

# Promotional Work

*'Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labour in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain,' Psalm 127:1*



**Hands up:** The congregation of St James the Great wore a glove for the day in support of TLM England and Wales

## Jul-Aug Week 31

### FACTFILE

LAST YEAR TLM TRADING'S CUSTOMERS 'BOUGHT' 4,000 PAIRS OF SANDALS FOR PEOPLE AFFECTED BY LEPROSY THROUGH TLM GIFTS FOR LIFE

### Mon 26 July

Pray for **TLM Scotland** Director, Linda Todd and her team. In challenging financial times, pray for wisdom as they seek to increase income and decrease expenditure. May their supporters be inspired as they read their magazine, *Dochas*, and may new fundraising initiatives and events be enthusiastically supported.

### Tues 27 July

Uphold **TLM England and Wales** Director, Rupert Haydock, and staff. Pray for outstanding success in all fundraising campaigns this year, for an increase in supporters, especially enthusiastic, younger people, and for new ways to develop effective church, corporate and business support.

### Weds 28 July

Pray for **TLM Australia** Director, Graham Peck, the Board, staff, and volunteer ambassadors as they work together to increase prayer and financial support in Australia to resource leprosy work more effectively. As they seek to engage more churches to partner with them in supporting leprosy projects, pray for open doors and a generous response.

### Thurs 29 July

**TLM Trading** is preparing for the despatch of its autumn and winter Catalogues – this is its busiest time of year and is the most critical for the financial success of the business. Pray for an outstanding response this year, with increased numbers and values of orders, and increased sales of leprosy 'Gifts for Life'.

### Fri 30 July

Uphold **TLM Canada** Director Peter Derrick and his team as they explore new ways to communicate with and recruit donors through their website and mailings. Pray they will have courage to test new ideas and time to implement them. Pray too that as supporters receive more personal feedback on projects they will feel greater commitment to TLM's mission.

### August

### Sat 31 July / Sun 1 Aug

**TLM Northern Ireland** asks for prayer that the work of TLM will have real meaning in the Northern Ireland context as well as in the wider TLM world. Pray for Director Colin Ferguson and his small team, that all they do will bring honour to the Lord.

# Cross-cultural staff

'The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation,' Exodus 15:2



Elsi Frijling with a patient in Sudan

### Thurs 5 Aug

**Sudan:** Elsi Frijling works in Sudan as prevention of disability and rehabilitation advisor. This role involves travel out of Khartoum, where she is based, to other areas that need her skill and expertise. Pray for wisdom as she runs training programmes for supervisors and health workers for the National Leprosy Control programme.

### Fri 6 Aug

**Bangladesh:** Pray for Bob and Sheri Bowers and their three children. Bob is an Occupational Therapist at DBLM Hospital. Pray that the Lord will grant the whole family strength, especially at times of extreme heat.

### Sat 7 / Sun 8 Aug

**Bangladesh:** Give thanks for Dr Jean-Francois and Anne Negrini and their four children who returned home in June after many years of faithful service with TLM in Bangladesh. Pray that God will guide this family's future and that they will know peace and joy, as they readjust to life in Switzerland.

# Education and learning

'Let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance,' Proverbs 1:5



Computer training at Champa Vocational Training Centre

### Mon 9 Aug

**Reflection:** Pray for staff participating in Learning Reviews at project and country level that they will use this opportunity to sit with the Lord and learn. May the reviews be more than an assessment of successes and failures but an opportunity to reflect, change and increase understanding, which will lead to improved practice.

### Tues 10 Aug

**Guidance:** Please pray for the Lord's continued wisdom and guidance for those organising and co-ordinating staff training initiatives in TLM, particularly the Knowledge Management team and health and disability advisors. Pray that the Lord will help them to tackle the areas of priority for the organisation and staff and will strengthen their capacity to do quality work.

### Weds 11 Aug

**Skills:** TLM has six Vocational Training Centres (VTCs) in India. They aim to provide teenagers and young adults from a leprosy background with skills that will help them make a good living. Pray that the students who are undergoing training in various trades will concentrate on their studies and increase their skills and knowledge.

### Thurs 12 Aug

**Training:** Pray for members of staff participating in training programmes within the organisation, especially those helping to maintain leprosy knowledge among other health workers. Pray that they will be able to keep people informed about leprosy and its treatment so that no patients are left untreated or neglected.

