

Quarterly Prayer Guide



January, February and March 2012



Week 1: 1-8 January 2012

Sun 1 January

Global Fellowship: The difficult global financial situation continues to affect TLM, so the year ahead will be challenging from a financial point of view. Please pray for strong growth in support and that donors will be moved by the needs of people affected by leprosy.

Mon 2 January

Global Fellowship: World Leprosy Day is celebrated in most countries at the end of this month (29 January). Pray that all TLM countries will find increased interest in the work of TLM and that this interest will translate into active support, both prayerful and financial.

Tues 3 January

Global Fellowship: Pray for the meetings being held from 7-11 March in Thailand. There will be a meeting of country leaders followed by the annual Members' Meeting of the TLM Fellowship. This is the first face-to-face meeting since the TLM Charter was signed in June 2011. Pray for unity and understanding, and for good progress on the decisions that need to be made.

Weds 4 January

Global Fellowship: The Global Fellowship Handbook will start to be revised this month. Pray for those who will be co-ordinating the revision in order to keep the Handbook up-to-date.

Thurs 5 January

The year ahead: As 2012 begins, pray for the new projects that will be beginning this month. Pray for country leaders and project managers as they co-ordinate the implementation of planned activities.

Fri 6 January

TLM Scotland: In the days leading up to and including World Leprosy Day (29 January), a number of guests from partner countries in Africa and Asia will be visiting Scotland. They will be speaking to churches and other interested groups about their work. Pray for safe travel and that they will inspire their audiences to support TLM's work.

Sat 7/Sun 8 January

TLM Australia: Pray for final preparations for the fundraising Ride for Rehab in January and the Great Train Ride across India in February. Pray that these adventures will engage many new people in the work of TLM as participants raise funds to support the rehabilitation programmes in Thailand and vocational training in India.

Week 2: 9-15 January 2012

Mon 9 January

TLM Sudan and South Sudan: Give thanks for the development of the draft National Leprosy Control guidelines for Sudan (North), which were a result of TLM's advocacy work with national programmes.

Tues 10 January

TLM Sudan and South Sudan:

Pray for the recruitment process of the new administrator for the Sudan Co-ordination Office; that God will provide the right person and that the induction period will go well.

Weds 11 January

TLM Sudan and South Sudan:

In Khartoum State, praise God for the dedication and commitment of TLM staff at Aburoff, the main leprosy referral clinic. Pray for a safe working environment and for strength in managing workloads.

Thurs 12 January

TLM Sudan and South Sudan:

In South Kordofan, pray for people affected by leprosy in Kadugli and Kauda leprosy villages, particularly for their safety and protection within this insecure region. Give thanks for the courage of the state supervisors in North and South Kordofan and ask for their continued protection.

Fri 13 January

TLM Sudan and South Sudan:

Pray for God's provision and guidance to help TLM to find a suitable office space in Juba, the capital of South Sudan.

Sat 14/Sun 15 January

TLM Sudan and South Sudan:

Pray for God to open doors to map the leprosy villages across the 10 states of South Sudan. Also pray for a good relationship with the ILEP co-ordinator for South Sudan.

Week 3: 16-22 January 2012

Mon 16 January

TLM Bangladesh: Give thanks for God's provision in 2011; for His guidance and strength in all that TLM Bangladesh has accomplished this past year. Praise God for the new year and pray for His blessing over the work of TLM Bangladesh in 2012.

Tues 17 January

TLM Bangladesh: Pray for TLM Bangladesh's World Leprosy Day celebrations; that they will lead to a greater awareness of the truths about leprosy and that incorrect beliefs about the disease will be challenged, leading to increased respect for the human rights of leprosy-affected people.

Weds 18 January

TLM Bangladesh: Pray that the transition in leadership for TLM Bangladesh will be smooth and ask for God's wisdom and guidance during this time of change.

Thurs 19 January

TLM Bangladesh: Give thanks for the work of the Co-ordination for Advocacy and Networking (CAN) Project. Pray that TLM Bangladesh will be able to continue the work started by CAN in educating medical students about leprosy and integrating leprosy care into general healthcare institutions.

Fri 20 January

TLM Bangladesh: Pray for God's blessing on the lives of the young people in the Children's Rehabilitation through Education and

Development (CREAD) project; that they will have a good start to their education in the new year.

Sat 21/Sun 22 January

TLM Bangladesh: Pray that TLM Bangladesh will have good working relationships with both the government and non-governmental organisations (NGOs). In particular, pray for TLM Bangladesh's relationship with BRAC, a development organisation, that they will be able to work together towards the goal of 'A Bangladesh without leprosy'.

