

praying in **mission**

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Welcome... to the latest edition of CMSI's prayer diary.

This booklet includes short, daily prayer prompts covering the breadth of CMSI's work and the work of our partners.

Thank you for investing in this work through your prayers.

As you use the diary, be encouraged that you do so in the company of hundreds of members of CMSI's global family uniting in prayer each day enabling us all to participate in living out the living light of Christ.

We would also encourage you to make regular use of the following **CMSI Prayer** - perhaps on Sundays.

CMSI Prayer

May the God of Light shine brightly on the CMSI family, bringing blessing to - and through - staff, volunteers, members, mission personnel and Global Partners.

May the God of Life bring hope and renewal to those living in despair, in the places where CMSI's partners work.

May the God of Love bring healing and transformation to churches and individuals in Ireland, as they encounter God afresh and engage in his work of mission.

May the God of Peace and Justice reign in our world until we see the Kingdom come, on earth, as in heaven.

Amen.

September

CMSI FAMILY

Staff

Tu 1. Pray for Megan and her family today as she juggles busy work preparations for our annual Ignite Conference, alongside her oldest daughter settling into Primary 1.

KENYA

We 2. Pray for the Kenyan churches as they remember the Gen-Z protests in 2024, when 60 citizens lost their lives and hundreds were injured. As they stand with those still carrying the pain and memories of that time, pray that the Government will listen to their concerns in future.

Kajiado Diocese

Th 3. Pray for Kajiado Diocese as the 2026 El Niño weather event is predicted to bring drought and hotter conditions, threatening livestock & causing stress for the Maasai cattle herders, followed by the potential for flooding during the October–December short-rains season.

Tujisaide Self-Help Group

Fr 4. Please pray for the students and teachers of the Tujisaide Primary School, preparing for national examinations in October, and for the grade 6 students, whose results will enable their transition to a Junior Secondary School next year.



Sa 5. Please pray for the elderly members of Tujisaide in a group called Gacūcū (Little Grandmothers), all over 70 years of age, with the eldest now 103 years old. Give thanks for a well-wisher who provides them with an essential food parcel every month.

Image: Pupils from Tujisaide Junior Secondary School

GENERAL PRAYERS

Su 6. "The church is Christ's body and is filled by Christ. He fills everything in every way." Ephesians 1.22-23. Give thanks for the global church, in all its rich variety.

NEPAL

Mo 7. Despite the dynamic growth of churches in Nepal since 1951, Christians still only make up about 1.76% of the population, while more than 81% of people identify as Hindu. Pray for tolerance and collaboration between faiths in an era of division and tension.

SD Church & SDSS

Tu 8. Pray for BJ as she prepares to launch a new YouTube podcast called "The Voice that wasn't heard" focussing on the experiences of many people with disabilities. A pilot of 15 stories has attracted 288 subscribers and more than 12,000 views.



We 9. Ask the Lord to bless the SD Church Construction Project. Due to the recent Middle East war, the rising cost of construction materials imported from China and India has meant the cost of the project has also increased significantly.

Human Development and Community Services

Th 10. Give thanks for HDCS Executive Director Kapil Sharma's visit to Northern Ireland in the summer. Pray for all the connections he made in Newry and St Brigid's, Glengormley, that they will bear fruit in continuing partnership.

Human Development and Community Services

Fr. 11 Give thanks for the funding from Misean Cara to improve the health status of the Lamjung area through comprehensive prevention and treatment of Non-Communicable Diseases. Pray for Hemanta Shrestha and his staff at Namuna Community Hospital as they implement this project.

GENERAL PRAYERS

Events

Sa 12. As day guests join us for our annual **Ignite Conference**, please pray for all attendees. Pray that as we engage with our global church family, everyone would deeply encounter God and be inspired by what He is doing around the world.

Su 13. CMSI wants to inspire a new generation in missional discipleship. Pray for the children who were part of the kids programme at Ignite yesterday and pray for Parishes and Sunday Schools who engage with our children's resources.

RWANDA

Mo 14. Hold before God the pig rearing project in the Missionary Diocese of Karongi, generously funded by the Bishops' Appeal. May the Lord bless Bishop Jean Pierre Methode Rukundo and his team of 6 newly ordained clergy - there are only 6 parishes in this brand-new area for evangelism.

