

**July - October 2017**

**W/c July 2nd**

**Child Sponsorship**

Praise God that we now have more than 300 children sponsored through the Ray of Hope scheme. Give thanks for a number of new sponsors who have taken up children recently. Pray that each child not only receives help with their education but also develops a personal relationship with Jesus. Pray for each of our supervisors in East Africa and for the UK team who coordinate correspondence to and from the projects.

**W/c July 9th**

**Butare Diocese, Rwanda**

Praise God for enthusiastic support from Bishop Nathan Gasatura and his team for our parish project initiatives. Give thanks that the community at Nkamatira parish has been blessed with training in health and family planning, with water tanks and with livestock. Pray that this practical help will draw the community ever closer together and give glory to God. Pray for a similar project to begin in Gasha parish.

**W/c July 16th**

**Stitches of Hope**

Praise God for each of our supporters who lovingly hand knitted and crocheted items and send them in to our warehouse. Pray for good health and energy for our team of packers who sort these goods for transport. Thank God for our ongoing partnership with Mission Without Borders to get the items to those in need. Pray that a recent consignment sent through MWB will reach families and orphanages in Eastern Europe safely. Pray that the recipients will know that everything comes with the love of God.

**W/c July 23rd**

**Kijjabwemi Orphans Project, Uganda**

Praise God for Rev. Canon Gaster Nsereko and the whole team at St. John's church, Masaka. Pray for Miss Mariam Biira as she coordinates the Orphans Project at Kijjabwemi. Pray for the church's outreach to the school and to the whole area. Pray for headmaster David Sigenda and his staff as they seek ways to improve the facilities at the primary school. Pray that each of the 600+ children in that school will know the love of God.

**We rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.... and hope does  
not disappoint us....**

**Romans 5:2-5**

**W/c July 30th**

**Publicity**

Praise God for the opportunities that we have to speak to church groups and other organisations about the work that God does through CHI. Pray that our magazines and updates will challenge, encourage and stimulate. Pray that new initiatives to encourage our church reps will be helpful. Pray that social media will encourage more young people to be involved. Pray for a good uptake of our cards and calendars and for the office team who put all this together.

**W/c August 6th**

**CRIB Orphanage, Bujumbura, Burundi**

Praise God for Chrissie Chapman & Libby Nahimana, the supervisors at CRIB. Pray for the ongoing practical difficulties of caring for the children in the midst of the political turmoil and economic deprivation in Burundi. Pray for the children whose education has been disrupted. Pray for a return to relative normality. Pray for a lifting of restrictions on mail sent to Burundi. Pray that CRIB students will be able to make a difference in their country.

**W/c August 13th**

**Samara's Aid**

Praise God for our partnership with Samara Levy and her charity Samara's Aid. Thank God for keeping Samara safe during her recent visit to the Middle East. Pray that this will give her fresh insight into meeting the needs of the people. Praise God that our recent two consignments from Romford reached Syria and the contents are making a difference. Pray that we will again be able to use our warehouse as a reception point for future consignments to the Middle East.

**W/c August 20th**

**Kibungo Diocese, Rwanda**

Praise God for our relationship with Bishop Emmanuel Ntazinda and his staff at Kibungo. Thank God that rains have finally come to ease the drought problems in this area. Pray for the families who had to leave their homes and sell livestock because of the lack of food. Pray that the communities will be able to recover and that the distribution of goats and bikes for lay pastors in Kibungo Diocese will bring practical benefits and encouragement.

**W/c August 27th**

**CHI staff, trustees & volunteers**

Praise God for His faithfulness as the charity celebrates 23 years. Pray for the office team as we implement some changes to roles and responsibilities. Pray for the trustees to have wisdom and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in their oversight and running of the charity. Thank God for each volunteer and supporter who give their time and finance to the work of the charity. Pray that everything we do will be done in the name of Jesus and for His glory.

