

# Prayer Focus

October 2019

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## **Week Commencing 6th October pray for the work of Christian Aid and Global Justice Now**

Commitment for Life is the world development programme of the United Reformed Church working in partnership with Christian Aid and Global Justice Now. Our areas of focus are: Bangladesh, Zimbabwe, Central America (Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and El Salvador), Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory.

Christian Aid partners have done much in these areas to help local people start small businesses giving them the opportunity to become financially independent and enabling them to support their families and their local community.

We can help by being generous in our giving to Christian Aid and Commitment for Life and by our prayers for all those involved in this vital work.

## **Week Commencing 13th October pray for the work of Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF)**

In today's 'connected world', the irony is that never have so many people been so isolated. For over 70 years, MAF has been flying light aircraft over jungles, mountains, swamps and deserts enabling over 2,000 aid, development and mission organisations to bring medical care, emergency relief, long-term development and Christian hope to thousands of communities.

Pray for the pilots and all those involved in carrying out this work in God's name. Long may MAF receive the financial support it needs to survive as a life-saving, life-changing charity.

## **Week Commencing 20th October pray for the work of the Christian Blind Mission (CBM)**

CBM is an international Christian development organisation, committed to improving the quality of life of persons with blindness and other disabilities in the poorest countries in the world. It started work with children in Turkey and Iran more than 110 years ago and the organisation has been reaching out ever since to those whom others leave behind irrespective of race, gender or religion.

Driven by Christian values, CBM works with disabled people to break down barriers by delivering medical aid, practical support, improving policy and practice and inspiring the people of the UK to act.

Pray for the work of this organisation and the people involved.

## **Week Commencing 27th October pray for the work of our local Food Banks**

Nobody in our community should have to face going hungry. Food Banks provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to them in crisis. They are part of a nationwide network of Food Banks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.

Food Banks rely on many volunteers and gifts of food and other provisions from local churches and the general public.

Thank God for all those who give of their time as well as those who contribute essential items. Pray that the time will come soon when Food Banks are a thing of the past and no longer necessary.

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