Shyogwe Diocese

Tu 15. Intercede for Rev Sarah Uwayezu and catechist Jean Claude Bitunguhari at Muhororo parish. Bless their ministry teaching women new farming techniques to combat hunger & climate change and forming self-help groups, and for the renovation of the church roof.

Shyogwe Diocese

We 16. Pray for Rev Prosper Karasira and the church at Runda parish. Despite ongoing church closure due to Government restrictions, they have strengthened cell groups' fellowship, set up a programme of home visitation & online services, leading to the baptism of 12 new Christians.

Kibungo Diocese

Th 17. Pray for Rev Jean Claude Gatera of Nyagatovu parish which is unfortunately closed due to Government restrictions. The Diocese has been upgrading it and they are now waiting to see if the Government will allow it to be re-opened, along with Kigina, Musaza & Ruhinga parishes.



Fr 18. Pray for Bishop Emmanuel as St Peter's Cathedral, Kibungo has also to be replaced by a bigger building following new Govt regulations. With all the work needed on the parish churches Bishop Emmanuel doesn't know how they will manage to do this.

GENERAL PRAYERS

Resources & initiatives

Sa 19. Please join us in praying for the CMSI Leadership Team as they oversee the recruitment process for two new staff roles within the organization. Pray for divine guidance and the right candidates to apply; for workload management and for existing staff during this time of transition and change.

CMSI FAMILY

Trustees

Su 20. For Protection and Balance: Many CMSI Trustees balance their governance responsibilities alongside demanding professional careers, family life, and local parish commitments. Pray for their physical health, mental resilience, and that God would grant them a healthy balance and protection from burnout.

Image: The upgraded Nyagatovu Church

DR CONGO

Mo 21. In spite of the crisis of Ebola and conflict we thank God that the church continues to serve the vulnerable, and points people to faith. Pray for God to strengthen his servants, that they might not grow weary.

North Kivu Diocese

Tu. 22. Butembo is again receiving many displaced people because the number of rural attacks has continued to increase. Pray for peace, and for resilience for a church hard pressed on every side.

We 23. "We are living in fear because Ebola has erupted in our region. Every day leaders are announcing new cases. We should pray for this." Bishop Isesomo

Bukavu Diocese

Th 24. The process of electing a Bishop for Lac Tanganyika Diocese is almost complete. Pray for the two people whose names have gone forward, and for the House of Bishops as they prayerfully consider who will be Bishop of Uvira.

Fri 25. Proposed changes to the constitution of the nation are causing a great deal of concern and 'may bring chaos'. Pray for the church's voice to be heard.

CMSI FAMILY

Staff

Sa 26. Linda asks for prayer as CMSI moves into a further time of change, with plans in place to appoint two new staff members. Pray for the whole staff team and our processes as we adjust.

DR CONGO

Kindu Diocese

Su 27. Bishop Masimango tells us the Diocese is focusing on evangelism and church planting in Kibombo and Kindu. Pray for those who teach, preach and pastor, and for resources for temporary shelters for new churches.

Kindu Diocese

Mo 28. Like many others, Bishop Masimango is not able to see his wider family because of the dangers of travel within DRC at present. Pray for him and Mama Naomie; for good health, safety and wisdom to use Diocesan resources effectively.

Goma Diocese

Tu 29. Rev Innocent describes the planting of churches in Goma Diocese: "In the midst of fear, loss, and uncertainty, the preaching of the Word of God restored dignity, meaning, and hope to people whose lives had been shattered by war." Let us pray, as God moves.

We 30. Some families displaced into Goma last year have been able to return home, but the trauma remains, especially for children and women. Pray that God will truly heal these deep wounds.



October

CMSI MISSION PARTNERS

Staff

Th 1. Pray for wonderful quality time for Joanne and Andrew as they gather with family in Scotland for a birthday celebration.

UGANDA

Luweero Diocese

Fr 2. Pray for Bishop Kisekka, the Diocesan staff, and all parish priests as they shepherd the flock. Ask that God would grant them vision, administrative wisdom, and spiritual stamina to lead the Diocese through times of transition and growth.

Image: New Parish Life in Kibumba, Goma

CMSI FAMILY

Isabelle Prodzynski

Sa 3. Thank God for Emma Glenn, who visited the Tujisaidie School and Tumaini in July. She was a blessing to all who met her, and she also helped Isabelle to spend a few lovely days sightseeing with her.

Su 4. Please pray for Isabelle, as she works to finalise a major application to Misean Cara, for the construction and equipment of the new Tujisaidie Junior Secondary School, to be built in 2027.

