

Prayer Stop 6: Prayer IMPACT and PACT Prayer Days

Prayer Suggestions

- Pray for John as he continues to co-ordinate these important aspects of PACT
- Pray that Prayer Groups will continue to meet and pray for their neighbours
- Pray that through these groups, neighbours will be introduced to Christ
- Pray for the churches as they organise and host PACT Prayer days



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The Town of Petersfield: Schools

- Burton Primary School
- Frostfield Infant School
- Greatbarns Primary School
- Harting C of E Primary School
- Langrish County Primary School
- Petersfield Infant School
- Sheet Primary School
- Steep Primary School

Herne Junior School

Bedales
Church's College
The Petersfield School

Pray:

- ... for the safety of children as they travel to and from schools and for the "Lollipop" men and women who see them safely across roads.
- ... for the integrity of teachers who can have such an influence on young lives.
- ... for the Christian input Christians who lead work
- ... for classrooms assistants enhance the education of
- ... for other staff; admin they will work to enhance
- ... for the head teachers with staff, pupils, parent
- ... for children who have
- ... That children are not bu
- ... That older children are n

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PERSECUTION IN BANGLADESH

Despite declaring war on radical groups, Bangladesh's government is known to give in to Islamic pressure. Christian women at risk, particularly in rural areas where they face pressure from families and religion leaders. Violence has increased a concern for Christians was killed for her faith, the names of church leaders appeared on a list with death threats, and a pastor was martyred. Bangladesh's constitution declares that Islam is the state religion, though it is a secular country that allows the practice of religious freedom.

Leader/President: Abdul Hamid
Population: 153 million (2014)
Main Religion: Islam
Government: Parliamentary
World Watch List Rank: 35
Source of Persecution: Islamic

PLEASE PRAY...

- ▶ That Christian converts from Islam and Buddhism will not face discrimination in school, their faith
- ▶ That God will protect the vulnerable Christian minority from radical Islamic groups, especially allied with Islamic State (IS) militants.
- ▶ For the congregations of new churches that were closed in 2015 due to security concerns

THE WORLD WATCH GUIDE 2016

The World Watch Guide 2016 highlights the 35 countries where a local church in this area is Christian. Based on the 2015 report, the most aggressive and detailed report of global persecution, Open Doors has written and translated reports to focus the local churches of persecution, measuring the degree of persecution, the harm to churches and the impact on the people, families, communities, national and church life. It is an important resource for local churches wanting to discover more about the state of the persecuted church.

The World Watch Church Pack is the perfect tool to introduce the persecuted church to your flock. It includes a map showing Church for a child with prayer, healing, job advice, and financial guidance. A DVD including the report which is available from World Watch Christians and a prayer card World Watch Pack perfect for displaying in your church.

To order our World Watch resource, go to www.opendoors.org or call the regional team on 0115 453011

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poverty is many things

Earlier this year, we supported groups of people from Salford to work together with professional writers, producing stories and poems about their personal experiences of poverty. Here is one of the poems that emerged from this "Povertylines" project.

Poverty is not entertainment, it's not noble or romantic.
Poverty is... being
it's heavy hearts and heavy legs,
it's sore skin and hollow eyes,
it's quiet and downtrodden,
it's hunger, malnourishment, it's always thinking about the next meal.
Poverty is health, it's food banks, it's sparrows and lily,
it's never being told what you're entitled to but always being told,
Poverty is being shown up then put down,
it's missed payments and missed,
it's always answering questions but never answering the door.

Poverty
feeling
people

WERLINES
FROM THE URBAN EDGE

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<http://www.werlines.org.uk>

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...I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and earth... Genesis 9:13

THE COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW...

In each of the rainbow colours write or draw a prayer for children from the list below:

Pray:

- Red - Children around our country**
- Orange - Children who are homeless**
- Yellow - Children living with poverty and food shortages**
- Green - Children who are sick**
- Blue - Children at your school or work**
- Indigo - Children**
- Violet - Yourself as a child of God**

"I wonder if we can fill all the gaps in the rainbow praying for children today."

