

**We pray a prayer of blessing and encouragement on you today  
as you bless and encourage us in prayers**

## **Prayer and Praise**

1. **Tim and Georgina** are currently staying in Banham, Norfolk, and they give thanks for all that God is doing – so many unexpected contacts and opportunities for ministry and mission. Please pray for their next move – they need to move again on **10th August** – please pray that this might be to their permanent home!

2. Please pray urgently with us for week 2 of Peddars Way walk mission, George Martin is now the leader and we need a couple more team members! Week 1 is being led by Dan and is a full team. Do join us in praying for current team leaders and members: Week 1 - **Dan Holland (TL), Chris Bent, Matthew Cheer, Pat Webster, Richard Winski and Arthur Young**; week 2 - **George Martin (TL), Mark & Lambrini Featherston**.

3. We will be running another TFM training event on **Saturday 10 September**, this will be at Kings Church Wisbech – please pray for good numbers and great blessing. (If you haven't been to a training in a while, then book in, if you know anyone who wants to be challenged – then send them along. There is never any obligation to join a mission team – just come for the day and see what God does!)

4. Prayer for **New Trustees** appreciated:

Following the resignation of some of the trustees recently, we are seeking new appointments. We are particularly keen to consider diversity, those of a younger age, people from the independent churches rather than traditional denominations and those with skills to offer such as financial and legal. Also, someone from the clergy/church leadership. If you know of someone who might be considered please let the office know. Although it is always preferable that he/she has served on a TFM mission (or willing to do so), the only criteria are a heart for evangelism and TFM specifically.

5. There is now space for one more team member at **Greenbelt**... let us know urgently if that's you... and please pray for more prayer warriors to sign up for the team at Greenbelt weekend.

6. Dan is running an in-person **Prophetic Evangelism** Day course at Peterborough on Saturday 3 September (see [link](#) to booking, if interested, book early!)

7. Praise God following the successful scouting Wales **North Llyn mission** is now confirmed to be going ahead in October, so again please pray with us for team members to sign up.

8. Martin West has now returned from his Mission trip to Uganda, he gives thanks to all for prayers, please see his brief report attached.

## Prayer Diary

Thursdays	Weekly Staff Meetings
Sun 14 Aug	Tim preaching at Fressingfield
Sat 20 Aug - Sun 4 Sept	Peddars Way Evangelistic Walk Mission
Fri 26 - Mon 29 Aug	TFM team at Greenbelt (Chris Watts)
Sat 3 Sept	Prophetic Evangelism Course (Dan)
Sat 10 Sept	Training Day (Tim and Georgina, venue tbc)
Fri 16 - Sun 18 Sept	Torbay Mission Weekend (Tim, Georgina and Dan)
Thurs 22 Sept	TFM Coffee Morning (10-11am): <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84754666194">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84754666194</a>
Wed 28 Sept	Wyesham Mission Exploration on zoom (Tim)
Sat 1 - Sun 9 Oct	North Llyn Peninsula Mission (Tim, Georgina and Dan)
Sat 12 - Sun 13 Nov	Basingstoke weekend (Dan)
Sun 20 Nov	Dan speaking at Wolverhampton joint service
Sun 20 Nov	Tim preaching at Fressingfield Celebration

## Thought for the week

There has been a lot of sport to view recently. Wimbledon, the regular F1 races, World athletics and of course the women's Euros and the ongoing Commonwealth games. Fine if you like sport but probably boring if not!

I was struck in the World Athletics from Oregon, by 2 performances. In the ladies discus, Bin FENG of China won the competition on her first throw with a personal best that no one could match, including herself in subsequent rounds. Then the ladies 400m hurdles where Sydney MCLAUGHLIN of the USA ran a world record time, finishing a good 20m in front of the next runner. She sat on the track afterwards shaking her head, almost in disbelief!

Sometimes it all just comes right. The training pays off. The body moves in just the right way, The conditions are favourable. History is made. You can probably think of other examples and not just sport.

Our walk with God it seems to me can be like this. In this case though it's not training that's important (although that obviously helps!) but being available and willing. I remember a Christmas Eve service a few years ago when I was feeling pretty low and far from God and ended up counselling the lady who sat next to me. I didn't know her and, to my knowledge, haven't seen her since. I reflected afterwards, 'Where did that come from?' and realised that even in my current state, God was there and using me because I was willing to be available. Similarly, having spent many years in leadership, I now have no calling that way but find I am able to serve in other ways.

**Being available.** It's not about being busy – indeed probably the exact opposite. Mother Teresa once commented that she spoke very little in her prayers, just listened. When asked what God said to her, she replied, 'Oh, He listens too'. Each was listening to the other, not to words but to the heart. Both were available.

Do you worry about what to say when asked about your faith? Just be available. God will do the talking and a perfect performance will result.

David