

W/c March 3rd

Education

Give thanks for the School Partners scheme in church schools in Gikonko, Shyogwe, Kibungo and Gasabo in Rwanda and Kijjabwemi, Uganda. Give thanks for the school uniform, basic education materials and lunches provided to the most needy students along with improved school facilities. Pray that our partners would provide good and timely feedback. Pray that the students would be attracted to Jesus as well as achieve their academic potential.

W/c March 10th

Kijjabwemi Parish

Give thanks for Reverend Canon Patrick and the skill, energy and dedication that he brings to a variety of projects. Give thanks for the youth conferences and practical community initiatives which have led to growth in faith and church attendance. Pray that the Parish staff and volunteers would be united in seeking growth in God's kingdom. Pray for an improvement in Patrick's health and for patience as he waits for the building of a new home.

W/c March 17th

Office and volunteers

Give thanks for the upgrade of some of our IT equipment and for Andy Alexander who carried out the work. Give thanks for a trouble free transition and that the new technology would enable the team to be more effective. Pray for Pauline Davidson as she takes on greater responsibility, and for Paul as he helps in the administration of the Child Sponsorship project. Pray for a way forward in the updating of our computer databases.

W/c March 24th

Gasabo Diocese, Rwanda

Praise God that the Archbishop's wife, Chantal Mbanda, has taken an active interest in our work in the Diocese and in overseeing the Field Assistant, Angelique, as she administers the child sponsorship, and the School Partner project at Hope Academy. Pray for good use of time and for wisdom as they provide pastoral care in the Diocese. Pray for the development of new projects that will deliver practical aid, give hope and provide Gospel opportunities.

**They celebrate your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.**

Psalm 145:7

W/c March 31st

Child Sponsorship

Praise God for the continued growth in the number of children sponsored. Pray that each child would achieve their academic potential and find their true identity in Christ. Pray for dedication and energy for the Field Assistants who maintain contact with the children and their families and for safety in travel. Pray for the new Field Assistant at Kijjabwemi, David Ssewankambo. May all those who administer our sponsorship project display the love of Jesus in all they do.

W/c April 7th

Rwanda

Please pray for Rwanda on 7th April as 2019 marks the 25th anniversary of the terrible genocide there. Give thanks for the peace and reconciliation that has occurred over the years, largely led by the Christian community, and pray particularly for those who continue to suffer, physically, spiritually and mentally as a result of that atrocity. Please pray that all Christians would bring *'the aroma of the knowledge of Christ'* into their homes, communities and countries.

W/c April 14th

Easter

Give thanks for the cross of Jesus. Pray that each of us would have a renewed awareness of what it cost our Lord and Saviour to leave the realms of glory, come down to earth, to a wicked and rebellious people. He offered himself as a sacrifice for us; for you and for me, so that our sins could be forgiven and become part of His family for eternity. It's all about His amazing Grace and nothing that we have done or merited. Praise the Lord !!

W/c April 21st

Partners

He is Risen!! Rejoice that Jesus has conquered death and that those who put their trust in Him are saved. Give thanks for our partners overseas who work tirelessly to bring this Good News to their communities along with the practical support supplied through CHI. Pray that God would open the eyes of those who receive these gifts to see Jesus. Pray too for those who support CHI financially, practically and prayerfully, that their dedication would point to Jesus who calls, inspires and equips us.

W/c April 28th

Stitches of Hope and Refugee aid

Praise God for our faithful knitters and for the love that each garment or blanket demonstrates. Pray that these gifts would be a blessing and encouragement to others and may our knitters rejoice in their service. Give thanks for our partnership with Samaras Aid and Mission Without Borders. Pray for a resolution to the problem of getting emergency aid into Syria. Pray for a good response to the Knitting and Crochet challenge to celebrate our 25th Anniversary and raise funds.

