina) for a great time reconnecting back in the UK and for a great start with the new staff team – two assistant pastors and a Crosslinks short-termer. Please pray for fruit from the new format of midweek groups – separate men's and women's Bible studies to reconnect with families from the local neighbourhood. And also for the fourth Gospel Conference focusing on 2 Timothy to be a blessing to their church and other local churches.

MON 22 Study partner Brian Yapura from Argentina is completing the BA Theology course at Union School of Theology, Bridgend, Wales. Give thanks and pray for the vision Brian and others, including Crosslinks mission partners, have to establish a Bible training programme in Rosario and Buenos Aires, Argentina. There is a great need to train pastors and ministry workers as only 20% of local church leaders have received any formal training.

TUE 23 Today is the Crosslinks Summer Gathering and AGM in central London. Pray for those gathering in person and those attending online to be greatly encouraged by how the Lord has worked through Crosslinks in the past year. Pray for mission partners who are able to attend in person, that they will be encouraged by the many men and women who are praying for them and supporting them in their cross-cultural ministry.

WED 24 Prédica Fiel ('Faithful Preaching') trains Cuban church leaders and Bible teachers how to interpret and teach the Bible. Alexis Perez, who leads Prédica Fiel, writes: We praise God for our recent online mentorship programme, where 101 pastors were equipped through the study of the Psalms. Their hunger for the word is a great encouragement! However, please lift up our brothers and sisters in Cuba. Due to harsh conditions on the island, some scheduled trainings have been cancelled. Pray for resilience, hope, and divine provision amidst these hardships. May the Lord strengthen these leaders, reminding them that his grace is sufficient even in the most difficult seasons.

THU 25 Jony and Jenny Bertin are working to establish the Centro de Exposición Bíblica Argentina (CEBA), a Bible college in Buenos Aires. They write: Please join us in making this prayer for the church in Argentina our own: '*Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth*' (John 17:17). Please especially pray as I (Jony) serve as one of the three instructors at the Simeon Trust expository preaching conferences in Buenos Aires (6-8 June) and Córdoba (9-11 June) on John's Gospel, gathering more than 100 pastors and apprentices.

Southern Europe

FRI 26 JP and Sue Aranzulla serve at Forte Torre church in Bologna. They write: Give thanks for signs that Forte Torre is preparing for future life without our leadership (God willing, we'll move to Genova by the end of January 2027, for a new church planting initiative). The regular 'Leaders for God's Church' evenings are helping to consolidate men in godly desires to exercise pastoral ministry: pray the church will be convinced of the emerging future leadership, and for a smooth 2026 transition, thereby enabling Forte Torre to joyfully and wholeheartedly 'accompany' us in long-term partnership for the new work in Genova.

SAT 27 Jonny and Ruth Pullar serve at Stupenda Grazia Church in Modena, Italy. Thank God for the summer camp they could help with in Bologna. Pray the young people remember the gospel they've heard and go along to a healthy church. Please also pray for the two or three teenagers at Stupenda Grazia Church. Pray for wisdom for Jonny and Ruth helping with the youth group and that the teens would grow in their faith and invite others to come and meet Jesus in the word.

SUN 28 Chris and Lizzie Brown are based in Bologna, Italy and serve with the Gruppi Biblici Universitari (GBU), the Christian student movement. They write: Summer is a quieter period for student work, but we would value prayers to find student leaders for all the groups we run so they can restart in September. With our church and the help of Youth for Christ Italia we organise a teens' holiday club the week starting 31 August. Pray for teens to enrol and for good opportunities to share Jesus with them.

MON 29 Pray for Comunidade da Graça, the church plant in Coimbra, Portugal, where Joe and Rachel Clarke are serving. Give thanks for the visitors who have been coming along each Sunday, and pray that God's word would take root in their hearts and lives. Pray too for the upcoming youth retreat that the Clarkes are helping to organise (1-4 July) – for the gospel to be proclaimed faithfully, for God's people to be built up, for the youth who aren't yet believers to be converted, and for the logistics to run smoothly (they are camping, and Rachel will be cooking for everyone on a camping stove each day!).