IRELAND

All Nations Ministries

Mo 5. Pray for ANM as they continue their vital, hands-on ministry to newcomer communities, refugees, and asylum seekers in North Belfast. Their ministry is offering practical support, social integration, language assistance, and a warm, Christ-centred welcome to those who have fled conflict, hardship, or persecution.

Children in Uganda

Tu 6. The Children in Uganda Legacy Fund is dedicated to providing long-term, sustainable support for vulnerable children, ensuring they have access to quality education, safe healthcare, and secure futures. Pray for Linda and Gillian as they administer this.

GENERAL PRAYERS

Events

We 7. Please join us in celebrating and praying for the CMSI Prayer Room as it restarts its regular gatherings following the summer break. Pray that God would stir the hearts of staff, supporters, and members to prioritise this time of intercession.

UGANDA

Th 8. With one of the youngest populations in the world, pray for Uganda's children and youth. Pray for access to quality education, safe environments to grow up in, and the creation of meaningful employment opportunities for school and university leavers.

Madi West Nile Diocese

Fr 9. Pray for Bishop Andaku Collins and his team, especially those involved in radio and social media outreach.

Sa 10. Pray for the care of refugees which is more important than ever as international aid has been so shockingly reduced. Many in camps no longer have enough of food, health care or education.

CMSI FAMILY

Short-Term Experience Placements

Su 11. Pray for Philip and Lesley Burton as they embark on a significant six-week mission placement in Nepal, serving alongside SD Church. Pray that God would orchestrate specific moments, conversations, and tasks where Philip and Lesley's unique gifts can meet the needs of the local ministry.

PROVINCE OF ALEXANDRIA

Mo 12. Today we remember St. Raphael School and Menara School, both examples of the Egyptian church's outreach to people in the margins. Pray for the Sudanese children who live as refugees around St. Raphael School and for the children with special needs served by Menara.

Tu 13. The Theological education provided through Alexandria School of Theology, Cairo, is equipping the church in Egypt, North Africa and Sudan! Pray for Principal Shady Mouneer Anis as he leads with wisdom.

BURUNDI

We 14. Give thanks for the outstanding performance of footballer Nestory Irankunda at the FIFA world cup as he represented Australia, scoring against Turkey. Nestory's parents are Burundian refugees who relocated to Australia when he was 3 months old. Give thanks for this story of hope.



CMSI FAMILY

Staff

Th 15. Pray for Roger as he travels to Dublin to a 3-day training event with Misean Cara Mission then on to the Cashel, Ferns & Ossory Synod. Pray for safe travel and strengthened relationships.

BURUNDI

Gitega Diocese

Fr 16. As Ebola continues to claim lives in DR Congo pray for Busuma Congolese Refugee camp in Gitega that God would protect the 66,000 refugees and surrounding communities from any outbreak.

Sa 17. Remember Bishop Aime Joseph, Ven. Victor Ndayambaje & the Busuma camp chaplains, who are doing a tremendous job in providing spiritual care, counselling and psychological support to the refugees. As their ministry is demanding, please keep them in your prayers.

GENERAL PRAYERS

Su 18. CMSI always aims to equip the church in Ireland through the missional links we foster. Pray especially today for our mission link parishes who support us so faithfully, that we will also be an encouragement to them.

BURUNDI

Matana Diocese

Mo 19. Pray for Revd Yvette Ndayirukiye, President of Gitega Mothers' Union. Ask the Lord to bless them as they tackle Gender-based Violence, assisting women to get education and micro-finance loans so they don't have to depend on men for income.

Matana Diocese

Tu 20. Pray for ways to counteract the exodus of young people from the Diocese to the city due to unemployment. Intercede for the Technical School which provides training in Carpentry/Building/Electrical Engineering skills and pray for job creation through income-generating cooperatives.

CMSI FAMILY

Short-Term Experience Placements

We 21. Pray for Canon Dr Maurice Elliott, Director of the Church of Ireland Theological Institute, as he prepares for and undertakes a teaching placement in the Diocese of Kondoa, Tanzania. Pray that the theological insights he shares would deeply resonate with the realities, opportunities, and cultural context of the students.

PROVINCE OF ALEXANDRIA

Th 22. Gambella Diocese has a huge vision for a school which they have started in faith, under a tree. Pray for wise leadership, resources for the next step and for faithful teaching of the children.