Week 4: 23-29 January 2012

Mon 23 January

TLM England and Wales: Businesses are increasingly taking on more social responsibility and many are looking to partner with charities. TLM England and Wales are seeking out these opportunities in order to increase awareness of leprosy, and raise financial support and donations 'in kind'. Pray for fruitful contacts and Godly appointments.

Tues 24 January

TLM England and Wales: Praise God for the new staff recently appointed. Pray that they will easily integrate into TLM and have happy and productive working relationships.

Weds 25 January

Project Approval Group (PAG): Today is the first meeting of the new year for the Project Approval Group (PAG). Pray for Implementing Country leaders and programme managers who have put

the documents together and for insight, wisdom and discernment for PAG members as they assess proposed projects.

Thurs 26 January

TLM England and Wales: Pray for many new supporters this year; that they will generate prayer and financial support and much new interest in TLM's work.

Fri 27 January

TLM Scotland: Pray for Jill Bain, Michelle Russell and others who will be preparing for TLM Scotland's annual audit in February. Pray that this whole process will go smoothly and that they will be given a clean bill of health.

Sat 28/Sun 29 January

Global Operations: Pray for the Global Operations meeting (30 January – 3 February) where international programme staff from around the TLM Fellowship gather to share good practice and learning. Pray for a deepening of relationships and trust between participants, that successes are celebrated, and that actions are agreed to address any concerns.

World Leprosy Day Sun

29 January: Pray for World Leprosy Day celebrations which are taking place around the world today, that they will lead to an increased awareness of leprosy and the work of TLM.

Week 5: 30 January - 5 February 2012

Mon 30 January

TLM China: Pray for the development of a new partnership with Christian Blind Mission (CBM) China; that they will be able to work together successfully to improve the lives of leprosy- and disability-affected people.

Tues 31 January

TLM China: A new leprosy-awareness project is being implemented in local churches in Yunnan province. Pray that this will go smoothly and that it will improve people's knowledge and understanding of leprosy.

Weds 1 February

TLM China: Pray for TLM China as they complete the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with project partners and that these partnerships will continue to grow and bear fruit.

Thurs 2 February

TLM China: Pray for a safe journey for children from Diqing Community Rehabilitation Project when they go back to school in February after the Chinese New Year.

Fri 3 February

TLM China: The annual partner project reports and collection of statistics are taking place this month. Pray that these will go well and that everything will be ready on time.

Sat 4/Sun 5 February

TLM China: Pray for a safe journey for those taking part in the Xishuangbanna

Community-Based Rehabilitation partner project review trip this month.

Week 6: 6-12 February 2012

Mon 6 February

TLM India Countrywide: Pray for the self-help groups and community-based rehabilitation (CBR) projects facilitated by TLM India, who collectively use their income and resources to help leprosy-affected people create small businesses (such as fisheries and handicrafts). Give thanks for the sustainable livelihoods that have been developed.

Tues 7 February

TLM India Countrywide: Pray for God's guiding hand for the smooth transition of TLM India's property sales.

Weds 8 February

TLM India Countrywide: Give thanks for TLM India's advocacy work and pray for further changes in attitudes, practices and policies towards people affected by leprosy. World Day of Social Justice takes place on 20 February; pray for TLM India as it addresses the human rights of leprosy-affected people, that they may live free from stigma and prejudice.

Thurs 9 February

TLM India Countrywide: Pray for the meetings taking place in the first quarter of 2012 including the senior management team meetings and the TLM India Board meeting. Pray also for the annual consultation of TLM India leaders.

Fri 10 February

TLM India Countrywide: Pray for TLM India's six vocational training centres which provide education and training for young people affected by leprosy, leading to better employment opportunities.

Sat 11/Sun 12 February

TLM India Countrywide: Pray for safety and travelling mercies for all TLM India staff who are travelling in the first quarter of this year.

Week 7: 13-19 February 2012

Mon 13 February

TLM Nigeria: Pray for the Global Handbook roll-out that will be held in Abuja from 20-24 February. Nigeria will host TLM staff from Chad, Niger, Sudan, Ethiopia and DR Congo.

Tues 14 February

TLM Nigeria: Pray for the approval and release of the next phase of the project funded by TY Danjuma Foundation (an independent grant-giving organisation) that will support TLM's work in Niger and Kwara State.