**W/c September 3rd****Livestock & Agriculture**

Praise God that CHI has been supported with funds to enable the purchase of cows, pigs, goats, hens and seeds for needy families in Uganda and Rwanda. Thank God that this is not just practical but spiritual as the surplus is passed on to neighbours. Pray that this brings communities closer together and closer to God. Pray for areas that have been affected by drought. Give thanks for testimonies from the beneficiaries giving glory to God.

**W/c September 10th****Rakai & Kaleere Parishes, Uganda**

Praise God for our partnership with Rev. Canon Eriab Mugerwa and the work of the Bagonvu Elderly Foundation. Thank God that rains have come to this area to ease the food shortage but pray for those now affected by an outbreak of malaria. Thank God for the recent visit of a medical team to this remote community. Pray that CHI funds for medicines, crops and livestock and the building of shallow wells will bring relief and enable people to move forward.

**W/c September 17th****Shyogwe Diocese, Rwanda**

Praise God for Bishop Jered Kalimba and the team at Shyogwe. Pray for the witness of Vietty and Brigitte, supported through our Nurse+ Project. Give thanks for our parish project at Gisanga where 20 families have been supported with training, water tanks, livestock, seeds and Bibles. Pray for the spiritual and practical growth of this community. Thank God too for our ongoing support for St. Peter's College at Shyogwe.

**W/c September 24th****Education**

Praise God that CHI has been able to make a difference in a few schools with funds for refurbishment of school buildings, provision of school uniforms, equipment and lunches. Give thanks for the enthusiasm of the children to learn and for the raising of hope. Pray that they will also see God in this and commit their lives to Him. Pray for the many schools who continue to struggle with inadequate buildings, poorly paid staff and minimal books and equipment.

**W/c October 1st****Kimwanyi Parish, Uganda**

Praise God for the practical skills and spiritual wisdom of Rev. Patrick Ssimbwa and his family for all their work at Kimwanyi. Thank God for Parick's oversight of the Youth Camp and the Easter Cup sports event. Pray for the young people touched by these initiatives and for their discipleship. Pray for grandmother Mariam who has taken in two abandoned children. Pray for a united vision between church, school, health clinic and families as this community moves towards self-sufficiency.

**W/c October 8th**

**Kigeme Diocese, Rwanda**

Praise God for Bishop Augustin Mvunabandi and his team, especially two of his staff, Jean Nsabimana & Esther Mukabatsinda. Give thanks for their detailed report following the first 3-year cycle of the Loan4Hope microfinance scheme. Pray for Rev. Augustin Ntawuhigimana as he puts together a proposal for the next phase of this scheme. Thank God for the way Loan4Hope has given the church a new way of reaching out with the gospel in the community.

**W/c October 15th**

**Health**

Praise God that we currently have enough funds to support four nurses through the Nurse+ Project for another year. Pray for Prossy, Moses, Vietty and Brigitte and their families. Pray for the funding to enable more people to have health insurance in Rwanda. Pray for the many who are affected by malaria including partners known to us. Pray that the provision of mosquito nets and medicines will save lives especially among children.

**W/c October 22nd**

**Byumba Diocese, Rwanda**

Praise God for Bishop Emmanuel Ngendahayo and the team at Byumba, especially Rev. Thaddee Nshimiyimana and Mrs Didacienne Mukakayange who have oversight of over sixty Ray of Hope sponsored children there. Thank God that the children were able to receive new clothes at Christmas and many of the families have also received livestock. Pray for the practical difficulties of maintaining contact with church schools and families in this mountainous area with sometimes difficult access.

**W/c October 29th**

**Visit of CHI team to Rwanda**

Praise God for our relationship with Archbishop Onesphore Rwaje and his wife, Josephine Mujawiyera for many years. Pray for good communication between us as we plan a visit to Rwanda in 2018. Pray for wisdom about the itinerary as we try to visit all of our projects. Pray for the practical details of flights, accommodation, a driver and good health as we liaise with our partners. Pray that the visit will enable us to move forward with greater insight as we develop even more links with Rwanda.

**Test me in this says the Lord Almighty and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. Malachi 3:10**



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**Prayer Diary**