

**Steve and Lorraine Emery-Wright – Korea – PH Day 22**

Please pray for:

- Steve and Lorraine and others going through the stationing process as we seek to discern what God's will is for our future;
- Steve, who will teach a homiletics course at the Methodist Theological University in Seoul next semester (March 2018);
- an advance in peace talks between the Republic of Korea and Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

We give thanks for:

- the 1st birthday of our English language multi-cultural service on 26th November 2017. We ask that God will continue to guide us in the direction it should unfold.

**Julia Edwards – Papua New Guinea – PH Day 23**

Please pray for:

- my work with the development unit of the United Church in Papua New Guinea

- the Golden Jubilee 50th Anniversary Celebrations of the United Church of Papua New Guinea. The actual date is 19th January, but there is a week-long regional programme of activities culminating on Sunday, 21st January with a National Commemoration Service in Port Moresby.

**Barry and Gillian Sloan – Germany – PH Day 26**

Please pray for:

- INSPIRE, the Fresh Expression project in Chemnitz that Gillian and I are leading.
- Pray that the new volunteer and full-time workers will settle in quickly and be blessed and be a blessing in their ministries with INSPIRE and InspireKids.

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**Methodists for World Mission**

**An update to the Prayer Handbook supporting our mission partners working across the world and in Britain**

Please use with the Prayer Handbook (PH) – the days are highlighted - and copy for wider circulation and in church newsletters. Both paper and electronic copies are available. The inspiring texts of prayer letters and the WCR Monthly Bulletin 'World Church News' are available by email or post.

**World Church Partners working in the U.K.**

We pray for all who leave their homes to share in the mission and ministry of the church.

**Mission partners on leave – Please check dates and availability with the World Church Relationships (WCR) Team**

Email: [wcr.admin@methodistchurch.org.uk](mailto:wcr.admin@methodistchurch.org.uk)

Mission Partners	Country	Leave dates
Revd Tim McQuiban	Italy	On Sabbatical
<b>New Appointments:</b>		
Rev Freddie & Dee Takavarasha	Uganda	From Sept 2017
Mrs Anne Baldwin	TBC	
Deacon Angleena Keiser	Israel/Palestine	

**Conference 2018 1st – 3rd June**  
The Hays Conference Centre  
Swanwick

**'Africa — Gospel and Culture'**  
Bookings: [info@mwmbookings.org.uk](mailto:info@mwmbookings.org.uk)

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## Mission Partners Prayer Concerns

### Michael, Joanna, Joelle and Janelle Tettey – Benin – PH Day 3

Please pray for:

- the Benin Methodist Church (EPMB) that has been undergoing many changes. The church was divided for nearly 15 years until last year when the two sides were reconciled with the help of the Head of State of the Republic. As a result, the management structure of the church has changed in order to have representations from both sides - with a new President of Conference and Church Management elected in June 2017. Please pray for the unity of the church to be cemented and that the church will be truly united;
- the church's hospital – Polyclinic Bon Samaritan (PBS) - has also appointed a new Director and has future plans of electing a new management committee in February 2018;
- positive development to be seen in both institutions as they seek to meet the needs of God's people and that the Peace of God will reign over both EPMB and PBS. Prayers in abundance are needed for wisdom, patience, endurance and a spirit of Godly partnership for the new management of the church and the hospital.

### Keith and Ida Waddell – Zambia – PH Day 7

We give thanks to God for:

- all that has been achieved to extend the Kingdom in the past year in our schools, hospitals and clinics;
- the growth seen in the development of infrastructure, staff and pupils;
- the successful operations and healing of patients.

Please pray for:

- The United Church of Zambia (UCZ) Synod Headquarters staff as they meet needs and capacity-build in the areas of Ministry, so that the Gospel is shared and the Mission of God undertaken;
- the Schools and hospitals with their staff, pupils, and patients;
- Zambia as she accepts refugees from DRC and Burundi and especially for the UCZ Clinic at Maheba which has poor infrastructure, an increasing catchment and only one nurse.

### Jenny Featherstone – Zambia – PH Day 7

Please pray:

- for the project in Kandabwe that it will flourish;
- that our bid for a second allocation of sponsored training in 2018 will be successful;
- that our houses will be finished and ready to rent in 2018.

Items for Praise:

- the completion of the wall around the new college site;
- the inclusion of Chodort in the TEVTA programme in 2017;
- the positive relationship with Bread for the World;
- the visits of Rev Nixon, Bunmi and Norah.

### Sharon and John Harbottle - Haiti - PH Day 13

Please pray for:

- the Implementation of the 10 year plan for Health for EMH (Methodist Church of Haiti);
- the continued 'Planning of the Empowerment of Women' in the church project to be run by the Department for Christian Education in 2018;
- the feeding of 2000 children over four sites and giving of Christmas presents to those who would have nothing;
- joy and peace in the festival of Christmas (here only 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>) and the concerts on those days.

### John Howard – Israel/Palestine – PH Day 15

Please pray for:

- the wide range of work undertaken by the Liaison Office at a time of comings and goings while John has been ill, John's UMC colleague Kristen is spending an extended time in the States for rest and recuperation and Angleena Keizer has been

volunteering at the office and "holding the fort";

- John, to continue to have a good recovery and return to full health after surgery in the U.K.;
- support and encouragement to the Nassar Family of the "Tent of Nations," after a disappointing and unjust ruling from the Israeli Supreme Court;
- the review process within the Church of Scotland, with whom we work closely, looking at the range of work undertaken by the Church of Scotland in the Holy Land, including in Jerusalem, Tiberias and Jaffa.

### Angleena Keizer – Israel/Palestine – PH Day 15

Please pray for:

- the peace of Jerusalem and the people of the Holy land this Christmas. There is not peace at this time where the Prince of Peace was born in Bethlehem;
- all those living under 'occupation' for the daily struggles they face;
- those who seek to respond in non violent ways and for those who feel they have no choice but to respond with violence;
- peace, hope and joy for two nations and three faiths represented in Israel/Palestine.

May the church bells ring once again not in demonstration but as we celebrate Emmanuel God with us.