Weds 15 February

TLM Nigeria: TLM Nigeria is looking for a plot of land in the Federal Capital Territory of Abuja on which to build an office and relocate close to the capital. Pray that the right plot of land will be found and that funds will be made available to purchase it.

Thurs 16 February

TLM Nigeria: Pray that the lessons learnt from the Annual Country Learning will strengthen TLM Nigeria's effectiveness in planning new strategies from this year onwards.

Fri 17 February

TLM Nigeria: Pray for Hajara Aliyu Ndayako, the focal person for leprosy in Niger State. She is working for the Women of Gender Affairs and Social Development and will also be the TLM Nigeria Socio-Economic Development (SED) Officer. Pray that through her, the partnership with the Ministry of Health will be successful.

Sat 18/Sun 19 February

TLM Nigeria: Pray for the role of Dr Sunday Udo as both Chair of ILEP (2011-2012) and Co-ordinator of the National Leprosy Technical Working Group.

Week 8: 20-26 February 2012

Mon 20 February

TLM Switzerland: Pray for Anne-Claude Jonah's first visit to the field in Niger from 4-15 February. Anne-Claude was recently appointed to represent TLM in the French part of Switzerland.

Tues 21 February

TLM Switzerland: Many changes will take place this year. The administration and the accounts department will be transferred from Lonay to the office in the German part of Switzerland. Pray that this move and the transition to the new database will go well.

Weds 22 February

TLM Switzerland: From 10-26 March, a group from TLM Switzerland and TLM England and Wales will participate in the Trek for Treatment in Nepal. Pray for an increasing number of participants from Switzerland. Also pray for

the trekkers' safety and for their efforts in fundraising and promoting the work of TLM in Nepal.

Thurs 23 February

TLM Switzerland: Pray for a greater number of speaking engagements in churches and schools, that this will provide more opportunity for increasing support for TLM.

Fri 24 February

TLM Scotland: Pray for the final preparations for, and introduction of, a whole new way for supporters across Scotland to Give, Act and Pray for the work of TLM. From this month onwards, supporters will be able to take much more control of how, where and what they wish to support.

Sat 25/Sun 26 February

Annual Project Reports: The end of February is a busy time for TLM Implementing Countries as they complete their Annual Project Reports. Pray for energy, creativity and good communication skills for those involved. Also pray that these reports will clearly demonstrate the achievements of the past year and engage those who support TLM's work.

Week 9: 27 February - 4 March 2012

Mon 27 February

TLM New Zealand: Praise God for all those who responded to TLM New Zealand's request to become 'Leprosy Mission Families 4 Families' monthly supporters. 'Families 4 Families' supports TLM's projects in China, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, India and Nepal.

Tues 28 February

TLM New Zealand: Pray for those who receive this year's Youth Advocate Scholarship. They will introduce a new generation to the daily lives of thousands of leprosy-affected people around the world. These young people will become active in their own communities, build networks of youth supporters, and campaign on issues affecting those living with leprosy.

Weds 29 February

TLM New Zealand: Give thanks for our Marketing/Supporter Services Department as they enthusiastically build better relationships with supporters throughout New Zealand.

Thurs 1 March

TLM New Zealand: Pray for Rebecca Katticaren, TLM India Regional Support Manager, as she oversees TLM New Zealand's Community Development Project in Uttar Pradesh, India. This project assists marginalised women to find a better quality of life. Pray for the breakdown of cultural and caste barriers so that women will find opportunities to improve their income.

Fri 2 March

TLM New Zealand: Give thanks for Baibing, Lucy, Samson and Lillian, the Ethnic Communities Volunteers. Under the leadership of Mike Sheppard, volunteer Ethnic Communities Ambassador, they are informing their communities about leprosy and the work of TLM. These volunteers have translated communications into Chinese, appeared on local radio and produced a Chinese Leprosy Mission money box.

Sat 3/Sun 4 March

TLM New Zealand: Dr David Friend, supported by Serving in Mission (SIM) and TLM New Zealand, works at the Mukinge Hospital in North West Zambia. He also takes care of the physical and medical needs of leprosy-affected individuals and families in the nearby Kikonkomene Village. Pray for wisdom for David as he deals with issues relating to the upkeep and provisions needed for the village. Pray also for dedicated and committed medical practitioners to work here.

Week 10: 5-11 March 2012**Mon 5 March**

TLM Indonesia: Pray that TLM Indonesia will be established as a legal organisation and that God will bring the right people to be involved here.

