

missionmatters

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www.happychild.org

Happy Child International (Brazil)



Prayer points:

- Give thanks and praise for a new financial partnership in Recife which will help with running costs for the boys home there
- Give thanks for missionaries Ricardo and Rachel Dias Cyrino and their family in Recife. Pray for their well being, new home and work
- Pray for all the boys in the Recife home, especially the future of 7-year-old Flavio who is an orphan and was abandoned.
- Pray for Sarah's upcoming trip to Brazil in March with her husband John Roach and a group of Happy Child supporters
- Pray for the leadership of Belo Horizonte and Operational Manager Amauri. Pray for all the staff and the work they do
- Pray for the UK office and its remit in 2010 - 4 staff plus new volunteer Chris Nancarrow from St Mary's.
- Pray for Sarah's leadership as CEO, for team unity, and for the funds needed to support the work in Brazil and planning for Angola

www.kampalachildren.com

Kampala Children's Centre (Uganda)



Prayer points:

- Pray for protection over the children at KCC as one side of the site is still open to the public road and pray for boundary fencing
- Destiny Africa Choir is preparing to come to the UK for another tour later this spring. Please pray for all the plans and visas
- February sees the start of the new school year. Please pray for teaching staff and for the pupils as they move to new classes and new children come into the school
- Pray for continuing good relationships with the local community
- Houses 8 and 9 need to be finished and a visitor house built
- Pray for the general health of all KCC staff and families
- Pray for strengthening and envisioning for Arnold and his busy schedule. Praise the Lord he has been healed of malaria.

www.soteriastrust.org.uk

Soteria Trust (Nigeria/UK)



Prayer points:

- Please pray for wisdom regarding the Soteria UK offices. They are trying to negotiate a new lease with an awkward landlord. Should they stay or go?
- Pray for the Soteria School in Nigeria, for funds to keep it going and develop it. Pray for guidance as to where to go for funding - trusts, churches and individuals?
- Pray for Soteria and Rev Andy Economides' UK itinerary (see website for individual events) plus overseas mission trips: Nigeria (8-20 April), Cyprus (10-16 May), Cameroon (11-22 June)
- Pray for Soteria's staff: Jana Stetinova (Administrator), Andy Economides (Evangelist), Roy Twaites (Finance one day/week)
- Pray for strength and vision for Andy as he continues to guide and lead Soteria Trust

www.churcharmy.org.uk

Phil Morrow (UK)



Church member Phil Morrow has been called to train with the Church Army to be an evangelist. He is in his third and final year.

Specific prayer points:

- Praise the Lord for good results. Pray for the last of his essays and then confirmation from York University that he has passed his degree. Phil wants to thank everyone for praying for him through the whole college process: 'I could not have done it without you all'
- Pray for Phil's final practical mission placement in Sheffield and his relationship with the leader there
- Pray for wisdom and discernment for his future and a job
- Pray for the remainder of his course year in the run up to his final commissioning and admitting services, God willing, in July

(website under construction)

B@titude (Leatherhead, UK)



B@titude is a Christian charity shop committed to loving and serving the community of north Leatherhead. Here they sell quality 'as new' clothes for babies and children, provide an area for coffee, as well as a small play area, and offer an environment for friendship and prayer.

Specific prayer points:

- Pray for all who work at, and visit, the shop. Pray for all the volunteers who give so much time and energy to this project and the families who are blessed by their work
- Pray that more people will come to know Jesus through the shop
- Pray for founder Jenny Moore whose husband died suddenly. She is stepping back for a while and shop partner Ruth Shepherd is taking on an extra day, as is Jenny's daughter, to cover Jenny in the shop



www.ijmuk.org / www.ijm.org

International Justice Mission (Global)



IJM is a Christian human rights organisation that secures justice for victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and violent oppression.

IJM Bangalore Pray for the team as they work to release adults and children from life as a slave in the brick kilns, rock quarries and salt mines. Ask for God's favour with officials, police and protection.

IJM Cambodia Praise God for the growing cooperation with law enforcement authorities as IJM does police training to build local capacity. Pray for the victims of sex trafficking, for IJM social workers who tend their long term needs and our faithful aftercare homes

IJM UK Thank God for new intern Eileen who serves in the office. Ask God to guide the UK team as they share the message of God's concern for people violently oppressed.

IJM: "Give thanks for IJM partner churches who are beacons of light in this land, especially for you all at St Mary's/L1FE."

www.gatewaysbeyond.org

Sandra Benko (Global)



Sandra is currently working with the Gateways Ministry, based in Cyprus. She has a heart for the nations and is currently serving in the area of communications.

Specific prayer points:

- Pray that Sandra continues to grow in discerning God's voice to know Him better and be able to minister more effectively
- Pray that God will move her forward and equip her further
- Pray for Sandra's outreach trip to Israel, 7 March-4 April. Pray that this is a time of practical ministry, serving and encouraging local congregations around the country. Pray that Sandra and the team would further understand God's heart for Israel and its people
- Pray for grace as Sandra shares a room/house with others.
- Pray for new, fresh words for Sandra to use in various communication projects to adequately express the great things God is doing in and among the Gateways team
- Pray for her immigration appointment next month in Cyprus

www.salvationarmy.org.uk

Salvation Army, Guildford



- Pray for the Guildford Salvation Army team who are leaving their building in late Feb/early March for a building refurbishment and are using the Methodist Church for their midweek community outreach programme and Sunday worship

- Pray that the building work will run smoothly and to time
- Pray that the midweek Community Programme will thrive in the alternative accommodation and that God will give clear direction regarding the appointment of a Community Worker to manage and develop the programme. Pray for finance to support this role

- Pray for the Drop In Centre and Food Crisis Centre.

- Pray for their experiment of a soup kitchen style initiative that can make a big difference on a cold night but is simple to run and does not require a large team

- Praise the Lord that he uses some of their guests at the Drop In to make the volunteers and staff more like Him

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