**WESTFIELD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH PRAYER BULLETIN 161: OCTOBER 2021**

Thank you for your continued prayers for our church, our people and our community. Please include the following with your own prayers this month:

**WESTFIELD \ OUR FUTURE**

We thank and praise God for the close fellowship we have at Westfield, and for the joy we receive when we meet together.

As we approach 2024, which will be Westfield's 200th Anniversary we remember God's faithfulness to our church and to the people who have served Him here throughout those 200 years. We pray that the serving we do today will please Him much, also.

Please keep praying for our two seperate Bible Study meetings - that people would be inspired and uplifted by the studies and that their understanding of Scripture would increase.

Time of Reflection - What would you like to see at Westfield? How would you like our church to grow? Is there anything you would like to see us doing in the community? Where would you like our church to be in 5 years time? Find a quiet moment, read Psalm 46 and then pray the answers you made to the questions above, to God.

**WYKE CHRISTIAN COUNCIL**

The six Churches that form the Wyke Christian Council have connections with many community groups, charities, development and missionary agencies, and good causes operating both in the UK and overseas. Praise and thank God for the amazing work that is carried out by these organisations and also thank God for the many people in our six churches that pray, give and raise money for the same organisations.

The Wyke Foodbank are now intending to supply our churches with regular prayer requests to help the ongoing work of the foodbank. Please pray that many within our churches would support this prayer ministry.

Caring For Life (the local charity the Wyke Christian Council are supporting till the end of the year) have requested prayer for their beneficaries who are returning, after the lockdowns, to the daytime projects based at their Cookridge farm and complex. Please pray that these beneficaries, some who are living vulnerable lives and some living with the fear of abuse and harm, would be encouraged much in what they are doing through the projects. Pray that they would sense the great love that King Jesus has for each and everyone of them, and that they would put their complete faith and trust in the Good Shepherd.

**MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP (MAF)**

This months theme is on "Loving God's Word" taken from MAF's Summer Prayer Diary.

Praise God that MAF has flown 510kg of Didinga Scripture portions from *Wycliffe Bible Translators* to Chukudum in South Sudan for the Africa Inland Church, enabling more people to receive Gods word in their own language.

Ask God to bless the work of MAF's partners in Liberia. *Ethnos360* is planting churches through Bible lessons and teaching literacy classes. This year, MAF helped the organisation - formerly known as *New Tribes Mission* - to bring Gospel light to the land by transporting solar panels to power the printer that produces its materials.

'All Scripture is God - breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3: 16 - 17 NIV).' Pray that we - and all those who have received the Bible in their own language as a result of MAF's work - learn to love every aspect of God's word.

It is apt that MAF's very first flight by Pilot Betty Greene in 1946 was for *Wycliffe Bible Translators*, and we still fly their staff today! Take a moment to be still before the Lord and uphold their ministry.

Have faith that MAF's highly skilled pilots know how to maximise the impact of the precious cargo they carry. Give thanks that, in South Sudan, a flight to Malualkon carrying 5,000 solar power radios for *Every Village* was made possible by a refuelling stop in Wau. This enabled us to deliver a much bigger load for those requiring God's word.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR GOD TO SEND US WORKERS FOR THE HARVEST. MATTHEW 9 VERSE 38**