TUE 30 The bilingual InterAction Belgium summer camps run from 24 July-1 August (14-17-year-olds), and 3-9 August (11-14-year-olds). Give thanks for Christ-centred camps in Belgium. This year's camps are bigger than ever with around 180 campers across both camps. Praise God for this appetite

for Bible-teaching camps in Belgium! Pray that the Lord would reveal himself to every one of these campers, many of whom have been invited by friends, as they hear talks in Genesis and study Matthew's Gospel. Please pray for practicalities to come together and for safety with 150 people on site for both.

July 2026

WED 1 Join Chris and Rosy Redfearn in praising God for their first academic year at Méndez Núñez Church in Valencia, Spain. Give thanks for church members' appetite for training in Bible handling, and one-to-one/two Bible studies Chris and Rosy have been enjoying with young leaders. Pray for these ministries to grow and for people to grow in their enjoyment of God and faithfulness as disciples as a result. Pray for the Redfearns as they adapt to life as a family of five with their new baby, and pray they'll have good times of rest in the UK in August.

THU 2 Julian and Nicky Milson serve in Valencia, Spain, where Julian leads Comunidad Anglicana Evangélica de Valencia. They write: Praise God for his sustaining love for us as a church family and for his care since we began afresh in September. Pray for wisdom as we finalise plans for a fundraising project to help secure the long-term future of the church. Pray for our family over the summer as we visit some of our partner churches, take a much-needed break and attend the Keswick Convention.

The UK & Ireland

FRI 3 Simon and Abigail Donohoe are working towards planting and establishing a church in Cherrywood, Dublin (which has a population larger than most towns in Ireland but no church of any denomination) in partnership with Immanuel Church Dublin. Give thanks for encouraging growth in their weekly Connect Group Bible study, both in numbers and in maturity in Christ. Give thanks for the small launch team for

the church plant. Please pray for wisdom, unity and servant-heartedness as they work together to establish a new church in this spiritually needy area. Please pray for deepening connections in the local area and for opportunities to point people to Christ as our only hope in life and death.

SAT 4 J engages in ministry to refugees in a UK regional capital city. When most other English classes have stopped for the summer holidays, she facilitates a weekly mixed-level conversation session. This annual fixture gives the team of volunteers from her home church an opportunity to interact with newcomers and get some valuable experience in ministry to internationals. Pray that the thought-provoking simple gospel talk given each week by one of the volunteers will have significant spiritual impact.

SUN 5 Jem Hovil wears various hats in the BUILD training network, with its focus on pastor-training at the grassroots in East Africa. One is as the 'executive' trustee of the UK BUILD Partners charity. Please pray with Jem and the other trustees for the development of this support arm, and for that growth to come out of a fresh awareness among younger people of the critical needs for training at the grassroots in the global South. *'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.'*

MON 6 Pray for Michael Durant as he continues building partnerships in order to start work with the BUILD initiative, helping expand the ongoing work of grassroots theological and leadership training in East Africa. Please join Michael in praying for the right partners to join the work, and praise God for all those who have partnered so far. Michael married Ella in February; please thank God for their union and pray for them both as they establish good rhythms in their first six months of marriage.

TUE 7 Lift up all those who serve in prison ministry, running Bible

studies and dealing with complicated pastoral issues. Pray for their endurance, for eternal fruit from their labours and for God's word to bring life, purpose and joy into the lives of those they minister to. Pray for prisoners who have come to know Jesus to keep growing in their love of Christ and to find fellowship and support in a church family upon their release.

WED 8 Please pray for the Crosslinks gap year team, who return home from Cape Town today. Pray that as they return home to their families and prepare to go to university and work, that the Lord would continue the discipleship work that he has been carrying out in them, that they would always be growing in their love of him. Pray that their time in South Africa would have a long lasting impact on them, that they each would go on to various forms of mission work and ministry throughout their lives.

