

travelling alone. Pray that we may be able to sort out all the necessary paperwork etc so that she has no problems.'

24 ITALY, Peschici - Antonio & Anna De Noia:

'Please pray for a new family who have begun to attend the church in Vico del Gargano - Stefano, Stefania and their daughter, Damaris. Please also pray for the literature table outreach carried out every Saturday afternoon in the main square in Peschici, and for the new contacts that have been made as a result of this work.'

25 ROMANIA, Târgu Mures - Sándor & Napsugár Kelemen:

'We greatly need the Lord's renewing work among our churches and more devoted workers in his harvest. Please remember the church in Târgu Mures, which is our main church, Idrifaia, Cinta, Iernut and Magherani churches.'

26 GREECE, Ioannina - Leonidas & Irene Kollaros:

'Please pray for all those who have accepted a copy of the New Testament in the central square during our outreach. I try to encourage such people to come back to us and share with us their impressions of reading God's Word. The rationale behind that suggestion is that we may establish closer contact with people who are searching for truth and some kind of meaning in life. Ultimately, we want to invite them to the meetings of our church so that they can have a better opportunity to hear the gospel.'

27 SPAIN, Ciudad Real - Luis Cano & Pilar Herrera:

'We thank God for a young lad who is going to be baptised. He is the third generation since the church was formed. Please pray for the occasion that many people may come to his baptism and hear the gospel preached. The women and men's meetings have restarted again after the break in the

summer. Please pray for these meetings that God may use them for the salvation of many and the growth of the Christians.'

28 BELGIUM, De Panne - Michael & Ariëtte Robinson:

'Pray that the Lord will continue to shape some of our young people (Benjamin, Fine, Lucas and Rebecca) to take on more responsibility in the church over time. Please pray for Wendy who has backslidden and started a relationship with an unbelieving man who is 20 years older. We haven't seen her in church for several months now and the whole situation is particularly distressing for her parents, who are active church members.'

29 POLAND, Siedlce - Adam & Dagmara Urban:

'Pray that God will send us new leaders for the future of the church in Siedlce, and church plants in Łuków and (possibly) in Biała Podlaska. Please pray that Dagmara would pass her driving test before Adam's deputation in November.'

30 GREECE, Athens - Stathis & Ruth Yfantidis:

'Pray for Ruth as the number of Covid cases has started to increase again. During the summer the ICU was back to 'normal' (Suicide attempts, surgeries, etc), and now it will be transformed to Covid ICU again. Pray for the older folks of the church as their health problems are increasing. May God give us wisdom to best attend to their needs.'

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Prayer Diary



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'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will give him some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, with a new name written on the stone that no one knows except the one who receives it.'

(Revelation 2 v 17)

1 UK, HQ - Mission Director, Andrew Birch:

'Pray for Romuald Lasnes as he begins his journey as an EMF missionary. Romuald will be serving alongside pastor Keith Butler in a church in La Garenne-Colombes, a suburb in the north-west of Paris, studying, learning, getting experience, evangelising, discipling, preaching, etc. Pray that the Lord will really use Romuald.'

2 CZECH REPUBLIC, Nové Město and Metují - Jan & Lucy Hábl:

'My public lecture season has just started and I will have plenty of opportunities to speak to teachers. Again, I will do my best to smuggle Christian principles into the content of my lectures.'

3 UK, HQ - Church Partnership Coordinator, Martin Tatham:

'I'm planning to spend much of September travelling around the north-west of England, encouraging churches in their involvement with the work of the gospel in Europe. Please pray for good engagements with churches, which will strengthen the work of the gospel.'

4 NORWAY, Sørreisa - John & Oline Taylor:

John recently went into hospital to have his heart looked at to see if he had a tight valve and if it was functioning properly. Please continue to pray for his health at this time. 'There are meetings starting up now after the summer

holiday. We hope for a more usual season this winter.'

5 UK, HQ - Northern Ireland Representative, Phil Dunn:

'I am thankful for a growing number of bookings for deputation meetings in churches across NI for the incoming autumn season. Please pray that these opportunities would result in many people having a greater zeal for Christ's glory, love for the lost, and support for our missionaries. Pray too for more openings to serve local churches here - especially those that have not had any engagement with EMF in the past.'

6 GERMANY, Utzenfeld - Tim & Deb Brooks:

'Give thanks that we have had some encouraging Christian visitors. Please continue to pray for Tom, if he does not go back to school in September because of his health, we do not know what his position will be about further education.'

7 POLAND, Włocławek - Krzysztof & Aneta Rutkowsky:

'We are looking forward to the beginning of September when our fellowship goes back to normal after the summer holidays. We are planning to have a church meeting to discuss some matters this month, the most important thing will be renting a new place for our fellowship.'

