

prayerdiary



MONDAY 1

PRAY FOR UKRAINE:

The situation in Lviv is quieter now. The team ran a kids' day camp in mid-July with 58 kids and only a handful coming from church families. The neighbours' suspicion towards the church has dissipated, a positive outcome of the New Hope Center basement being used as an air raid shelter for the community! In Irpin, Stanislav and a team of volunteers continue to serve the hurting and damaged community sacrificially in many ways. Please pray that all would find time and space for holiday and relaxation, having not had any meaningful break since the war started.

*In you, Lord, I have
taken refuge... Be
my rock of refuge,
to which I can
always go; give the
command to save
me, for you are my
rock and my
fortress.*

Psalms 71:1,3

TUESDAY 2

ROMANIA: Gary and Ioana Stoll in Piatra Neamt

Please pray for our teenagers' camp taking place August 1-4 in Brasov. We have 25 teens coming along, with whom we will be exploring the 7 signs Jesus performed in John's Gospel. Please pray that we will have safe travels, good weather, lots of fun, and open hearts for the gospel.

WEDNESDAY 3

SPAIN: David and Samantha Gilkinson in Salou

Today August 3 we fly back to Northern Ireland with a team of 10 young people from the church here. For many of them this will be a first mission experience and we are excited for all that they will experience while serving within children and youth projects in Belfast alongside local churches. Please pray for us as we lead the team, and that God will use each of them and transform them over these 12 days.



THURSDAY 4

GERMANY: Martin and Anja Teubert in Ribnitz-Damgarten

Please pray for our vacation-bible club for kids that we plan for the first week of August in Ribnitz. A team from Southern Germany will join us and help.

FRIDAY 5

FINLAND: K. in Finland

Thank you for your prayers. My time in South-Finland went well, I continued checking the New Testament draft translation into Inari Saami, worked with Ukrainian refugees, helped at a scout camp and encouraged people about missional work at a summer conference. The work with Ukrainians was teaching Finnish and organizing outings for people, and it was good to see them relax after all they had experienced. Praise God for the opportunities to witness about the hope Christ gives.

SATURDAY 6

CROATIA: Stephen and Tabita Bell in Varaždin

Please pray for our family holiday. All our children: Joshua, Benjamin, Sheona and husband Jason fly in from Germany and Canada. As we start a new church year of ministry pray for people in Novi Marof, a nearby town, that as a church we can plant a dynamic church there and people would become Christians.

SUNDAY 7

KOSOVO: Gani and Adile Smolica in Peja

Praise God for a massive door to door evangelism for 5 days at the beginning of July, in the neighbouring area of our town. Hundreds of people got Christian literature. Please pray for positive response. In August we are planning to visit some of them again as they showed more interest in what we believe. The youth camp held for three days was another chance for young people of our church to know more about Jesus Christ. Pray with us that their parents get more interested in what the children hear and learn at our church.

MONDAY 8

SPAIN: Peter and Kate Knowlson in Peñarroya-Pueblonuevo

COVID has affected us all, clearly. One aspect for which I ask prayer is the loss of congregational participation. I have been trying to help a mission point of another church thirty km away. The local lay leadership all had to leave for different reasons and the rest have not responded to calls to meet together in their premises. Similarly, there are members of our congregation in Peñarroya who have stopped attending even online! Pray Hebrews 10:25 and John 10:3 please.

Peter and Kate
Knowlson
in



TUESDAY 9

GERMANY: Christiaan and Kseniya Kooiman in Schwerin

Please pray for M, a young Christian. She struggles a lot with her mental health. Please pray that God would take away her fears and that her faith can grow every day. Please pray also for another young Christian who just stopped smoking. Pray that God would help her to be strong in an environment where everyone is smoking.

Azuaga and
Peñarroya

WEDNESDAY 10

SPAIN: Edgar and Jane Álvarez in Madrid

Give thanks for a short 2-week home assignment based in Glasgow and Edinburgh. We were able to encourage mission partners in 2 churches. Also, for time for university preparation for Asier, our youngest and a few days family holiday. Pray for Edgar's dad in Cost Rica who hasn't been well.