THU 9 Alastair and Elise Donaldson (with Josiah and Edith) are based in County Galway, Ireland, where they are seeking to plant a church in Gort. They write: These first months of 2026 have been busy for us and those in the Bible study group we run. Please pray for perseverance. Give thanks for Josiah and Edith's growing faith – there are little encouragements often. Please pray they would shine for Jesus in secular and nominal surroundings. We will be away as a family in July, followed by some camp ministry with one of our supporter churches in August. Please pray for rest and recuperation and a sense of conviction for the new season in September.

FRI 10 Helen Sheridan is based in County Mayo, Ireland, where she serves at Calvary Church Castlebar. Pray for Helen as she returns to her ministry after a six-month break, that she'll feel deeply refreshed and ready to serve joyfully again. Pray for her as she catches up on things and reconnects with people, that she'll do it all in God's strength and depend on him for what she needs each day.

SAT 11 Thorsten and Kerstin Prill, based in Scotland, are partnering with Crosslinks to provide theological guidance, cross-cultural training, member care and counselling to mission partners. They also regularly meet online with Namibian church leaders and missionaries, offering mentoring and counselling. Discouragement is a major challenge in pastoral ministry, often intensified by urgent needs, unreliable salaries, and limited resources. Spiritual warfare is ever present. Please pray for our Namibian brothers and sisters as they faithfully evangelise and disciple others. Ask that they would stand firm, remain faithful in the work the Lord has called them to do and pray for the provision of their daily needs.

Northern Europe

SUN 12 Chris and Lotta Strajnic serve at Emmaus Church in Stockholm, Sweden. They are grateful for a term filled with growth and encouragement in the church and are now looking forward to a couple of weeks of holiday. At the end of July, they are hosting a summer camp, and over 100 people have signed up. Please pray for all the teaching preparations and for everyone attending, that it will be a blessed time.

MON 13 InterAction France will be running three camps this summer from 1-23 August. They're hoping for over 150 campers, aged between 9 and 18, mostly from France, but with a good UK contingent too. Please pray for bags of fun, rich relationships and for the gospel to be shared winsomely in the power of the Spirit. Pray for a new member of the senior leadership team, Eve-Marie, as she learns the ropes, and for the whole volunteer team: that camp would be a joyful and formative experience for all.

TUE 14 Trevor and Andrea Watson serve churches and their leaders in and around Gothenburg, Sweden, as well as equipping believers across

Sweden through *Rotad* conferences and resources. Give thanks for summer opportunities to preach in partner churches in Mölndal, Gothenburg and Jönköping. Please pray for pastors Ben, Daniel and Nima and their congregations, as they proclaim and display Jesus in their cities. Praise God for the Rotad youth camp leaders retreat from 25-28 July. Pray for unity and the Spirit's leading as the team seek him and plan together.

WED 15 Pārdaugava Reformed Church (PRC) was planted in Riga, Latvia, in 2016, and is led by Mārtiņš Martinson. He writes: Praise God for the church family camp where we were thinking about the implications of Christ's resurrection in this life and the life to come. Pray that this important truth would strengthen the believers to live for Christ now! Praise God for the youth camp. At the camp we were looking at how God saves people and builds his kingdom. Pray that the Spirit would be at work in shaping and building up the faith of our youth.

West Africa

THU 16 Study partner Mensah Ameyaw is studying the two-year MTh course at Akrofi-Christaller Institute of Theology, Mission and Culture in Accra, Ghana, to gain more academic rigour in theology and hone pastoral leadership skills. Give thanks for Mensah's involvement in preaching and in teaching expository preaching and theology to apprentices at Redeemer City Church, and in equipping students in expository preaching, leadership and mentorship through Relite Africa Ministries.

FRI 17 Alex and Susannah serve in West Africa. Pray for them this month travelling around the UK visiting family, partners and friends. Pray for the kids to have a good time in their passport country and to connect with some old and new friends. Praise God for the chance to go to Keswick and pray the family would be refreshed and re-empowered to serve anew when they get back to West Africa. Pray on

for the gospel to be preached, heard and believed in West Africa.

