

needed to buy another car as ours is off the road.'

**22 PORTUGAL, Sines - Rogério & Sónia Ramos:** 'The church in Sines in the last month has grown in the number of visits to our Sunday services. Sometimes we have a full church. At the moment we are facing problems of space for all of them. We have seen a spiritual growth in our youth and children. Pray for the Sunday school teachers and Josemar who now also seeks to have more time to be with the young people and also help them in their spiritual growth.'

**23 ROMANIA, Târgu Mureş - Sándor & Napsugár Kelemen:** 'We are thankful that the children's club continues to be a wonderful opportunity for outreach. We are able to share the gospel with new children and parents every month. The puppet show (including the Christmas story and the gospel) was a great success in December. We continue to receive encouraging feedback on the radio ministry. Praise God for it!'

**24 SPAIN, Alcázar de San Juan - José Moreno Berrocal & Virtudes Merlo:** 'There are a number of entirely new people coming along to our Sunday meetings ever since the special Christmas services on 18th December. Among them: Diego, Miguel Ángel, Ester and Dolo. Pray that the Lord will bring them to Himself through His Word.'

**25 NORWAY, Bryne - Martin Hjellvik:** 'Pray for a man who has been with us for a year. He is seeking God, but struggles to believe and pray. He is now in prison but he still calls me, and we keep in touch. Pray for another elder in our church. I'm the only elder as of now. Pray for numerical growth and sanctification, that we will grow in our love for Jesus and our neighbour. Pray for opportunities to preach the gospel.'

**26 GREECE, Ioannina - Leonidas & Irene Kollaros:** 'February is a month of exams for our university students and consequently they are very busy with their studies. Nevertheless, they attend Sunday service and the Saturday evening students' meeting. We have decided to include teenagers in this meeting and it seems to work well so far.'

**27 GREECE, Volos - Evropi Tzelis:** 'Two men, Kostas & Miltos, bring heating oil to my house and have done so for many years. I have often spoken to them about the gospel. The last time they came we got engaged again in conversation. Talking about my deteriorating health, one of them said, in a pensive mood, "We all know there is life and also there is death." I reversed that and said, "For me there is death, and then there is eternal life." And I went on once more to explain my hope in Christ my Saviour. Please, remember them in prayer.'

**28 GREECE, Thessaloniki - Antonis & Viki Topaloglou:** 'Our goal is through different methods to reach the lost sheep. Already there is a list with names of people that we have met and we are praying for them. Pray for this semester as teams will come to help us to hold outreach, that God will add to our numbers faithful people willing to grow in faith.'

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# Prayer Diary



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*'[Daniel] got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.'* Daniel 6:10

**1 UK, HQ - Mission Director, Andrew Birch:** 'We're currently helping six students from our EMF Training Fund: Andrea Becciolini (Italy), Andrea Festa (Italy), Bruno Pires (Portugal), Carlos Velarde (Spain), Hugo Azevedo (Portugal), and João Cid (Portugal). Three of them (Andrea Festa, Bruno, and João) are due to finish their studies in the summer. Please pray for them all.'

**2 GERMANY, Utzenfeld - Tim & Deb Brooks:** 'Give thanks that Deb's health cover is at last in some sort of order and it is hoped to get Tom onto the same insurance. Also Tom is still taking the new medication and we pray that it will be effective. Give thanks that Peter & Elisabeth seem to appreciate coming to our Bible Study. Please pray that they benefit from the studies and want to know more.'

**3 ITALY, San Lazzaro - Michael & Mary Steedman:** 'Please continue to pray for our online Bible Studies with various contacts. We are particularly encouraged by the progress Claudia has made in understanding the way of salvation. We are also glad to report that the older couple, Susanna and Claudio, who had not been able to meet with us for several months due to family commitments, are now back with us and we hope to continue meeting weekly. Pray also for Cristiano, Maddalena and Maria Elena.'

**4 FRANCE, Marseille - Richard & Barbara:** 'The large island community here, and elsewhere in the diaspora, generally does not mix much with others. Pray the Lord of the harvest to send workers into this harvest field. May islanders come into meaningful contact with true Christians; may churches and Christians be motivated to share with their island neighbours. Pray that we may be able to persevere in our regular visits to island homes. Pray also that we might be open to fresh ways of making the same message known in these homes.'

**5 POLAND, Żywiec - Dawid & Agnieszka Koziot:** 'Please pray for Kasia, a lady from our congregation who is friends with the foster family of Kacper, a boy who recently died of cancer. Kasia still has contacts with his siblings. Please pray that she will have opportunities to share the gospel with them. Please pray for the technical acceptance of the new building. We have a problem with the gas installation and its reception by the fire brigade. A small change is needed, which must be done by the installer. This means delays and additional work with documentation.'

**6 SPAIN, Madrid - José & Anna De Segovia:** 'Could you pray for my recovery? Surgery has been harder than expected and I am feeling more pain than the other nine times. Thank you! You can pray also for the ministry of my elder, David Casado.'

