CEF OF BRITAIN

PRAYER CALENDAR—AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2020

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thessalonians 5:17, ESV



AUGUST '20

- 1. Ask God to bless and protect all workers, volunteers, and partners of CEF Great Britain during this COVID-19 pandemic. Pray that God's goodness would be made evident to all.
- 2. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)—Please pray as Simon preaches at a local church in Northern Ireland today, as well as on the 5th.
- 3. Claudine Uwizeye (Northeast England)— Although the Children's Ministry Leadership Course was not able to take place in June and July, please continue to pray for the students who applied for the course—that the Lord will keep their interest in getting training for children's ministry alive until the course is able to run, God willing, in Summer of 2021.
- **4. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)**—Pray for Simon and Hannah as they have a church deputation meeting today. Ask God to bless and provide.
- 5. Claudine Uwizeye (Northeast England)— Please pray for the 3-day online Holiday Bible Club that Claudine is running alongside a local church from Wednesday to Friday. Pray that the children and their families will come to know Christ and grow in Him and for the smooth running of technology during the club.
- 6. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)— Please pray that God would give Church Leaders and those involved in children's ministry wisdom regarding the immediate- and medium-term development of their children and youth ministry.
- 7. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)—Pray for the CEF Family, particularly the families and friends of workers, and especially those who are single, the vulnerable and elderly.
- **8. Lydia Hardesty (International Ministries)**—Ask God to open the door for Lydia to return to Scotland sometime this month.
- 9. David Cook (Chairman)— Pray for the family of Frances Furnell to be comforted in their loss as they grieve for Frances, a CEF pioneer worker in Eastern Europe from the 1970s-1990s, who was "called home" on 5 July.
- **10. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Pray for the parents who are seeking to lead their children to Christ, and for the children who have been saved during the lockdown.
- **11. Megan Stone (South Wales)** Pray for wisdom as Megan seeks employment which will accommodate her current children's club commitments, potential CEF Autumn online training and Children's Ministry Leadership Course (CMLC) next Summer.
- **12.** John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)—Please pray for the zoom meetings John and Martha have with two 11-year-old boys each Wednesday. Ask God to bless the teaching and that He would protect the time they spend together.
- **13. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—There are now have 24 children involved in the BibleTime Correspondence Course. As it's the summer holidays, please pray that children would have the desire to complete the monthly lessons.
- **14. David Cook (Chairman)** Pray that God will raise up National Directors for Britain to lead the growing ministry in England, Scotland and Wales.
- **15. Megan Stone (South Wales)** Praise God that children continue to hear the gospel in online Zoom meetings. Please pray that this time will be refreshing to their souls and seeds of faith will be sown in the hearts of the adults who listen in the background.

- **16.** Claudine Uwizeye (Northeast England)—Praise the Lord for the online weekly Good News Club that Claudine was able to run alongside a local church for 2 months of lockdown. It was such a special time of sharing the gospel with unchurched children in their own homes where the parents, who often were in the same room as the child, also heard the gospel.
- **17. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Ask God to bring children to participate in the Good News Club John and Martha have planned for the autumn.
- **18.** Lydia Hardesty (International Ministries)— Pray for Lydia a she anticipates her return to life and ministry in Scotland. Ask God to strengthen her heart during another transition and to use this time to bring her to greater knowledge of her Saviour.
- **19. Hannah and Simon Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)** Pray for different aspects of ministry being finalised as Hannah and Simon prepare to move to Scotland when the Lord opens the door.
- **20. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray that details about 5-Day Club (BibleZone) Online would become more widely known. Pray that many children will have permission and the technology to access it. (https://www.cefireland.com/onlineclub/)
- **21.** Ask God to raise up new volunteers and workers for the ministry of CEF Britain, even in these difficult days.
- **22. Viv Stringer (European Headquarters)**—Pray that God will continue to supply the needs of the European office in Switzerland and that we will be a blessing for the work in Europe.
- **23. Megan Stone (South Wales)**—Pray for wisdom, creativity and open hearts as online ministry continues, particularly in the children's Zoom meetings.
- **24. David Cook (Chairman)**—Praise God for recent new enquirers who wish to volunteer with or join CEF Britain. Pray that God will enable those enquiring to join the ministry to receive training to help them prepare to teach the Bible to boys and girls. Pray for the preparation in the coming weeks of an online foundation course to prepare recent enquirers and volunteers to be ready for gospel ministry.
- **25. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)**—Please pray for the schools in Scotland as they open. Pray specifically for the children who attended Bible clubs in the previous term.
- **26.** Pray that God would use this trial of COVID-19 to soften many hearts to hear and receive the Gospel.
- **27. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Please pray for continued time management success in managing business, home and ministry work.
- 28. David Cook (Chairman)—Praise God that the National Committee have completed their strategic plans for 2020-21. Pray that, as the workers complete their plans in the coming weeks, all will have patience and guidance from God to implement these plans in the coming months, in spite of disruption and delay due to the COVID-19.
- **29. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Please pray for those workers who are suffering from bereavement or illness.
- **30. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Steve and Rachel are preparing a mini course for teaching a Bible story to young children. Please pray for the completion of this over the summer.
- 31. David Cook (Chairman)— Praise God for the variety of new online opportunities for workers to reach children with the gospel and pray that these resources will enable boys and girls respond to the gospel and come to trust in Jesus as their Saviour.