SAT 18 Rick and Alanna Creighton train pastors for church ministry at Jos ECWA Theological Seminary (JETS) in Nigeria. Rick and Alanna have been invited to a Bible college in Malaysia for a week at the end of July to do some teaching (based on Rick's Grow in Christ discipleship course). Straight after, Rick and their sons Conor and Jack will be heading back to Nigeria. Alanna will be staying on in the UK into September to help their daughter Asha get started at university in Leeds. Please pray for Malaysia, the new semester in Nigeria, and Asha as she transitions to the UK.

SUN 19 Study partner Ezekiel Ishaya Bala is a volunteer teacher of certificate and diploma courses at the Zabolo ECWA Theological Seminary, Nigeria. He is studying the two-year MA Biblical Studies (Old Testament) course at the Evangelical Theological Seminary, Jos (JETS). Pray for Ezekiel serving on the Zabolo faculty as the seminary seeks to extend their curriculum by introducing a Bachelor of Theology course.

MON 20 Portia Yiadom serves in Accra, Ghana, as the women's worker for Relite Africa Ministries – a Ghanaian-led Bible training scheme for university students. She writes: Give thanks for a good number of Relite alumni entering full-time Christian work in Ghana, some in church planting, some in para-church organisations, some serving with GAFES, the equivalent of UCCF in Ghana. Please pray for first-year students to keep attending Bible studies so that they would grow in their love and knowledge of our Lord Jesus and bring others to trust and hope in him. Pray too for our church's Vacation Bible School for over 1500 5-18-year-olds in the first week of August. Please pray they will hear and understand the gospel of God's grace and be saved and encouraged to persevere.

TUE 21 Pray for study partner Adriano Mbackeh who teaches at the Servants of the Word Bible School in The Gambia and is also involved in pastoral leadership in his local church and in training other church leaders. Adriano is on the two-year MTH course at George Whitefield College, South Africa, to strengthen his knowledge in theological doctrine and gain a better understanding of the Scriptures and mission.

Asia & Australasia

Preaching the gospel publicly and open discipleship are not always possible in parts of Asia and the Middle East, which is why some of the following entries do not include full names or locations. Please pray for sensitivity to the local situation and for opportunities to witness safely.

WED 22 J and Y serve in Asia, teaching Greek and Hebrew to Christians. They write: Give thanks for recent Greek and Hebrew intensives, including having new teachers teaching the material. Pray for the preparation of new material based on 1-3 John and Genesis, and the revision of material on Psalm 119 and John's Gospel. Pray for outreach, especially salvation for B and YF. Give thanks for a baby boom at church! Pray for wisdom as we change as a church, as well as wisdom for a possible plant in the west of the city.

THU 23 N disciples young local believers returning to an Asian country from overseas. Pray for N as she prepares to return to the UK this autumn (to be closer to her parents) after 18 years in Asia. Pray for wisdom in handing over roles at the international church, and for more future long-term workers with a heart to reach and serve international students in this region. Pray for wisdom in what aspects of her role supporting returnees she might continue remotely from the UK as she seeks a new role continuing in international student ministry.

FRI 24 SBT:NI trains church leaders to study, teach and apply God's word effectively in areas which are increasingly hostile to the gospel. Thank God for the successful completion of the Ezra Training Module held from 6–11 July, with full participation of all 60 registered students. Pray for the upcoming SBT workshop from 27–30 July, that God will guide all preparations and bless the sessions. Pray for the SBT workshop from 10-14 August, asking for God's presence, effective teaching, and spiritual growth for all participants.

SAT 25 Study partner David Mishra is Registrar at the Nepal Ebenezer Theological Seminary in Kathmandu, Nepal. He has enrolled on the three-year MA Practical Theology (Leadership) course with the Asia Graduate School of Theology Nepal. Give thanks that, as an associate pastor at his church, David wants to provide faithful and sound Bible teaching. Pray for his plans to engage in gospel mission to more remote parts of the country.

