## **CEF OF BRITAIN**

## PRAYER CALENDAR—APRIL AND MAY 2021

"And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him." -1 John 5:15 ESV



## APRIL '21

- 1. David Cook (Chairman)—Pray that God will raise up National Directors for Britain to lead the growing ministry in England, Scotland and Wales. 1st April. Pray also for David as he continues to work with the Succession Planning committee of the CEF International Board of Trustees this afternoon that they will continue to make good progress on discerning the way forward and seeking God's help to prepare to find future CEF leaders.
- 2. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)—Please pray for the weekly Bible stories that are recorded on the Bible Club TV You Tube channel. Pray that the children will continue to watch and that God, through his Word, would draw them to the Saviour.
- 3. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)—Please pray for the Easter packets and flyers being given out in Northern Ireland.
- **4. Eun Sook Geum (Southwest London)**—Please pray for Min Lee who is taking the TCE 1 course online—that she will catch a vision of reaching children with CEF.
- 5. David Cook (Chairman)—Continue to give thanks to God for more enquirers wishing to volunteer with or join CEF Britain. Pray for Izabela (Poland) as she considers the possibility of taking CMLC training this summer.
- **6. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Pray for Chris and Lynn as they seek to encourage and mentor people spiritually through regular video contacts.
- 7. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)—Please ask God to provide a home in Scotland for Hannah and Simon. This is the biggest need for them to move from Northern Ireland.
- 8. Pray for the CEF workers as they work toward resuming face-to-face ministry as restrictions are lifted. Ask God to give wisdom and to open doors for evangelism to children and families.
- 9. David Cook (Chairman)—Praise God that the National Committee have now approved both Megan (South Wales) and Priya (Watford) as candidates in training with CEF Britain.
- **10. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Ask God to give John and Martha wisdom as they manage their time and tasks each day.
- **11. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray for the CEF East London Committee as it meets each month. Pray for an understanding of the changing Covid restrictions, and their implications, as they are slowly lifted.
- **12.** Lydia Hardesty (European Region)—Please pray for Lydia as she participates in the Junior Youth Challenge Instructor Course alongside **Simon and Hannah**. Ask God to open their minds and hearts to learn, and to open doors for them to use the information they learn in a ministry context.
- 13. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)—Praise God that one pre-recorded Collective Worship presentation has been produced each month over the past year. Praise God for some very encouraging feedback and for one particular Head Teacher who passed it on to another Head Teacher.
- **14. David Cook (Chairman)**—Pray for **S**, from Egypt, whose vision is to reach Arabic speaking children and their families with the Gospel in the North of England, that his home country will complete their work to prepare to commend him as a cross-cultural missionary to Britain.

- **15. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Please pray for those workers who are suffering from bereavement or illness.
- **16. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Praise God for the online Good News Club that has started. Ask God to bless the five children who attend, and to draw them to Himself.
- 17. David Cook (Chairman)—Pray for those continuing the TCE 1 course, that all, including Megan, Sarah, Joanna and Sashti, will develop their understanding of reaching children with the Gospel of Jesus in their church communities. Ask God to open new CEF ministry opportunities in Britain.
- **18. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray for the CEF East London Committee as it meets each month. Pray for an understanding of the changing Covid restrictions, and their implications, as they are slowly lifted.
- 19. Hannah and Simon Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)—Please pray that Scotland would open enough for Simon and Hannah to visit and look at homes at the end of April or beginning of May.
- **20. David Cook (Chairman)**—Pray that the online Zoom meeting with the GB Workers this afternoon will give them encouragement to strengthen and develop their creative online ministry to boys and girls and wisdom as we consider the project to "Adopt a Country" in Europe.
- **21. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Praise God that the weekly Monday Club Mailing has been able to continue throughout the past year. Praise God that at least one mum continues to go through the Bible story and activity with her son.
- **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. David Cook (Chairman)—Pray for Liz from Switzerland who has applied to do CMLC training this summer and is praying to see if, how and where God is calling her to serve with CEF, whilst her husband Micha studies for an MA in Theology in South Wales.
- **24. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray for the five new children who have recently joined to really enjoy the stories and lessons.
- 25. Pray that God would use this trial of COVID-19 to soften many hearts to hear and receive the Gospel.
- **26. David Cook (Chairman)**—Praise God for those who have completed the online foundational "**Equip"** training course in January—that some are now taking the online TCE1, and some have been accepted to take the online CMLC in the summer. This is the beginning of answers to our Luke 10:2 prayers that the Lord of the harvest will send out workers into his harvest field, for which we praise God.
- 27. Lydia Hardesty (European Region)—Pray for Lydia as she works with Philip and Denise Annett to provide encouragement and resources for the national leaders across Europe. Ask God to give them wisdom and creativity as they work remotely.
- **28. David Cook (Chairman)**—Pray for wisdom, discernment and unity as the National Committee meets online this afternoon and again in one week's time.
- **29. Megan Stone (South Wales)**—Pray for the Lord to guide Megan as she looks to the future, hoping to join CEF after completing the time as a candidate in training.
- **30.** David Cook (Chairman)—Pray for God to encourage Henry Waters and the local committee members to seek God's help to raise up a team to continue the work in Tees Valley, in the North East of England.