Fr 23. The medical outreach of the Diocese of Egypt has a wide reach in Menouf and Sadat City. Pray for growing opportunities for CMSI to engage and support this ministry.

CMSI FAMILY

Staff

Sa 24. Join us in lifting up our Finance Coordinator, Anne Buckley, as she enters the busiest and most intense seasons of the year: preparing the organisation's financial records for the annual end-of-year audit. Pray for sharp focus and clarity, freedom from stress, smooth logistics and communication.



GENERAL PRAYERS

Su 25. During the harvest season, the staff team are busy with Sunday speaking engagements. Pray for God's empowering as they engage with congregations across the island of Ireland.

SOUTH SUDAN

Mo 26. As general elections are expected in South Sudan in December please concentrate your prayers on peaceful, free and fair proceedings for this nation.

Ibba Diocese

Tu 27. Bishop Wilson updates us on the Vocational Training College: "An envisioning exercise was carried out and all agreed that the VTC should be called "IBBA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY". We have enough land offered by the Community, some lecturers already trained. We invite prayers for the process."

We 28. Sustainability through income generating projects is key for long term development of the Diocese. Pray for success for teak growing, coffee planting and poultry raising projects.

Maridi Diocese

Th 29. Bishop Moses says "Please lift up our community as we work to facilitate peace dialogue and provide relief to former armed group members who are returning to civilian life and seeking to re-establish themselves with their families. Pray for hearts to be softened, for a genuine and lasting reconciliation, and for the practical resources needed."

Fri 30. Pray for the successful renovation of Maridi Cathedral in preparation for the upcoming 10th Diocesan Synod.

CMSI FAMILY

CMSI Teams

Sa 31. Pray for the Interfaith Pilgrimage Team as they prepare to travel to Egypt. This journey represents a profound commitment to building bridges, cross-cultural and interfaith understanding, and walking together in faith and goodwill in a complex world.

November

CMSI LOCAL MISSION PARTNERS

Su 1. Bishop Hassan, Sudan: "Pray for new believers, that the Lord will preserve them in faith and continue their journey with Him. Pray for stability in Sudan, stopping the war and bringing peace. Pray for the church and its mission in the midst of destruction and bleeding all the time." Bishop Hassan.

CMSI FAMILY

Short-Term Experience Placement

Mo 2. Pray for Bishop Andrew Forster (Diocese of Derry & Raphoe) as he travels to Kondoa to reciprocate the visit of Bishop Given to Derry/Londonderry earlier this year. May the Lord use this visit to strengthen bonds of fellowship and mutual support.

TANZANIA

Tu 3. As we approach Advent we reflect on the Archbishop of Tanzania Most Rev. Dr Maimbo Mndolwa's challenge to recognise that Jesus was once a refugee in Egypt: "Let's come together as Anglicans.... enabling refugees and displaced people today to have lives of dignity and hope."

Kondoa

We 4. Give thanks for progress made on the Kondoa Diocesan Offices completing works on the roof. Praise God for the tremendous financial & prayer support from their partner Diocese in Derry & Raphoe.



Image: Bishops Given Gaula (Kondoa) and Andrew Forster (Derry & Raphoe) with Anne and Linda on a visit to the CMSI Belfast Office.

Kondoa Dicoese

Th 5. Pray also for the programme of theological education for clergy in the Bible School. Pastors come from both Christian and Muslim backgrounds, and the Diocese aims to be a builder of peace between the two faith communities.

CMSI LOCAL MISSION PARTNERS

Fr 6. Pray for CMSI as we move forward with Asia CMS to consider how best to support a new local mission partner.

CMSI FAMILY

The Guinness Family

Sa 7. Pray for wisdom, cultural sensitivity, and deep relationships for the family as they teach, mentor, and advocate for mission mobilization. Pray for the right doors to open and for divine connections with local leaders who share this vision.

Su 8. Pray for the physical health, emotional resilience, and spiritual protection of the entire Guinness family. Pray that their home would be a sanctuary of peace and joy, and that their children would thrive in their environment.



Image: The Guinness Family

CMSI MISSION PARTNERS

Quills, South Sudan

Mo 9. Please pray that God guides and equips Joanne and Andrew as they make preparations to return to Ibba in S. Sudan.

Tu 10. As their link visits draw to a close, please pray for a time of refreshment for Andrew and Joanne, and for clarity regarding the date of their return to Ibba.