SUN 26 John and Gillian Robinson run the Place of Grace, clubs and a foodbank in five of Bangkok's needy communities in Thailand. Praise God that the recent school inspection went very well, and for the blessing of a new 21-seater school bus. Give thanks for many students getting closer to God, and for children from the five slum communities coming to the afternoon clubs where they hear about God who loves them. Pray for safety and protection for May, a young girl from the school was taken up country by her grandmother who has gambling debts. Please pray too for the vision for a safe house for boys. Two boys are in desperate need as their father is violent and drinks every day, so they are not fed or looked after.

MON 27 Thang Bu Naing is studying for a master's in theology at the Australian College of Christian Studies (ACCS), supported by Crosslinks. He has served as Academic Dean of Trinity College Myanmar since 2016, and in 2022 co-founded Faith, Hope, Love Ministries, which seeks to share

the gospel with unreached and unchurched communities. Please pray that his studies will equip him all the more for this ministry, and that God will use Thang Bu for his glory.

TUE 28 E4L runs centres where they pastorally care for and educate children from a North Indian city's slums and the surrounding areas. They write: E4L is growing, and we are grateful to share that we have received many new admissions this academic year. We have also started a new centre, bringing our total to six. Pray for the children, that they may remain in good health, especially as the weather is very warm with high temperatures and humidity. Pray for the teachers and volunteers as they make every effort to educate these children and seek opportunities to share the gospel.

WED 29 David and Rachel Williams serve at St Andrew's Hall in Melbourne with the Church Missionary Society of Australia (CMS-A), training long-term mission partners for gospel ministry. Give thanks to God for a new group of mission partners who have begun training at St Andrew's in July. Pray that they will be well-equipped for long term gospel mission in challenging and insecure contexts around the world. Pray too for David and Rachel as they care for and support family in Darwin and England.

THU 30 Alex and Kate Phillips are serving in Busan, South Korea. Alex is the pastor of an international church, and Kate leads the women's ministry. They write: Please give thanks that our foster child Yuha is getting adopted. Her new parents grew up in the church but are not following Jesus now. Please pray for them to know Jesus. Pray we will have good family time and time with the Lord as things slow down during the summer. Please pray for Alex's ordination to work out smoothly so that the church can remain as a registered religious organisation.

FRI 31 Neil and Sharon Watkinson (with Anna) are based in Sydney, being members of St Luke's Anglican Church, Clovelly. They write: We thank the Lord for being part of a gospel-minded community at church: please pray the Schools of Biblical Training (SBTs) that Neil runs in the Asia-Pacific region will create a greater vision for cross-cultural mission here, while he uses his time wisely for SBTs and the preaching and pastoral ministry at St Luke's.

August 2026

SAT 1 Word Works is a theological training project in the Philippines, led by Third Caampued. Praise God for the Word Works Bible training on Zoom with David Jackman in January and the proclamation training with Neil Watkinson in March, both on Philippians. Praise God for an appetite for faithful Bible teaching and training. Pray that these pilot activities encouraged and equipped all of those who participated to keep the ministry of word and prayer a priority. Pray that the Lord establishes Crosslinks partnerships for this ministry.

Western Europe

SUN 2 Steve and Dawn Orange live in Brussels, Belgium, where Steve is the pastor of the Protestant Evangelical Church of Woluwe. Please pray that talks given by Steve to a summer gathering of French and Swiss reformed baptist churches on the grace of God and its outworkings in our lives would be an encouragement. Pray too that the Interaction Belgium camps, which three Orange children are still involved in (Jemima is part of the organising committee), would be a great way for many to hear and grow in the gospel. Lastly, pray for preparation for 'la rentrée' (new term) at church, and for the church weekend 'sur place' at the end of August (with Robbie Bellis speaking).

MON 3 Study partner David Delahaye works as a professional diver and is part of Le Bon Berger church in Caen, France, led by mission partner Sena Ounate-Lare. There is a great need for trained church ministry workers in Normandy. Pray for David as he studies the four-year online Postgraduate Diploma in Theology through the Faculté Jean Calvin in Aix-en-Provence, to be equipped to assist Sena in pastoral leadership.