THURSDAY 11

NEW ZEALAND: Féy Cotter, National Director

Pray for all our candidates as we work together through a support raising programme and as they begin to put into practice what they are learning and begin to raise support. Today, 11 August, I will be attending a 'Mitigate' Conference with other mission organisation leaders from across New Zealand, where we will focus on issues that have potential to harm our organisations and work on ways to mitigate that harm.

FRIDAY 12

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND: Jonathan and Nicola McCracken in Claremorris

We will be on Home Assignment for the month of August and hope to catch up with most of our supporters and our supporting churches in Northern Ireland. It has been 25 years since we joined ECM and we are thankful for God's faithfulness over these years. Pray for Andy and Rachel Millar as they oversee the work in Claremorris over this time and as visitor speakers come along on Sundays to the church.

SATURDAY 13

ITALY: Richard and Pinuccia Wilson in Rovereto

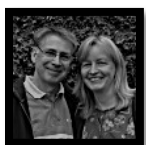
Give thanks for the opportunities to share about God's work through us while we are in Australia and pray for the last meetings and for our preparation to return to Italy at the end of August. Pray that we will be able to discern God's leading as we decide what ministries we should be involved in this year.

SUNDAY 14

NETHERLANDS: Roland and Carolien Smith in Maastricht

We invite you to join with us in praying for wisdom and to trust in the Lord as we plan for a hoped-for house move 2 hours north from Maastricht – more towards the centre of the country. One of the reasons on top is to be closer to Carolien's mother, who needs more care. Very few affordable houses are available for rent and about 40 people register for each one. Proverbs 3:5,6.

Roland and
Carolien Smith



in
Maastricht

MONDAY 15

PORTUGAL: Shane McGloin in Vila Real

Give thanks for our Holiday Bible Club during the first week of July. We had a very enjoyable week with about 20 children and teenagers. We will have our American and Irish teams with us in Vila Real from today, 15 -23 August. Please pray for fruitful ministry and strong leadership during these summer ministries.

TUESDAY 16

SLOVENIA: Sebastian and Gloria Forjan in Radovljica

In July we had two outreach camps, one for teenagers and one for kids. Praise God. Pray that God will bring growth to the seeds that were planted and especially for the protection against the enemy. Pray for our church that we will be refreshed during the summer holidays with His presence and through His word as we dig deeper to know him personally. Pray for our family that we will daily stand strong on the solid rock of Jesus.

WEDNESDAY 17

BRITAIN: Vidas and Rita Rimkiene in Gloucester

We are looking into starting a house community. Please pray for the building project. That we would have enough funds and with no major problems, to be completed by the end of September to be able to begin to gather and seek the Lord's will in this new venture.

THURSDAY 18

AUSTRIA: David and Linda James in Villach

We hosted around 25 neighbours at our Big Breakfast on July 30. Covid had prevented what had become an annual event. We have great friendships with our neighbours, please pray for greater openness to the Gospel. We so desire to see the Lord break into this group of friends.

FRIDAY 19

PORTUGAL: Steve and Lydia Cockram in Vila Nova de Gaia

In July we held a 3-day camp at home for our young people. We looked at identity, relationships and sexuality. Thank God for the way the young people interacted with the topics. Please pray that God would continue to guide them as they navigate these areas in their day to day lives, and us as we support, mentor, and help them to follow Christ.





SATURDAY 20

SLOVENIA: Sarah Deacon in Ljubljana

Give thanks for the good time we had at youth camp in July. There were about 30 of us including leaders and a mixture of Christians and non-Christians. Thank God for the good question times we had and the individual conversations that took place during the week. Please pray that the young people would be willing to apply what they have learnt to their lives.