### Fri 13 Aug

**Independence:** Pray for the staff working at TLM's Vocational Training Centres. Thank God for their dedication and service to TLM. Pray that the admission selection process will enable the staff to reach out to candidates from a leprosy background who are in real need of help to secure a more financially independent future.

### Sat 14 / Sun 15 Aug

**Apprenticeships:** Remember all the students who will be graduating from the VTCs this year. Ask that they will be able to find suitable work placements quickly. Also pray that staff at the VTCs will build up good relationships with local companies, leading to an increase in the number of apprenticeships available to graduates.

## August Week 32

### Mon 2 Aug

**Ethiopia:** Anne Roberts, a physiotherapist, and Tamaryn Williams, an occupational therapist, work at The All-Africa Leprosy, Tuberculosis, Rehabilitation and Research Training Centre (ALERT) in Addis Ababa. Pray for them as they both have a high workload. Pray that they will be strengthened by God and will enjoy continued good health and energy.

### Tues 3 Aug

**DR Congo:** Angelika Piefer is an occupational therapist working in DR Congo as advisor for disability with TLM and government staff. Give thanks for the many years that Angelika has worked for TLM. Pray for her protection as she travels regularly within DR Congo.

### Weds 4 Aug

**Mozambique:** Arie and Marie de Kruijff, from South Africa, are based in Pemba where they live with their three small children. Arie is the Country Leader for TLM; pray for him as he oversees the team and meets regularly with district supervisors of the leprosy control programme. Pray also for good health for all the family.



Marie de Kruijff with two of their children, Mozambique

## August Week 33



School children in Mozambique

FACTFILE  
IN DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES, ONLY  
ONE CHILD IN  
THREE COMPLETES  
FIVE YEARS OF  
SCHOOLING

# Central Africa

Chad, Guinea, Niger, Sudan

*'No one whose hope is in you will ever be put to shame,' Psalm 25:3*



Children in Danja

# South East India

Andhra Pradesh

*'Earlier, while I had my old house, when there was rainfall I had to lay all night sleepless. Now I don't know if it is raining or not outside,' Shivchandra, low-cost house recipient, Muzaffarpur*



Support: Parisuddam has received good care from TLM's hospital in Salur

## August Week 34

**FACTFILE**  
GUINEA'S MINERAL WEALTH MAKES IT POTENTIALLY ONE OF AFRICA'S RICHEST COUNTRIES, BUT MOST OF ITS PEOPLE LIVE ON LESS THAN \$1 A DAY



### Mon 16 Aug

**Niger:** Pray that good working relationships will be established between the government National Leprosy programme, the association of Raoul Follereau (AFRR – the ILEP representative in Niger), and CSL Danja Hospital as they collaborate closely together. Thank God for the establishment of a new fistula project at the hospital which will benefit many women.

### Tues 17 Aug

**Guinea:** TLM supports the **Mission Philafricaine Leprosy Referral Hospital** in Macenta. It provides reconstructive surgery and physiotherapy services to leprosy-affected people. Pray for the staff, that they will be strengthened and uplifted on a daily basis. Ask that patients will experience God's presence during their time at the hospital.

### Weds 18 Aug

**Sudan:** Leprosy stigma is still high in Sudan. TLM Sudan has requested prayer for greater co-operation between the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Social Welfare in **Khartoum State** so that there will be greater integration of leprosy-affected people into communities and general disability groups.

### Thurs 19 Aug

**Sudan:** Praise God that despite the insecurity in **Darfur**, TLM is still able to provide leprosy services to the needy. Also give thanks that TLM Sudan has renewed its Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Darfur state Ministry of Health. Continue to pray for peace in Darfur, and for God's protection on all TLM staff working in this area.

### Fri 20 Aug

**Chad:** Pray for peace, safety and stability within this country. Also pray that TLM will continue to build strong relationships with national staff working on Chad's leprosy control programme, and with government and non-governmental organisations.

### Sat 21 / Sun 22 Aug

**Sudan:** In **Kordufan** TLM supports self-care groups, self-help groups and education for children with parents affected by leprosy. Pray for Dr Wilson Lado Santo, the programme manager in this region as he carries out his day-to-day tasks. Also pray for peace among the tribes in Kordufan as there is often conflict among them.