TUE 4 Robbie and Lizzie Bellis serve at the Eglise Protestante Evangélique de Louvain-la-Neuve in Belgium, where Robbie is the pastor. They write: Thank you for your prayers for gospel advance in Louvain-la-Neuve. Praise God for a Holiday Club we were able to organise in the town in July. Please pray for ongoing fruit from that week in newcomers coming to church. Please pray that in the year 2027-2028 we would grow as a church in our love for Jesus and for the lost around us.

WED 5 Please pray for James and Lou Clark, involved in church planting and student work in the university town of Louvain-la-Neuve (French-speaking Belgium). Pray for them serving on the InterAction Belgium B summer camp taking place between 2-9 August: for Christ to be exalted by all that is said, both formally and informally; for the Lord's protection; and for increased joy in the Lord for the 140+ onsite. Pray for energy and love for the leaders, cooking team, and student helpers, and for new birth through the word of Christ.

THU 6 Sena and Jane Ounate-Lare lead Eglise Le Bon Berger in the city of Caen, in Normandy, France. Please pray for two outdoor Sunday services they will be having this summer. Pray too for the small group of teenagers in their church, that they will continue to stand firm in their faith and grow in their love for the Lord despite the secular context at school. Pray for more leaders for this group.

FRI 7 David and Kathryn-Anne Masters are mission partners in training, studying at the Brussels Bible Institute as they discern where they might serve long-term. They write: Having moved to Brussels a few weeks ago and finished InterAction Belgium camp A, please pray that we would keep adjusting to Belgian life. Pray for rest after camp as we await the arrival of our newborn due mid-August. Give thanks for the antenatal care Kathryn-Anne had lined up upon arrival. Pray for Kathryn-Anne's French-learning and for David to support her well through all the changes. Pray that amidst the changes we would trust our unchanging Lord with everything.

SAT 8 At the Brussels Bible Institute (Institut Biblique de Bruxelles), study partner Toni Arnaud has graduated from the Certification of Theological Initiation course. Pray for him as he and his wife, Ludivine, return to southeast France, taking up an internship with a congregation in Aix-en-Provence. This is in preparation for working with a protestant evangelical church to plant a new congregation in the Var region.

SUN 9 Tom and Liz Trump serve at Eglise Emmanuel Etterbeek in central Brussels, Belgium, where Tom is the pastor. Please pray for Tom and Liz as they serve at an InterAction Belgium summer camp. Tom is leading the assistant leader programme, working with around 20 students, while Liz is involved in the children's programme. Pray that God would renew their strength as they serve, and that this ministry would bear much fruit for his glory. May the students be deeply impacted, living lives transformed by the gospel.

MON 10 Charles and Frances de Roemer lead a church plant in the market town of Binche, in rural Wallonia, French-speaking Belgium. Please pray for Binche church. It is a small community with all the associated blessings and frustrations. Please pray that those belonging to this fellowship will grow in maturity and in their understanding of the faith.

Please pray for Charles and Frances as they bear the responsibility for nurturing this group.

Southern Africa

TUE 11 John and Jenny Miller live in South Africa, where John teaches at Johannesburg Bible College (JBC). Thank God for the opportunity John has for a sabbatical at present. Pray for spiritual refreshment and rest for John and Jenny, for helpful reading that would equip them for continued ministry at JBC and its sister colleges across Africa, and for good time as a family together. Pray too for the staff at JBC to be sustained through a busy season with John away.

WED 12 Study partner Wyson Moses is on the three-year online BTh course with the South African Theological Seminary. Wyson is involved in training pastors at a local Bible college in eastern Malawi linked to Johannesburg Bible College, South Africa. Give thanks Wyson is being equipped to help train nearly 20 students to understand the Scriptures and to teach and preach from God's word.