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SEPTEMBER '20

- **1. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Please pray for continued health and energy for work and ministry.
- 2. David Cook (Chairman)—Pray for the National Committee as they meet online this morning (and also online in the afternoon of **September 9**th) to review and support the ministry of CEF throughout Britain during this challenging pandemic. Pray that they will know much wisdom and unity in their discussion and that God will direct their thoughts and plans.
- 3. Megan Stone (South Wales)—Pray that the children who hear the gospel continue to develop a loving relationship with our heavenly Father through reading their Bible and in their prayer lives.
- **4. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)**—Please pray for Hannah and Simon's future church deputation meetings. Praise God that things have opened up again safely and they are able to keep many of the dates they had previously scheduled.
- 5. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)—In September, schools will still need to avoid large gatherings such as Assemblies. Therefore, Assemblies will have to continue in smaller groups. Steve and Rachel have the opportunity to continue producing short Assembly videos that can be shown in these smaller groups. Please pray for God's help in producing these videos with appropriate Bible content.
- 6. Claudine Uwizeye (Northeast England)—Please pray as the team from CEF Britain work to put together and make available to churches a series of online courses, aiming to train and equip those interested in or already involved in children's ministry in their local church and surrounding community.
- 7. David Cook (Chairman)—Praise God for the variety of new online opportunities for workers to reach children with the gospel. Pray that these resources will enable boys and girls respond to the gospel and come to trust in Jesus as their Saviour.
- **8. Megan Stone (South Wales)**—Pray for wisdom as Megan considers the practicalities of face-to-face/ socially distant meetings with children over the next few months.
- **9. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Please pray for blessings and protection on the Meagher family, especially for the spiritual growth of their 3 sons.
- **10. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)**—Pray for wisdom for Simon and Hannah as they look into online ministry for children in Northern Ireland and Scotland.
- 11. David Cook (Chairman)—Pray for Megan (South Wales), Rebeca (St Alban's) and Priya (Watford) as they seek God to guide them in reaching girls and boys with the gospel. Megan and Rebeca hoped to have taken the CMLC in Romania this summer, but it was cancelled. Priya has applied to join CEF Britain and been interviewed by the National Committee. She needs to return home to Trinidad in the coming days and seek the Lord to guide her path to future ministry by giving her CEF experience and helping her to build her support team prior to returning the Britain in the future.
- **12. Megan Stone (South Wales)**—Ask God to guide Megan in continued community links through her children's work, particularly with growing and harvesting her garden produce. Thank God for His goodness.
- 13. Claudine Uwizeye (Northeast England)— Please pray that the Lord will open the door for term time ministry to restart in schools and churches, maybe even in a different way than what has happened in the past. Please pray that Claudine will be patient in waiting, adaptable, and resourceful with different ways of reaching the children in schools and the local community with the gospel.
- **14.** Eun Sook Geum (Northwest London)—Please pray that God will raise up some good and faithful younger people among Korean community in Britain as CEF workers.

- 15. David Cook (Chairman)— Pray for David as he contributes to meetings of the International Board of Trustees at CEF IHQ, Warrenton, Missouri for three days this week. It is probable that these meetings will be a mixture of face to face, with David and other international members joining online via Zoom. Pray for all to have godly wisdom, discernment and unity as they review and consider the way forward to strengthen CEF ministry around the world.
- **16.** Ask God to open doors for CEF to serve local churches as they seek to bring the Gospel to children and families in their communities.
- **17. Lydia Hardesty (International Ministries)**—Ask God to give wisdom to Lydia as she plans her future ministry in the UK and beyond.
- 18. Pray that God would use this trial of COVID-19 to soften many hearts to hear and receive the Gospel.
- **19. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)**—Pray for possible outdoor evangelism opportunities. These still may not be a possibility, but Simon and Hannah are looking to see if it can be done safely.
- **20. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Normally the Toddler Groups would be taking a summer break. Please pray for the online Bible stories that have been posted on Facebook and YouTube to be viewed. Pray for clear guidance from the 'Department for Education' about Toddler Groups opening.
- 21. David Cook (Chairman)— Continue to pray for God to raise up a National Director(s) to lead the work in Britain and that Stephen Garrett and David Cook will have wisdom to discern the Lord's leading in this matter and be led to meet the person(s) whom God is preparing for this task.
- **22. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Ask God to bless John and Martha as they plan a Christmas Puppet Show.
- 23. David Cook (Chairman)— Pray for the Zoom online meeting this afternoon with the GB Workers—that it would be a helpful time of sharing and encouragement as they review the ways they can continue to strengthen and develop ministry to boys and girls through creative ways online.
- **24**. **John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Ask God to guide John and Martha as they seek to make contacts, promote the work of CEF, and raise support for their ministry.
- **25. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Pray for wisdom for the CEF leaders and workers to know how to resume ministry activities as the lockdown restrictions are lifted.
- **26.** Please pray for God to provide for the ministry of CEF Great Britain during this time of economic uncertainty.
- 27. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)—Please pray for children who have moved into Secondary School earlier this month. Pray that they would soon settle into their new school, with new teachers and with Covid-19 restrictions still in place. Pray that they would soon make new friends, understand the new routine and feel safe.
- **28.** Ask God to encourage each CEF worker today, reminding them of His goodness and faithfulness.
- **29. David Cook (Chairman)**—Pray for the country leaders of the European region as they meet online this morning to hear from the Word of God, review, share and consider how they can support and encourage one another in reaching girls and boys with the gospel.
- **30.** Eun Sook Geum (Northwest London)— Please pray for Eun Sook to live by faith and that her prayer life will be stronger and deeper day by day. Pray also for her to manage time wisely.

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