#### **Mission and Outreach: Keith Croxton**



**Please continue to pray** for persecuted Christians in the volatile Middle East. In particular **pray for** the work of Open Doors and Mosaic who we support who are supporting Christians in that area.

As we transition our mission focus/giving towards Africa and in particular Rwanda **please pray** for Batsinda Parish

Church in Kigali and their minister Revd Olivier Ndarwubatse. We will be supporting this church during 2024 as part of our tithe **Pray** the Lord will guide MOG as we develop our strategy for developing links with Africa.

**The Centre: Give thanks** the Centre is now virtually fully booked and the finances have held up well through the difficult winter months **Pray for** Judith as she returns to The Centre and **give thanks** for Amir who has done a wonderful job covering for Judith.

**Food Bank: Give thanks** for the generous donations of finance and food that ensures we can keep supplying the food parcels to those in need. **Please pray** for families in our community who are struggling with the cost of living. Pray that the food parcels will make a real difference to their lives and that through this ministry they may know something of God's love and compassion .

**Mission to the Elderly: Give thanks** for answered prayer for two new volunteers. Two new volunteers have now joined the team which means we can maintain the weekly visits to Clarendon House.

**Tuesday Lunch**: There are 80 attending regularly and include the lonely, vulnerable and young mums and children.

This is a great opportunity for building relationships and outreach, for example gossiping the gospel over a meal.

**Please pray** for Sheila Handley and her team of helpers who prepare the three course meal every week.

## **Created Creative (CC): Emma Elias**



**Thank God** for an encouraging month, for all He has done in March and for the sessions that have taken place.

**Please pray** for those people He has touched and brought healing to through creativity last month, that He will protect each heart and continue to minister to them and draw them closer to Him.

**Pray that** the Lord will use the adverts we have placed in the Church Times and Christian magazines to highlight how He can meet us through creativity and strengthen and restore us.

**Please pray** for the CC team, for protection, strength and energy and for the Lord to lead new team members to join us in His timing.

**Please pray** for the sessions coming up in April, including a day retreat at Stanton House.

Thank you for your prayers and support for this ministry area, we appreciate and value you standing with us: info@createdcreative.co.uk

#### Our Church link St John's & St Wilfrid's Bradford under John Bavington



We **give thanks** to the Lord for the wonderful weekend of celebration on the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of worship at St John's Great Horton.

**Please pray** for the week of 'Ministry to BD7' on 9th-19th May. **Pray for** the preparations that are being made to go out and share God's love in the community. **Please pray** 

**also** for the SOMA representatives who are coming to BD7 to assist in leading this mission. **Please pray too** for the afternoon of Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May when with other churches in the city we will be coming together to celebrate Pentecost in the city centre.

**Please pray** for Jan and the team at St Columba's as they start to grow the church plant there.

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#### Prayer for the World: Zena Greig

'God blesses those who work for peace' Matthew 5:9 (NLT)

In the many devastating conflicts around the world are those who are unstintingly working for peace. **Pray for** perseverance, wisdom, diplomacy and ultimate solutions for those seeking to negotiate peace in Ukraine, Gaza/ Israel, Sudan and Haiti.

**Pray too** for their protection and for miraculous breakthroughs in these seemingly impossible conflicts.

#### **Open Doors: Betsy Kolkea**



Eritrea is fourth on Open Doors' World Watch List and is known as 'the North Korea of Africa'. Courageous Christians who gather to meet risk raids, fines and long term imprisonment in awful conditions.

In January over 30 Eritrean Christians and their children were arrested when celebrating the first birthday of one of their children. Non believers were sent home.

The government watches everyone and promotes a stigma against Christians. It's estimated over 1,000 Christians are currently in prison having been charged with no crime. Female prisoners are subjected to gender based violence.

**Let's pray** for each of these courageous brothers and sisters. **Let's pray** for courage (Philippians 1.20), and for a deep awareness of our great Comforter with them.



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1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.