



Together - Building the Church

Prayer Targets—October 2012

1. **Guatemala** - Give thanks with us for the very generous response to our appeal for families hit by the tragedy of avalanche and flooding around the Guatemala City Dump. Continue to pray for those who have lost loved ones, and their meagre possessions. Pray that the help given will make a real difference in their lives. Pray for the ongoing work of *Casa del Alfarero*.
2. **DR Congo** - Give thanks too for a large gift received to help displaced people in eastern DR Congo. Pray that our partners *HEAL Africa* will be able to identify and help the most needy - families with children, the elderly, sick etc. Pray above all for a rapid and just solution to Congo's seemingly-endless civil war.
3. **Children** - In Haiti and elsewhere, many of the schools WorldShare assists are just starting their new school year. Pray that the children will grow in knowledge and character throughout this year. Pray for the critical shortage of teaching materials in many of the schools.
4. **Schools** - A particular problem in many schools is that the children come to lessons hungry, having had nothing to eat, and too weak to concentrate. Pray for funds to ensure that all our schools can provide a nourishing meal to all the children who attend - often it will be their only meal of the day.
5. **Albania** - Give thanks for the ongoing community health education project in villages near Korçe. Pray that the villagers will learn techniques to help themselves develop the wellbeing of their communities. Pray for the water and sanitation projects.
6. **Albania** - Pray for the highly-effective men's and women's Bible Study groups in the villages. Pray that these will prove powerful in bringing people to Christ and in teaching new believers.
7. **Libya** - Give thanks for WorldShare's partners in this country, and pray that God will preserve them as they serve him in the midst of continuing violence. Pray that God will open new ways to share the Gospel.
8. **Libya** - Give thanks for the funds, from a small group of supporters, to help one small victim of the troubles, a young boy 'Z' who had a shattered arm. These gifts have enabled Z to have high-quality medical treatment and

he is now recovering some use of the limb. Pray for the thousands of children in similar need.

9. **Libya** - Sadly, we have heard that Z's father, and other Christians, have recently been arrested. We are not able to clarify the circumstances as yet, but there are groups striving for power in Libya who have a strongly anti-Christian stance. Pray that God will preserve his people in safety and freedom. Pray for the release of the Christian prisoners.

10. **UK** - Please pray for our Board members as they meet today to plan WorldShare's work for the coming months. Pray for clear vision to see God's direction.

11. **Moldova** - Pray for an opportunity apparently opening up to provide stocks of clothing and food and hygiene goods. These would be for use in supporting the rehabilitation programme and also in aiding the vulnerable girls who are in danger of being caught up in the sex trade and being trafficked. Pray that God will help us to see the way forward as these plans are considered.

12. **DR Congo** - Give thanks that Dr. Justin, from *HEAL Africa*, had opportunity to conduct an outreach visit in Isiro, an area which the ministry had not been able to reach before. Travel is difficult and dangerous. But for many people in the places visited, these visits provide the only-available medical treatment.

13. **Uganda** - Praise God for the highly-successful appeal for help for the families impacted by mudslides in Uganda. Each of the families in need have been provided with a pack of urgent necessities, and are receiving ongoing local help. Pray for this ongoing work.

14. **India** - Continue to pray for the work amongst disabled children in Bangalore. Pray that God will bring physical and mental wellbeing, and a new sense of being loved and valued to the children. Pray that God will provide for the school's needs and give strength and patience to all the staff.

15. **Vietnam** - Pray for our partners in this country. Rural partners often serve several scattered villages, with many difficulties of travel, and much opposition from the authorities. Pray for good health, stamina and boldness.

16. **Myanmar** - Pray for our Chairman, Rev. Glyn Jones, and his wife, as

they begin a visit to our partners *Word of Hope* in Yangon. Pray that God will help them to see how we can be of more help to this precious ministry in this changing, needy country.

17. **Global** - In the next few days, we ask your prayers for WorldShare's sister-organisations around the World. Their fellowship and input makes possible many of the projects to which we contribute. Today we ask you to pray for our colleagues in **the USA**, as they look to appoint a new CEO. Pray for God to rise up the right person for them.

18. **Australia** - Pray for our partners in Australia and especially for their extensive ministry partnerships in China. Pray that God will give them abundant opportunities, and a rich harvest in that country.

19. **Singapore** - Pray for our colleagues' growing ministry in the very restricted country of Laos. Pray for the training of new Christian workers.

20. **Canada** - Our Canadian colleagues are urgently seeking a new Director of Development to head their fundraising work. Pray that God will provide the right man or woman, with the right skills and experience, to lead them forward.

21. **Japan** - Pray for the newest and smallest of our offices, that they will make real headway in a country with only a small Christian population.

22. **UK** - Please pray for our latest *Gift of Hope* online catalogue as it is published. Pray that the selection of new gifts, and the many new features, will spur many supporters to get involved in this project for the first time.

23. **Algeria** - Our partners *BEF* have just produced a new edition of the New Testament in Berber and Arabic. Pray that this will be widely distributed and will be a great blessing to believers and seekers.

24. **Senegal** - Pray for the containers of medical supplies being readied to go to hospitals and clinics in Senegal and elsewhere. Pray that they may bring great blessing and relief to those who are suffering. Pray for the funds for the freight and other costs.

25. **Sri Lanka** - Pray for our partners as they seek to help people in this beautiful country recover from the effects of the prolonged and bitter civil war, and the sudden violence of its ending. Pray for true reconciliation in

Christ across the island.

26. **Moldova** - Pray that God will provide urgently-needed funds to keep the work in Moldovan schools going. This programme is extremely popular and effective, and the government of Moldova would like to extend it to more schools. But our partners' ability to fulfil this request is jeopardised by shortage of funds for 2013.

27. **ECTV** - Likewise, funds are urgently needed to help our Christian television programmes across the Turkic world on air. All the organisations funding this project face challenges because of the recession. Pray that God will provide the much-needed funds.

28. **ECTV** - Give thanks for the highly-effective programmes 24/7 in Turkish, Azeri and Turkmen, and for the new programmes in Uzbek. This has been a time of particular harvest, where people in all the countries covered are coming to the Lord. Praise God.

29. **Bangladesh** - Pray for the programme to build latrines - so essential to good health - across this country. Pray for more resources to help more communities have proper sanitation.

30. **Mali** - A number of the Christian families who were displaced from northern Mali and are now living as refugees, have been hit by an outbreak of malaria, to which they have little resistance. Pray for medical provision for them and a speedy return to health.

31. **Pakistan** - Pray for our partners who are ministering to communities working in the brick making industry in this country, who are entirely enslaved to the bosses. Their conditions are appalling and they are completely unfree to move or help themselves. Pray that our partners may have success in liberating them to a better life. Christian ministry in Pakistan is intensely dangerous. Pray for the safety of our partners.