THU 13 Nat and Helen Schluter serve in South Africa, where Nat is the principal of Johannesburg Bible College (JBC), and Helen teaches and serves in operations. It's the middle of winter and Joburg is looking forward to warmer weather in September. The students are working hard, and JBC is planning for their first 'Men Serving Christ' conference, and their fourth 'Women Serving Christ' conference. Nat, Helen and family are travelling to the UK for a wedding next month, and a short holiday (world politics and oil prices permitting). Please pray for students planning what to do next year, and for college as they start recruitment for 2027.

FRI 14 Josh and Cathy Hooker have been on home assignment in Northern Ireland, but at the time of writing hope to be back in Namibia by now. Pray for their family during a time of change in August.

Benjamin and Erin will be flying back to the UK to their universities. Pray for Benjamin as he moves to Warwick university to start a master's there. Pray that he finds a great church, settles into his accommodation and continues to enjoy academic life. Pray for Erin as she starts her final year of her degree in York. Matthew is making big decisions this month about either remaining in Namibia or returning to NI to complete his A levels. Pray for him and for the logistics involved in this transition.

SAT 15 Adam and Nomfundo Tomalin (with Thandiwe) are involved in student ministry with The Bible Talks in Pinetown, South Africa. Praise God for the opportunity to take part in The Bible Talks' mid-year conference back in June. Many students from across different campuses in KZN joined us for an exciting weekend of great Bible teaching, fun, fellowship, and games! Pray for student leaders to continue to be raised up, disciplined, and trained. Pray for the Tomalins as a family to keep working on helpful habits that will help them as they seek to serve sustainably.

SUN 16 Give thanks for study partner Banele Maseko, a ministry worker with Christ Central Soweto in Johannesburg, South Africa. He is studying the three-year Bachelor of Theology course at the South African Theological Seminary in Sandton. Pray Banele will be equipped for the church's ministries in the township, reaching out with the gospel to children, youth and families, as well as to the students on the local campus of the University of Johannesburg.

MON 17 Christ Central Soweto is a church in Soweto, a township in Johannesburg, South Africa, pastored by Rev Musa Ntinga. He writes: We thank God for the growth of our church and the increasing number of people joining us. We are grateful for Christ the Only Hope Church and their commissioning as they step out to plant a new congregation. Pray that both churches would impact Soweto, drawing many to know the gospel

and be transformed. Pray that we continue to faithfully preach the word, bringing lasting change and blessing to the community.

TUE 18 Earlier this year, study partner Bright Musonda, who is a BTH student at the United Church of Zambia University in Kitwe, engaged in gospel outreach to Solwezi in the North-Western Province. Bright also teaches and encourages Zambia Fellowship of Evangelical Students (ZAFES) workers. Pray for Bright as he is equipped to serve the Lord, preaching and teaching God's word and engaging in student and youth ministry.

WED 19 Janet Webb serves as a Bible teacher at the Lighthouse Academy, a township primary school in Villiersdorp, South Africa. She writes: It is wonderful to see children from the under-resourced community in Villiersdorp engaging with age-appropriate Bibles! Praise God for this progress at Lighthouse Academy. Praise God for our new teachers being excited about teaching the Bible in their classes. Please pray for wisdom as I do all I can to ensure faithful Bible teaching in each class. Please pray that God gives me the gospel vision and the love needed to keep strengthening relationships with teachers and the school management team.

THU 20 Andy and Rachel Symons serve in Mkushi, Zambia, providing Bible training for a network of local churches. They write: Please pray for us in this busy season as we visit our supporting churches, friends and family. The trip will take us to the Netherlands (for a family wedding), all over England, even to Scotland and Northern Ireland. The only place we haven't got on our list is Wales! The time spent connecting with churches is such an encouragement to us, so please pray that we will also be an encouragement to others as we share what the Lord is doing in Zambia.

FRI 21 Study partner Itumeleng Ndlala is the Resident Music Director and a student worker at Hope Church in Auckland Park, Johannesburg. She is studying the three-year BTh Hons course at the South African Theological Seminary to build up her biblical knowledge and theological understanding for ministry in music and worship and in the church's student and women's work. Pray Itumeleng will articulate the message of Christ effectively through the word and in worship.