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- Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)—Please pray for the CEF East London Committee as
  it meets this month and as decisions are made. Thank God for each member who freely
  gives of their time.
- **2. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Pray for the Meagher family—that their three sons would love and follow the Lord.
- 3. Ask God to bless the CEF International Conference all this week. Pray for those involved in speaking, organising and participating—that this would be a God-glorifying and encouraging way to connect with CEF workers around the world. https://www.cefonline.com/intlcon2021/
- 4. David Cook (Chairman)—Pray for God to encourage Henry Waters and the local committee members to seek God's help to raise up a team to continue the work in Tees Valley, in the North East England.
- 5. David Cook (Chairman)—Pray for wisdom, courage, discernment, creativity and unity for the National Committee as they meet online on this afternoon.
  Pray also for the International Board of Trustees as we meet, half in Warrenton and half on Zoom during mid-May, amongst other things, to continue the progress of implementing the recommendations of the Strategic Assessment in July 2020. Pray for Moises Esteves as CEF Executive Vice President as he works with the staff and committee to develop the strategic plans and as he assists Reese in the days ahead.
- 6. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)—Please pray for the Summer Ministry this year. Please pray for wisdom as Steve and Rachel seek to understand the implications of the gradual lifting of the Pandemic restrictions. Pray that for wisdom with what can be organized, with whom and where.
- 7. David Cook (Chairman)—Praise God for increasing online opportunities for workers to reach children with the gospel. Pray that the digital resources shared on the GB website will continue to enable boys and girls to be reached with the gospel.
- **8. Eun Sook Geum (Southwest London)**—Please pray for asylum seekers in Oasis International Church. Pray that they will get permission to stay in the UK soon and their families in Iran will be safe in the Lord.
- **9. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)**—Ask God to give Simon and Hannah wisdom as they make commitments for summer ministry.
- **10. John and Martha Meagher (Glasgow)**—Ask God to bless John and Martha's walk with the Lord—that they would grow in Him and bear fruit.
- **11. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt)**—Ask God to give Simon and Hannah wisdom as they decide whether to buy or rent a home in Scotland.
- **12. David Cook (Chairman)**—Praise God for the March online meeting of the National Committee and for the decisions made, especially for the approval of the new committee member, **Rebekah (Beks) Peters**. Pray also that God will lead us to appoint someone with legal experience in the charity sector as the successor to Jane Whitfield.
- **13. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray for the children who have been doing the Bible Correspondence course for three years plus. Pray for continued enthusiasm and for a real understanding of the Bible.
- **14.** David Cook (Chairman)—Continue to Pray for Megan (South Wales) and Priya (Watford) as they put their training into practice, send out prayer letters and begin to raise their support to prepare to take the online Children's Ministry Leadership Course (CMLC) next month. Pray that they will continue to see God's hand at work in guiding their path to prepare for future ministry.

- **15. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray for God's help with the content and the production of the weekly episodes for the Bible Club TV channel. Pray that clear Bible truth would be presented, and children brought to know the Saviour.
- **16.** Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)—Pray for those within CEF who have been affected by COVID and for their families who support them.
- 17. 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.
- **18.** Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)—Pray for God's blessing on the online Central European CEF Conference this week as the leadership passes from **Sebastian Edelmann** to **Darko Adamek**.
- **19. Lydia Hardesty (European Region)**—Pray that Lydia would lean hard on Christ and seek Him as she continues to live alone and minister from her home near Edinburgh.
- 20. Together in Prayer. Praise God for encouraging prayer mornings for the CEF family in Britain and in The Netherlands. As we continue to support each other in prayer, pray that we will rejoice in seeing how our faithful God answers our requests in the coming weeks. Pray also that God would use this trial of COVID-19 to soften many hearts to hear and receive the Gospel.
- **21. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Central Belt of Scotland)**—Ask God to provide just the right home for Hannah and Simon, with neighbours they can get to know and invest in.
- **22. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Pray for Chris & Lynn as they participate in on-line training courses with Global Member Care.
- 23. David Cook (Chairman)—Give thanks for the encouraging online Spring conference for the GB workers, both current and retired. Pray that God will continue to guide, strengthen and give confidence to discover more ways to reach children with the gospel and disciple those who have trusted Christ.
- **24. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray for people to find the 'Lettheirlightshine' blog and to use the stories, crafts and video clips.
- **25. 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.
- **26. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Praise God for the faithful supporters who have encouraged workers to continue to reach the children during the pandemic through their prayers and gifts.
- **27. Steve and Rachel Ball (East London)**—Please pray for God's help in the content of the weekly Monday Club Mailing. It can be difficult to keep it short and simple enough for the children to read, but at the same time be able to present Bible truths from the Bible stories.
- **28.** Ask God to encourage each CEF worker today, reminding them of His goodness and faithfulness.
- **29. Simon and Hannah Snodgrass (Scotland, Central Belt)**—Pray that restrictions will be lifted in Northern Ireland so Hannah and Simon can say good goodbyes before moving to Scotland.
- **30.** David Cook (Chairman)— Continue to pray for Megan (South Wales) and Priya (Watford) as they seek God to guide them in reaching girls and boys with the gospel.
- **31. Chris and Lynn Holt (Member Care)**—Ask God to bless and encourage single CEF workers across Europe.

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