- 8 ITALY, Peschici - Antonio & Anna De Noia:** 'During the last 18 months, we have had many problems due to Covid. Thankfully, over the last few months, we have been able to meet up again in person for worship services both in Peschici and Vico, whilst at the same time respecting the health protocols. Please pray for the testimony in Peschici and Vico, and for me that the Lord may give me the strength and health to continue to witness for Him.'
- 9 BELGIUM, De Panne - Michael & Ariëtte Robinson:** 'We thank the Lord for a refreshing two-week holiday in Germany where we were able to 'recharge our batteries'. Please pray for wisdom for us as we try to restore some measure of harmony within the fellowship. The 'Covid-era' has been a very difficult period for our church in De Panne. Pray that more and more people will return to church as the restrictions gradually ease.'
- 10 GREECE, Volos - Evropi Tzelis:** 'I request prayer regarding several problems I am still facing. I cannot share details but some disappointments I have experienced recently have proved a great trial to me. Please also pray for my health problems.'
- 11 SPAIN, Alcázar de San Juan - José & Virtudes Moreno Berrocal:** 'Please continue to pray for Cristina, Jesus and Maria (a couple), Elena and her family, and Angelines. They are all seeking the Lord at this time. Some of them may have already been brought to faith in Christ.'
- 12 UK, Hungarian Reformed Church in London - István & Tünde Salánki:** 'In September we are hoping to organise larger events. On 12th September, we will have Andrew Birch preaching for us, morning and evening. The morning service will mark the 20th anniversary of our ministry here. Both services will be a start of year service for the Sunday School when we especially pray for the children and their teachers in the coming academic year.'
- 13 GREECE, Athens - Stathis & Ruth Yfantidis:** 'Please continue to pray for God's wisdom as we have just started the youth group again after the summer break. Pray for Mike, my partner this past year, as he will be going to serve his mandatory time in the army. The army time is extremely challenging spiritually, with many temptations, many discouragements, and many times of loneliness. This will be for 9 or 12 months.'
- 14 FRANCE, Marseille - Richard & Barbara:** 'One of the families we visit regularly came to our home recently for a BBQ. They all seemed to enjoy the occasion. It was a good opportunity to strengthen the friendship. Another of our families will be coming for a BBQ soon. Please pray that these events may strengthen friendships for the progress of the gospel. We also plan a picnic soon with Emile, Emily and their son. We hope to be able to read some more of John with them on this occasion. Please pray that spiritual eyes may be opened to see who Jesus is and that prejudices may be removed.'
- 15 ROMANIA, Târgu Mures - Sándor & Napsugár Kelemen:** 'We are grateful for the Lord's protection and blessing over the tent camp we had at the end of July. It was a great opportunity for witnessing because we had at least 10 young people who were not from a Christian background and at least 5 who had never been with us to any camp. We intend to organise a follow up meeting with them on 18th September and try to involve those who study in the city of Târgu Mures into our youth work. Please pray for these.'
- 16 SWITZERLAND, Sion - André & Marianne Rentmeister:** 'Please pray with us for two families we know from Afghanistan. They are going through dark days and fears for their families left behind. May our testimony of Christian love and compassion open the doors for deeper discussions about our faith in the Lord Jesus. Please pray for our church: we need to resolve some difficulties between vaccinated people (as we are) and others who are against the vaccination. May the Lord give wisdom to us all and bring us back to unity and respect and real fellowship.'
- 17 UK - T & L:** 'Thank God for the answer to prayer for the hearing in August. The final adoption hearing is on 17th September. Please pray there will be no further delays and we will be granted full parental rights on the day. Also, that all the paperwork which will need to be filled after the hearing will be straightforward.'
- 18 UK, HQ - Mission Director, Andrew Birch:** 'September is when most seminaries and Bible colleges start their academic year. This year we'll be helping (from our Training Fund) Bruno, at the Portuguese Bible Institute, Marcos, at London Seminary, and probably one or two other London Seminary students. Pray for a direct link between our Training Fund and new gospel workers for Europe.'
- 19 UK, Hungarian Reformed Church in London - István & Tünde Salánki:** 'On 19th September, we are going to welcome three new people into membership, who have been taking catechism classes for the past tumultuous year. Please also continue to pray for new musicians to come forward as the need is great. We are also short of Sunday School teachers, may the Lord raise up people to this ministry too.'
- 20 UKRAINE, Ternopil - Volodia & Oksana Kostyshyn:** 'This month, the sensory room equipment will arrive. We pray delivery and customs clearance will be done without complications and after installation, it will work as a helpful tool in our ministry to people with disabilities. There are a couple of ladies in the fellowship who have been struggling with cancer for years now. Their condition is getting worse and we need love, patience and wisdom in meeting their needs. We are also about to recommence our church midweek meetings via Zoom. It is to encourage the church people in book reading and prayers. Hopefully, it won't seriously affect those who participate and we can see some new faces as well.'
- 21 CZECH REPUBLIC, Nové Město and Metují - Jan & Lucy Hábl:** 'Two new people have started to attend our church, a couple in their fifties, very nice people. It is great in such a small congregation as ours (about 50). We are grateful for them. We as a family are doing quite well. Lucy still has issues with her sight, but it is clear now her eye will not get any better. However, she can live and function.'
- 22 ITALY, Forlì - Michael & Mary Steedman:** 'August is a 'holiday month' for most Italians, with not much going on outside the resorts. We're looking forward to starting up our online Bible studies with students, ex-students and other friends in September. We have recommenced studies with one couple from Bologna (Susanna and Claudio) and we hope they will start coming to church in the near future. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to break through into the lives of all these friends.'
- 23 GERMANY, Utzenfeld - Tim & Deb Brooks:** 'Please pray for Esther, at the end of the month she will be flying to the UK for a wedding celebration. This will be the first time she has flown and will be