Tues 6 March

TLM Indonesia: Pray for the development of the strategy for Indonesia, that God will bring wisdom to those involved and that TLM Indonesia will be able to work well on this in collaboration with potential local partners.

Wed 7 March

TLM Indonesia: The Social Rehabilitation Programme's (VBCR) end-of-project evaluation is taking place in the first quarter of 2012. Pray that it will go well and for safe travels during this time.

Thurs 8 March

TLM Indonesia: Pray for the development of PerMaTa, an organisation that aims to improve the lives of leprosy-affected people through

upholding their dignity and human rights. Pray for communications between different chapters in the provinces and with PerMaTa at national level.

Fri 9 March

ILEP meetings: Pray for the ILEP meetings taking place from 20-23 March. Pray that the ILEP Technical Commission (ITC) will continue to be an effective advisory committee. The eight members of the ITC include Professor Cairns Smith, Dr Rajan Babu, June Nash, Dr Hugh Cross and Dr Wim van Brakel, who have all served with TLM. Pray for their contribution to the ITC.

Sat 10/Sun 11 March

World Water Day is taking place later this month on 22 March. Pray for the many countries that TLM works in which have a serious water problem and for the projects to improve access to safe water that TLM is involved in.

Week 11: 12-18 March 2012**Mon 12 March**

TLM Chad: Pray for a continued improvement in relationships between TLM Chad, the National Programme and Fondation Raoul Follereau (FRF).

Tues 13 March

TLM Chad: Pray for a good understanding of high-quality care at all staffing levels, from the National Office to the local healthcare worker. Pray that this will be translated into excellent services for leprosy-affected people.

Weds 14 March

TLM Chad: Pray for the construction of a meeting hall and storage building for the Disabled People's Organisation (DPO) in Bitkane.

Thurs 15 March

TLM Chad: Pray for further development of and collaboration between the different disabled people's organisations (DPO) in the Guera region of Chad.

Fri 16 March

TLM Chad and Guinea: Both countries have suffered from bad harvests. Pray for adequate food supplies for the very poor and disadvantaged and for improvements in future harvests

Sat 17/Sun 18 March

TLM Guinea: Pray for good relationships with ILEP partners in working towards shared goals of improving the lives of leprosy-affected people in Guinea.

Week 12: 19-25 March 2012**Mon 19 March**

TLM Australia: Give thanks for the improvements in the structure and governance of TLM Australia, including the adoption of a new constitution and the development of a new leadership team (Graham Peck, Mark Richardson, Helen Nixon and Tim Davey).

Tues 20 March

TLM Australia: Praise God for the approval by the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) for TLM's adherence to the Code of Conduct.

Weds 21 March

TLM Australia: Pray for all those involved in the preparations for the TLM Australia National Conference next month (20-22 April), that everything will go smoothly and to plan.

Thurs 22 March

TLM Australia: Give thanks for the implementation of new donor services and accounting systems and for the progress towards achieving TLM's purpose and goals.

Fri 23 March

TLM Australia: Pray for the development of the Xtreme Schoolies adventure (which is aimed at students graduating from high school), that many more young people will have the opportunity to get involved.

Sat 24/Sun 25 March

TLM England and Wales: Pray for the TLM England and Wales Board meeting taking place on 24 March, especially for wisdom and guidance for those involved.

Week 13: 26 March - 1 April 2012**Mon 26 March**

TLM India: Pray for TLM India's relationships with partner organisations as they work towards shared goals of improving the lives of leprosy-affected people. Pray that the influence of TLM India will be far-reaching and that there will be new opportunities this year.

Tues 27 March

TLM India: Give thanks for TLM India's country leader, Dr Sunil Anand and the staff that support him. Pray that God will give them wisdom and energy in the months ahead.

Weds 28 March

TLM India Southern Region: Pray for the doctors, nurses and other staff at the three hospitals in Southern India through which TLM works - TLM Hospital Vadathorasalur, TLM Hospital Dayapuram and TLM's Salur Hospital. Pray particularly for the reconstructive surgeries and prevention of disability (POD) work which takes place here.

Thurs 29 March

TLM India Southern Region: Pray for Vadathorasalur Vocational Training Centre (VTC) as it plans to start an e-publishing business. Pray that this will be a great success.

Fri 30 March

TLM India: Pray for TLM staff working throughout India, that they will be enthusiastic and accepting of changes taking place in 2012 and that they will be able to work closely with each other.

Sat 31 March - Sun 1 April

TLM India: Pray for sufficient resources to be available and that there will be many new donors this year.