- 7 FRANCE, Carcassonne - Tony & Barbara Hynes:** 'Praise God for the four Ukrainian adults and the four children who are regular members of the congregation, Sunday school and youth group. Pray for their protection and good integration into the church and the ungody society of southern France.'
- 8 UK, Hungarian Reformed Church London - István & Tünde Salánki:** 'Our 75th church anniversary is on 12th March. A book and digital publication is being prepared for the occasion with video interviews of our congregation. The deadline is pressing and work on the printed book must be completed by early February. This is mainly Tunde's responsibility, please pray that she may be able to finish it in time and that it would be a great testimony of the Lord's faithfulness over many decades.'
- 9 SWITZERLAND, Sion - André & Marianne Rentmeister:** 'Thank the Lord that our Christmas Market went well, with good weather, not too cold and without snow. We had new opportunities to speak to people and testify of the Christian faith: We distributed about 350 "Good Seed Calendars" and literature in 30 languages, and have sold some books, namely for children. Some good contacts were made. Pray with us, that the Lord in his mercy may raise up that seed for his glory.'
- 10 SPAIN, Ciudad Real - Luis Cano & Pilar Herrera:** 'We have received 10,000 copies of small booklets about Jesus and we are going to use them to evangelise. I want to get as many people as possible from the church to distribute the booklets in each house in the town. So please, pray that many will accept it, read it and be touched by God to seek Him.'
- 11 BELGIUM, De Panne - Michael & Ariëtte Robinson:** 'We pray that the Lord would give us openings to reach young families with children, especially families who live in De Panne. We pray for the Lord's wisdom as we have to deal with one or two individuals who can have quite a disruptive presence on occasions within the fellowship. We pray for grace and strength for Rebecca (aged 39) who is struggling with her health at the moment and is expecting a seventh child. We pray that Andy, her husband, would be converted. We pray for grace and strength for some of our elderly people who are struggling with their health.'
- 12 ITALY, Budrio - Stefano & Jenny Mariotti:** 'We are grateful to the Lord for a new Christian extended family from Budrio who are gradually getting involved in the life of the church. It is an encouragement to us to have them. We would love to see them settle and help strengthen the work. We are starting the Pastoral Epistles on Sundays with a view to appointing other elders and deacons. We thank God in particular for N and M who are preparing and studying in this direction and pray for the discernment of the church.'
- 13 FRANCE, Paris - Romuald Lasnes:** 'I am discussing with a church in Paris that might be willing to be my sending church. I would value your prayers for them and me as we will consider this future possibility.'
- 14 PORTUGAL, Margem Sul, Lisbon - Diego & Stella Lopes:** 'Pray that we find a bigger and proper place for our church to meet; pray for the beginning of the second semester in our seminary, pray for the students and their ministries; Pray for our conference for pastors and church leaders in April, pray that the Lord will impact Portugal with leaders "with their eyes set on the gospel".'
- 15 POLAND, Siedlce - Adam & Dagmara Urban:** 'I have started to visit all the members at their homes in the first quarter of the year. My purpose is to listen to the answers to some important questions that will help me to know and understand our members better. Hopefully the questions will also stir up their thinking about important matters. Please pray for edifying, fruitful and revealing conversations.'
- 16 ROMANIA, Boghis - Benjamin & Debora Pap:** 'We will hold evangelistic weeks in February in all the churches (Boghis and Simleu). Please pray for these occasions, that Christ may be lifted up and a lot of people may repent and believe. Please pray for the pastors, who will preach the Gospel and also for the people who will listen.'
- 17 CZECH REPUBLIC, Nové Město nad Metují - Jan & Lucie Hábl:** 'We are in the middle of the presidential election process at the moment. Recently, we had the first round which selected two final candidates. In two weeks we will vote again to decide the president. The last time I asked for prayers for God's help concerning my vision for church planting and now, this month, while I still need God's help for that, I shall also write a church planting project document to present the project to anyone who could be interested in it. Please pray that I might write this document as clearly and appealing as possible.'
- 18 GREECE, Patra - Evangelos & Georgia Sikoutris:** 'Please pray for the backslider Makis to come back to our church and under the sound of the gospel. Continue paying for Antonia who is doing the last two lessons of our Bible course by correspondence to come to a saving knowledge of our Saviour. She expressed recently her desire to visit our church and our services.'
- 19 POLAND, Włocławek - Krzysztof & Aneta Rutkowsky:** 'Our congregation will have an annual church meeting on 19th February. Please pray that we may be encouraged by what God has done for us in 2022 and His guidance in 2023 as we seek to strengthen our fellowship and our testimony. There are more people getting involved in publishing Grudem's *Systematic Theology*. We hope to have a second translator to speed up the work and also have someone to edit both translations.'
- 20 PORTUGAL, Faro - Joel & Talita Lopes:** 'This month we will start our second semester at the Martin Bucer seminary. Please pray for the students and the professors. My mother went through serious pneumonia. Now she is better, at home, but still feeling very weak. Please pray for her total recovery.'
- 21 UK - T & L:** 'Pray for our local church to remain strong in the middle of the changes that are happening. Pray for our health as we've all been dealing with different things. Pray for our ongoing work and witness. Pray for wisdom for the care of T's parents. Pray for the funds thing is - one of them is a pro-Russian, immoral businessman, an oligarch, one of the richest men in the country and who used to work for the secret police. The other candidate is a relatively good man of good moral character. It is a really crucial election. Please pray with us.'