

Mission Partners in Transit - PH Day 31 Sharon and John Harbottle

We pray:

- For Haiti where another spike in COVID-19 figures has risen and for where there is little oxygen available in hospitals.
- For their homes and schools where spacing is difficult.
- For us, who like others in Britain, have suffered delays in treatment.

We give thanks:

- For our vaccinations, the testing and information being gathered in Britain to inform other nations who are unable to do the detailed analysis which is done routinely here.

MWM Conference 2022

Save the date now! 9/12/2022 - 11/12/2022

VENUE:The Hayes Conference Centre,

The theme will be peace and reconciliation with special reference to Israel and Palestine

South Western Conference 2021

“Encountering Diversity in Mission – Building Bridges in Rome”

DATE: 17/9/2021 - 19/9/2021

VENUE: Ammerdown Centre, Nr Bath, BA3 5SW

more information from Audrey Standhaft aud.standhaft@outlook.com
(please note this conference is now full for residential)

Northern Conference 2021

“Setting the Oppressed Free: Modern Slavery and People Trafficking”

DATE: 29/10/2021 - 31/10/2021

VENUE: Rydal Hall, Ambleside, Cumbria, LA22 9LX

Bookings and more information from Alan Cunningham: alan@neast.org.uk

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Prayer requests for Autumn 2021 should reach Irene by 16th August 2021 via email to prayerandcare@mwm.org.uk



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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 as well as further information in prayer letters and on the Global Relationships pages on the Methodist Church in Britain website <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-worldwide/global-relationships>. Contact the Global Relationships team or MWM if you need support to access further information.

Prayers for all who have experienced sadness and loss.

Pray for the Global Relationships Team:

Conrad Hicks: Director

Barry Sloan: Partnership Coordinator for Europe

Olubunmi Olayisade: Partnership Coordinator for Africa

Sandra Lopez: Partnership Coordinator of Latin America and the Caribbean

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Andy Dye: Programme Team Leader

Catherine Hickey: Programme Team Officer: People2People

Simon Bennett: Administrator; **Natalie Hastings:** Administrator

Trudi Awuku: World Mission Fund Officer

Liddy Buswell and Meg Haslam: Global Church Youth Reps

Pray for World Church Partners working in the U.K. - all who leave their homes to share in the mission and ministry of the church here in Britain.

COVID-19 has impacted on us all and this affirms our precious gift of prayer that we offer to each other both near and far.

Pray for all our partner churches across the world, where COVID-19 and climate disasters have added further challenges and distress to severely disadvantaged communities.

Regional Conferences 2021 and MWM Conference 2022

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Mission Partners Prayer Concerns and Requests

Lord Jesus you sent your disciples into all the world to baptise and proclaim your Kingdom. Bless all who leave their home to share your love in distant places and guide them day by day in their service of you. Amen

- Please pray for the Climate Justice for All team of young people from Britain, Fiji, Italy, Zambia and Uruguay, that they may be encouraged in this important work and raising up the voice of Methodists around the world for action on Climate change.
- Myanmar – The situation is being referred to by persons in Myanmar as a ‘civil war’. The Global Relationships team have been sharing updates on twitter (@world_parish) for prayer that Methodists, Pastors, families and children, including the Methodist Chair of District in the Chin province had to flee into the forest for safety from Government troops. They are still hiding out and there are reports of attacks on church buildings. The cases of COVID in Myanmar are rising rapidly; Wesley Hospital and the Myanmar Theological College are locked down and there is little or no vaccination in the country.
- COVID vaccine inequality – this is a huge issue and we must pray that the leaders of rich nations will really make an effort to do something about this.

We pray for all our Mission Partners, whether or not they have sent in specific prayer request. Please use the Prayer Handbook for details.

Michael and Joanna Tettey and family – Benin/Togo – PH Day 3

Hans & Mary Van Den Corput, Marcel & Maurice – Nigeria – PH Day 5

Freddy & Dee Takavarasha – South Africa – PH Day 6

Jonathan & Isabel Hill – Zimbabwe – PH Day 7

Keith & Ida Waddell - Zambia - PH Day 7

We give thanks for the 288,000 AZ COVID-19 vaccine doses and the 100,000 doses of Sinopharm which Zambia has received. We give thanks too for the health personnel who have rolled-out the vaccination programme; bless and protect them. Pray for those who from a sense of resentment, pride and arrogance believe false reports and refuse to be vaccinated.

Pray for Zambia, lacking resources and its less developed Health infrastructure that the impact of COVID-19 will be limited. Give the authorities wisdom in implementing preventative measures. Pray that vaccine inequality is addressed and the more developed world loves its less developed

neighbours as itself.

Pray for a free, fair and peaceful election campaign as Zambia goes to the polls on 12 August for Presidential Parliamentary and Local Council elections.

Pray for us, now we are back working remotely from Mwandia. Using e-mail, Zoom and WhatsApp to do our work again. Numbers are increasing at an alarming rate in Lusaka as we go into our third wave. With the vaccines we have so far received 140,000 have received their first dose. They have reserved the other half to give the same people their second dose because we do not know when we will receive our next Covax consignment. WHO is ominously quiet!

Claire Smithson - Kenya - PH Day 8

Angleena Keizer - Israel/Palestine - PH Day 15

Please pray for:

- rebuilding of communities where there has been civil unrest in recent conflict
- the new Israeli government.
- Palestinian Authority vaccinating program
- rest for myself as I spend time on furlough and with family and friends.

Eden Fletcher - Hong Kong - PH Day 20

Sheila Norris - Japan - PH Day 21

Barry and Gillian Sloan – United Methodist Church in Germany – PH Day 26

Mathew Lafferty - Italy - PH Day 30

Daniel and Grace Pratt Morris-Chapman, Kwame, John, Anna and Catherine – Italy – PH Day 30

We thank God:

- That the children have been able to attend school throughout the year. We pray that they will continue to flourish in the Italian school system and that we will also find a way to help them with their English writing skills at home.
- That the church has been able to stay open throughout the last year. We pray that we will continue to find new ways of witnessing and also of sharing fellowship with each other.
- For the work of the Italian Federation of Protestant Churches and for Grace’s intercultural role in its Sunday School Magazine. We pray that all those who use the material produced will be blessed and that young people, from many different countries and backgrounds, will know the love of God - wherever (and however) they have come from.

Fiona Kendall - Italy - PH Day 30

We give thanks for the deeply moving and challenging commitment of all engaged in the life giving support of migrants and refugees.

We pray for all who experience life changing trauma as migrants and refugees in this continuing deeply distressing area of major injustice.