SUNDAY 21

ROMANIA: Alexia C in Timisoara

For 3 months now, I am involved in a new ministry at Timisoara: Casa A.L.C., a place which welcomes people with cancer during the time they have treatment in different medical centres in Timisoara. We offer them accommodation during this time as well as emotional and spiritual support, for them and their families. We want this house to be a meeting place with God. Pray for each of them and for us as a team, God may be visible through us.

MONDAY 22

BULGERIA: Andrew and Kate Blackwell in Sofia

From today, 22-27 August, the Foundations course starts at DMG in Sinsheim. We have about 10 adults participating. Please pray that it goes well.

TUESDAY 23

PORTUGAL: Eberson and Madalena David in Montargil

Please continue to pray for Madalena's health, so that she has continuous improvements in the sciatic nerve. Pray for the salvation of lives in Montargil and Mora in Alentejo region.

WEDNESDAY 24

AUSTRALIA: Sam Boog, ECM Media and Promotions Officer

Pray that I would present the issues surrounding the gospel needs of Europe in a clear and engaging way. That the Lord would go before us and soften the hearts of pastors of local

churches, that ECM might be able to present the needs of Europe and that ECM would build a strong local profile.

THURSDAY 25

SPAIN: Abel and Rafi Nuño in Bañeras

Please continue to pray for Abel, who had a medical procedure last month, and for his recovery and a good outcome.

FRIDAY 26

BOSNIA: Radovan and Blazenka Trajkovski in Novi Travnik

Please pray for Church activity in the town of Bugojno – in Travnik Kanton. Pray for further work with youth – children and teenagers who participate in a Christian camp for the last eight days. Also pray for their parents, for bigger interest in visiting Sunday services. Pray for me personally as I fell and hurt my knee a while ago, and I am now in a lot of pain.

SATURDAY 27

AUSTRALIA: Daniel Barreca, ECM Mobiliser in Croydon

ECM Australia is holding an event today August 27 called Consider Europe, designed to make people aware of Europe as a Mission Field and to engage people to go as missionaries. As the Mobiliser in Sydney, I am praying for 3 missionary units a year to go with ECM to Europe. Pray for God's leading in this area.

SUNDAY 28

ITALY: Susanne Stoehr in Macherio

Praise God for a blessed memorial service for my dad and burial on 1 July. Praise God for his supernatural strength and protection on the many trips and services during furlough. Pray for the goodbye service today 28 August and all preparations for returning to Italy around the middle of September.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in Short term ministry in the future, we'd love to start the conversation with you. There are also lots of opportunities for supporting ministry in Europe.

**For more info:
Contact your nearest
ECM office for details.**

Wivenhoe	Colchester
Thorpe-le-Soken	Manningtree
Clacton	Mistley
	Wrabness
	Harwich Int
	Dovercourt
	Harwich Town

MONDAY 29

NEW ZEALAND: Féy Cotter, National Director

Today, August 29, I will be sharing in Liz and Alex' church (candidates for Romania) so please pray that I will communicate well.



TUESDAY 30

AUSTRALIA: Rod Bishop, Business Manager in Croydon

Please give thanks that our six year-long building redevelopment work at our main site in Sydney has now been completed. Pray that our property and buildings would be a blessing to those who stay or visit there.

FROM	PLAY	EXPECTED
10 STANSTED AIRPT	7	1400
9 BRISTOL	12	1402
8 CHRISTDSE	5	1413
9 STANSTED AIRPT	6	1416
6 CLACTON-ON-SEA	13	1416
4 NORICH	9	1424
10 STANSTED AIRPT	7	1430

WEDNESDAY 31

ECMI: Biennial Planning Team

The planning team's goal is a conference that encourages, inspires, motivates and refreshes our workers and strengthens the family bonds within the mission and with partners, supporters and volunteers. We are thankful for four new team members one of whom will lead the organisation of the kids work and one will lead the seminar sub-group, so God has answered your prayers about this. The most urgent issues at the moment are to find a speaker, a worship leader, leaders for two of the four kid's groups and to plan the seminar programme.



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