SAT 22 Alun and Debbie Burt live and work in Heideveld, Cape Town, where Alun is the rector of St Thomas Church. Please pray for St Thomas as they begin their 'Spring Outreach' in September and October. Pray that the whole congregation is motivated by God's love to reach their neighbours with the gospel. Pray that God's word is effective in saving people for his glory.

SUN 23 As students return for the second semester of the year, please pray for James and Lucy Buchanan at Hope Church Auckland Park in Johannesburg, South Africa. Pray that many students would attend Hope Church and that all the congregation would be encouraged to use their gifts to serve the Lord wholeheartedly, with some maybe even choosing to pursue full-time ministry roles. Pray for faithful and servant-hearted men and women to serve in the plentiful harvest field of southern Africa.

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MON 24 Give thanks to God for the first in-person 'Word Works' event – similar to a School of Biblical Training (SBT) – in the Philippines, working through Philipians over a few days with a dozen pastors and Bible teachers: they were encouraged as they discovered new riches in God's word, and consequently long to grow in understanding and handling the Bible better themselves. Do pray for follow-up training soon, and for SBTs planned in

other Asian countries to be fruitful (in early and late November).

TUE 25 Pray for the Ireland team – for Richard Balmer, Val Gibson, and Pam Smyth – as they serve our mission partners and the churches who have sent them. Give thanks for active mission partnerships and pray that even more people will be moved to pray, give and go on mission. Pray that Pam, Val and Richard will continue to serve the Lord with gladness for the sake of the gospel.

WED 26 Praise the Lord for the many supporters of Crosslinks who give sacrificially to gospel ministry, many as the widow gave her two copper coins in Luke 21:1-4. Praise the Lord for their investment in his global church and ask him to honour their gifts, ensuring they are stewarded well to enable further global gospel proclamation.

THU 27 Praise the Lord for the faithful and cheerful leadership of John McLernon (Mission Director), Beth Buchanan (Director of Mission Personnel), Mark Hackett (Director of Finance and Operations) and Rupert Shelley (Director of Mission Partnerships). Give thanks to God for his sustaining of them through busy roles and ministries, and on visits to partner churches and mission partners. Ask the Lord to continue to sustain them spiritually and protect their integrity as they steer and support their teams.

FRI 28 Give thanks for the Hub team – for Mark Hackett, Ade Adeoye, Chris Mukhtar, Alex Powell and Andrew Taylor – and for their essential yet often unseen work supporting those serving in mission, the Board of Trustees and other staff teams within Crosslinks. Give thanks for the Lord's sustaining of the team through the recent audit process, and pray he'll sustain each of them as they manage vital processes and tasks in their everyday work.

SAT 29 Pray for the Mission Partnerships team – for Rupert Shelley, Helen Burns, Margaret McGuire and Dan Reid – asking the Lord that they will continue to serve joyfully and humbly. Pray for them as they seek to help churches and individuals establish and engage in meaningful, two-way gospel partnerships with mission partners and study partners.

SUN 30 Pray for the Mission Personnel team – for Beth Buchanan, Anastasia Gibbs, Susie Harker, Dee Hemingway and Ian Marden – and ask the Lord to uphold them with joy and perseverance as they provide essential pastoral and administrative care for over 200 mission personnel around the world. Give thanks for new mission partners and enquirers coming through, and pray for wisdom as the team help them discern where and how they might serve long or short-term.

MON 31 Crosslinks is served by the steadfast, behind-the-scenes ministry of the Board of Trustees. Praise the Lord for the cheerfully willing service of Tim Houghton (Chair), Gabriel Chiu, Chris Howles, Nick Jones, Deborah Kelly, David Mills, Greg Obong-Oshotse, Kate Randle, James Steer, Rod Thomas, Mark Walkington, Vicky Widdows (Deputy Chair), Joel Edwards and Nick Winther. Ask the Lord to uphold them as they give up their time, energy and wisdom to maintain the gospel priorities and direction of Crosslinks' ministry.

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