GENERAL PRAYERS

Resources & initiatives

Wed 11. Pray for the new role being established in our office team to support fresh ways to disseminate the children's resource, youth resources and parish activities, so that we can serve parishes in Ireland and help to equip more people for missional living.

Th 12. We are coming into the final year of our strategic plan next year, prayerfully seek God's vision with us; for his inspiration for the missional development and Kingdom effectiveness of CMSI in the years ahead.

Fr 13. Thank God for parishes and individuals who generously support CMSI Mission resource fund, enabling the staff team to commit themselves to Global Partnership development and building missional confidence in parishes in Ireland.

CMSI FAMILY

Staff

Sa 14. We pray for Gillian that through her guidance, many will confidently step into their global calling, well-prepared, culturally sensitive, and deeply rooted in God's love. May the outflow of her administrative and pastoral care be felt in communities across the world.

GENERAL PRAYERS

Su 15. "I lift my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." (Psalm 121: 1-2). As people gather in churches around the world today, may our eyes be fixed on God.

SOUTH SUDAN

Olo Diocese

Mo 16. Olo Diocese needs infrastructural development, pray for Bishop Tandema and his team as they seek resources and work hard to bring progress to this community still settling back home after a long displacement.

Tu 17. Pray for Kenneth and Flower at Olo Diocesan Clinic. Their ministry is key to the wellbeing of the church community and beyond. Pray for healing for those who seek help, and safe deliveries for Mums and babies.

Yei Diocese

We 18. Bishop Levi's planned evangelism and encouragement visit to refugee camps in DRC was cancelled recently, due to the Ebola outbreak. Pray for South Sudanese Christians in camps in Congo as they face challenges and long for connection with home.

Th 19. Pray for Rev. Nelson and the ongoing development of the coffee project in Yei as he travels to the Archdeaconries to help them set their nursery beds for upcoming plantations.

Ezo Diocese

Fr 20. Pray for clergy and pastors in Ezo. Bishop Isaac brings them together regularly for personal spiritual development and prayers for each other. Ask that God will bless their ministries with new believers and growing disciples.

Sa 21. Ezo Diocese recently developed an exciting and ambitious strategic plan, pray for the resources and expertise required to take the Diocese forward into the plans God has for their part in his mission.

CMSI MISSION PARTNERS

Quills, South Sudan

Su 22. Please join us in prayer for the Quills Commissioning Service taking place today at Christ Church, Primacy. This is a significant milestone as Rev Andrew and Joanne are formally set apart, blessed, and re-commissioned in ministry to lead, serve, and impact lives in South Sudan.

CMSI LOCAL MISSION PARTNERS

Mo 23. We give thanks for the ministry of Seme Peter and Save Life Ministries in Koboko, N. Uganda. Pray for their team as they establish community development projects and carry out evangelism in neighbouring DR Congo. Pray that people will be won and discipled for Christ.

Tu 24. Please pray for Toti Jacob as he ministers to the physical, psychological and spiritual needs of individuals and families in the Kyangwali Refugee Settlement in western Uganda. Pray his ministry brings holistic healing, comfort and the hope of Christ to those who have lost so much.



Image: Toti Jacob & Semi Peter

ZAMBIA

St John's Seminary, Kitwe

We 25. Pray for Ordinands who are finishing their training this year, that God clarifies exactly where and how they are to serve after graduation—whether in rural church planting, urban ministry, chaplaincy, or specialized community work

Th 26. As students at St John's Seminary prepare to lead communities on the front lines of faith, pray for protection against discouragement, temptation, and spiritual apathy. Pray for physical strength, mental health support, and emotional resilience to finish their courses well without burning out.

CMSI FAMILY

Trustees

Fri 27. Pray that the Holy Spirit grants CMSI's Trustees exceptional wisdom as they make high-level decisions regarding organisational strategy, resource allocation, and global partnership developments.

Sa 28. Pray for a profound sense of unity, mutual respect, and clarity among the Trustees of CMSI. Ask that their diverse skills—whether in pastoral care, finance, law, or administration—would blend harmoniously to strengthen the organisation.

GENERAL PRAYERS

Su 29. Today let us pray for the worldwide church and agencies supporting mission through evangelism, discipleship, compassion, social justice and environmental stewardship.

CMSI FAMILY

CMSI Stars

Mo 30. Pray that God continues to ignite a passion within our members and supporters for the global church. Ask that they are continually inspired by the stories of resilience, faith, and transformation coming from our overseas partners.



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