## August Week 35



On the road: A van collects patients to take them to the hospital for eye surgery

**FACTFILE**  
UNDER THE CATCH THEM YOUNG SCHEME, OVER 3,000 YOUNG PEOPLE ARE BEING PROVIDED WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SCHOOLING

### Mon 23 Aug

**Education:** TLM supports the **Brighter Future Development Trust** in Vizianagaram which provides medical, educational and spiritual support to leprosy-affected families, particularly to children. Pray for the director Victor Parisipogula. And pray for the children, that the education they receive will make a big difference to their future prospects.

### Tues 24 Aug

**Funding:** At **Philadelphia Leprosy Hospital** in Salur a local fundraising team has been established to raise financial support for the hospital from the local community. Pray for a good response and ask that, through this team, God will provide the necessary funds so that building renovations can be completed.

### Weds 25 Aug

**Comfort:** **CROSS Leprosy, Disability, Awareness and Advocacy programme** asks us to pray for the leprosy-affected people they work with, particularly those who struggle with depression, even after receiving counselling from the CROSS team. Pray that God will be their comforter and strength.

### Thurs 26 Aug

**Staff:** Remember the religious Sisters at **St Joseph's Hospital** in Prathipadu; they work tirelessly with people affected by leprosy and many other health issues. Pray also for the HIV patients, particularly the children. And pray that the staff here will radiate God's love to all those they come into contact with each day.

### Fri 27 Aug

**Partners:** Pray for Dr Rapaka Ganeswara Rao, the consultant at **TLM's Hospital in Ramachandrapuram**, Andhra Pradesh. Ask that he will be guided daily by God. Thank God for this hospital; it has built up a good reputation among the local churches, the government and with non-governmental organisations. Pray that this will continue.

### Sat 28 / Sun 29 Aug

**Housing:** The **Sebama Foundation** in Sogathur, Andhra Pradesh, supports leprosy-affected people through a micro-credit and low-cost housing scheme. Pray for the individuals this project works with, that they will become independent and able to lead a self-sufficient life.

# Nepal

*'O Lord, be gracious to us; we long for you. Be our strength every morning, our salvation in time of distress,'*  
Isaiah 33:2



A patient at Anandaban Hospital

## Aug-Sep Week 36

### FACTFILE

IN NEPAL THE  
AVERAGE ANNUAL  
INCOME PER PERSON  
IS \$220



Purma, a 15-year old surgical patient at Anandaban Hospital

### Mon 30 August

**Guidance: Nepal Leprosy Trust** (NLT) is one of TLM's project partners in Nepal. Pray for God's direction for NLT. And pray particularly that staff and leaders will know God's vision and wisdom as they develop a new long-term strategic plan.

### Tues 31 August

**Integration:** Lalgadh Leprosy Services Centre, a project of Nepal Leprosy Trust, uses the **STEP (Stigma Elimination Programme)** as the main approach to fight leprosy in four districts in the central region of Nepal. Pray for this project as it aims to increase the social and economic integration of leprosy-affected people into their communities.

### September

#### Weds 1 Sep

**New cases: Lalgadh Leprosy Services Centre** handles 37,000 patients a year. Many are non-leprosy patients but 100 new cases of leprosy are diagnosed each month by staff here. Praise God that this project has received necessary funds to enable it to carry out this vital work. Pray for God's continued provision to run the project.

### Thurs 2 Sep

**Resources:** The main building at **Anandaban Hospital** is very old and the maintenance cost is increasing. There is a critical need to replace the wards. Pray that the Lord will provide the resources. Pray also that the hospital will have the funds to replace ageing x-ray and ultrasound machines.

### Fri 3 Sep

**Travel:** Pray for Dr Hugh Cross, TLM's Country Leader for Nepal, and his wife Diana. Pray for Hugh's safety and the Lord's guidance as he has to travel frequently to Nepal from the Philippines to oversee the work of Leprosy Mission Nepal.

### Sat 4 / Sun 5 Sep

**Challenges:** Nepal faces many challenges including: national instability; severe power, water and periodic fuel shortages; limited resources within the country; high illiteracy and extreme levels of poverty. Pray for staff working in these difficult conditions, and for God to provide the necessary resources so that people who are in need can be helped.