Prayerline

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PEOPLE IN FOCUS EVENT - This Saturday, 24th September, a special mission event is being held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast at 7.30pm.

Those taking part will include: Alan and Tracey Johnston (Italy); Naomi Keefe (Brazil); and Peter Lockwood (Nepal): Steve Anderson (Spain): Rosie Kennedy Romania) and Gareth Hutchinson (Romania). Interviews will be led by Paul Clark and worship by Karen Campbell.

- Pray that many people will come along to the event to hear more about what God is doing in His world.
- · Pray too for those taking part on the evening as they prepare for the event.

Everyone is welcome to come along to the event.

For more information go to www.presbyterianireland.org or contact the Mission Department.

SPAIN - This weekend, Derek French is leading a GBU Mini Camp in Cantabria. The focus of this camp will be to encourage the students in their leadership roles, helping them to define their roles and to encourage them in getting involved in evangelism.

· Pray for the mini-camp, that it will be an encouraging and challenging time for the students as they begin the academic year.

HUNGARY, ROMANIA, & UKRAINE - PCI partners with Districts of the Hungarian Reformed Church in Romania, Sub-Carthpathia (Ukraine), and Hungary itself. Most members in Romania and Ukraine are ethnic Hungarians.

- Pray for the churches, as they seek to advance God's Kingdom in Eastern Europe.
- Pray for God's wisdom and guidance in developing and strengthening PCI's links with the Hungarian Reformed Church.

KENYA - Naomi Leremore sends the following prayer requests:

- · Pray for the Theological Education by Extension (TEE) team involved in producing a certificate course for children., which Naomi is a member of. Pray especially for Lucy, James and Celestina who are new to the team.
- · Pray too for the completion of the revised edition of the Child Rights and Advocacy book.

Gary and Mary Reid write, "Three airls ran to PCEA Acacia Grove Mission seeking help. Two had never been to school but were having to shepherd the flocks, and the other had been removed from school due to poverty, and believed that she was at risk from FGM.

The parents/ quardians of the children came to the Mission and, after some discussion, agreed that they would support the girls in school. They also agreed to signing the government agreement forms regarding the protection of the girls."

- · Give thanks that the families of the girls were co-operative, that they were willing to support the girls in school, and that they have also agreed that they will not subject them to FGM or early marriage.
- Pray that as families come to the Mission when girls and boys seek refuge here, that God will grant us all at the Mission His wisdom and that He will be glorified through all that they say and do.
- · Pray for the believers in Olkinyei that they, along with Gary and Mary, will know our Lord leading and guiding them as they seek to be His witnesses and reach out to others, in Jesus' Name.
- Continue to pray that God's Holy Spirit will work in the hearts and lives of the Maasai, that the Gospel will not be veiled, and that the minds of unbelievers will no longer be blinded.

Stephen Cowan reports, "Despite the added work which people have during the dry season in obtaining water for animals and grass for the calves, there was a good attendance at the monthly Bible teaching time this week in Tuum. The new iServe Africa Mission apprentices are involved in the preaching of the Bible expositions, and are finding it challenging to relate the Word of God to people who have a different cultural mindset."

- · Pray for the ongoing work in the villages as people meet to learn about Jesus. David Okiki will live part of the time to Wuaso Rongai, and be able to encourage the small fellowship there.
- · Pray for the evangelistic outreach starting this evening (21st) in the villages near Leserikan, where there has been a PCEA fellowship for over 20 years.
- · Pray for ongoing practical work, including the completion of a water tower and a new dorm before the next youth camps in December.



 Pray for the Cowan family: for Angelina Cowan as she returns to Tuum after five weeks away helping their daughter Caragh adjust to a gap year in N. Ireland, and pray too for Stephen and Angelina as they visit their other children, Jason and Annissa this weekend who are at boarding school in Kenya.

MALAWI - Government primary schools have begun their new term in Malawi and Bible clubs in schools have also restarted. This Saturday, (24th), Scripture Union of Malawi will be running a training day for Bible club teachers in Lilongwe. As well as training on how to run a Bible club, teachers will be given audio Bibles to use as part of the club activities.

- Pray for teachers as they begin a new academic year and for their pupils as they continue to learn in the school environment.
- Pray for Bible clubs as they get in the weekly routine of meeting, that many girls and boys will come to know Jesus and grow in Him.
- Pray for the training on Saturday as teachers are reminded of their duties as Bible club teachers, and
 that they will find audio Bibles useful as they share the good news of the gospel.

Janine Keys and Heather Clements members of First Limavady congregation are travelling to Blantyre, Malawi this Friday, (23rd) for a ten-day visit to Ndirande CCAP congregation. They will be involved in orphan care, Sunday School and famine relief work within the congregation.

 Pray for travel, health and stamina for Janine and Heather, and for opportunities for them to support and help the congregation in Ndirande in practical ways.

SAT-7 – SAT-7 has become the first Arabic Christian channel to stream live on Facebook. Viewers have responded enthusiastically to the new service, which enables them to participate in live church services and other events as part of an online community.

A viewer from Egypt posted on Facebook: "Wow, what a great ministry to be able to watch the live streaming on mobile devices. God bless you. Please pray for me a lot." The live Facebook broadcasts attracted 96,000 views and 28,000 audience responses in July.

 Give thanks for the opportunities created by social media to share Christian content. Pray that the live Facebook streaming will help isolated believers and seekers to connect with God and each other.

Civil war in Yemen has left more than 80% of the population in need of humanitarian aid, but people there are still hungry for God's Word. SAT-7 received this request from a man in Yemen: "May God bless you all. We don't have Sunday school in Yemen. We would like you to help us with Biblical materials so that we can teach a group of children believers in Yemen." SAT-7's viewer support team in Lebanon sent him nine Bible story books including Noah, Moses, Jonah, the prodigal son and Jesus calming the storm, plus colouring books featuring biblical characters. SAT-7 sends out scores of such resources to viewers every month.

 Pray that the materials will arrive safely and will help this group of children in Yemen to grow in their Christian faith.

FEBA - As followers of Jesus Christ, Feba enable partners and communities to use life-giving media for lasting transformation in various countries around the world.

India

- Give thanks for Feba India's several projects which seek to empower women and girls. Thank God in
 particular for the project in West Bengal. This supports women trapped in the sex trade and works to
 prevent others from being drawn into trafficking exploitation.
- Thank God for a successful listeners' conference this summer. Pray that the listeners who attended
 will make steps in their faith as a result, and that the programme production team will know and draw
 strength from this, and will usefully use listeners' insights to shape their programmes.

Egypt

- The Voice of Egypt project has recently moved to a new studio which is located nearer to other ministries. Pray that this will encourage the team and enable closer networking with other Christian workers.
- Listeners can now contact the station through several social media channels. Give thanks for the
 greater opportunities for relationships between listeners and team members to develop.
- The team has spent almost ten years 'building bridges' with the local community. Pray for them as
 they seek to deepen their engagement with listeners discussing and answering significant spiritual
 questions.