W/c May 5th**Publicity**

Give thanks for the dedicated work of those who design and produce our various cards, the calendar, and promotional materials. Pray that there would be a greater take up of these resources. Give thanks for all involved in producing and dispatching our regular magazine and pray that it would continue to challenge, engage and be relevant to all ages. Pray for an enhanced on-line presence, on the web, Facebook and Instagram. Pray for preparation for our Anniversary service on Sunday 12th May.

W/c May 12th**Anniversary service**

Give thanks for all those who have played a part in the work of CHI over the years. Pray for good attendance at the Anniversary services on 12th May and that that there would be great rejoicing in all the Lord has done over the years. Pray that others would be encouraged to get involved in the work. May everything that takes place point to Jesus and honour and glorify Him. Pray that the leadership of CHI would ensure that Jesus is at the centre of all the work.

W/c May 19th**Health**

Give thanks for the clinics we support at Shyogwe and Gikomero in Rwanda, and Kimwanyi, Uganda. Pray for wisdom for all the clinic staff in the use of very limited resources. Pray for our sponsored nurses Moses, Prossy, Vietty and Brigitte. Pray for energy, compassion and joy in their service and opportunities to share the love of Jesus with patients. Give thanks for those who regularly support the nurses and health initiatives. May other supporters catch the vision.

W/c May 26th**Shyogwe Diocese**

Praise God for the leadership and innovation shown by Bishop Jered, Rev. Jean Pierre and their colleagues. Give thanks for the continuing parish project at Gisanga, the new church building there and the way the community has taken ownership of these initiatives. Pray that Churches in the UK would prayerfully consider linking with a Church community in Uganda or Rwanda. Give thanks for the funding given to provide medicines and mosquito nets for Gikomero clinic and pray for the community outreach to improve health and nutrition.

W/c June 2nd**Livestock**

Give thanks for all the families and communities that have benefitted from CHI projects that provide garden equipment and livestock and the training to help develop independence and better supply their own needs. Pray that the legacy of these projects would be improved health, a willingness to contribute towards community activities and a desire to share their blessings with their neighbours. Pray against the effects of climate change, that the rains would come as expected and for the animals to be free from disease.

W/c June 9th**Rakai and Kaleere, Uganda**

Praise God for Reverend Canon Eriab, his son Samuel and for Enos who oversee our projects in the Parish. Give thanks for the provision of water pumps, livestock, school uniform and lunches, the visit of a medical team and for the community led classroom building project. Pray now for funding for doors, windows and school furniture. Pray for the eucalyptus tree project to be productive and for wise use of resources to promote independence. Pray that these initiatives would build community spirit and opportunities for Gospel outreach.

W/c June 16th**Spiritual growth**

Praise God for the faithful witness of our partners in the Anglican Church in Rwanda and Uganda and for their skills in developing projects that build up their communities in spiritual and practical ways. Give thanks for the 2 Youth Conferences held in Rakai and Kijjabwemi, Uganda in the autumn. Give thanks for each youngster that attended and responded to the Gospel. Pray for continued growth in the church and the need for urgency in bringing the Good News of Jesus as well as practical aid.

W/c June 23rd**Butare**

Praise God for Bishop Nathan and his staff as they work tirelessly to bring the love of Jesus to their communities. Give thanks for the Vocational Training Centre at Mubumbano and the enthusiasm of the students not only to develop their practical skills but to express their love for the Lord Jesus. Pray for the 2 students, Friend Himbaza (leatherwork) and Agnes Nyiracumi (tailoring) that were supported by CHI last year. May they and all the students seek to honour and glorify God as they continue their studies and seek employment.

W/c June 30th**Byumba**

Give thanks for our partnership with Bishop Emmanuel, Rev Thaddee and Didacienne. Pray for energy, wisdom and enthusiasm as they go about their work. Pray for the Youth Union and their president, Ferdinand, as they grow in their faith and explore ways to create simple work opportunities for the members. Pray for the success of the bakery project and other potential projects. Give thanks for the 60 children sponsored, many living in distant and remote parts of the Diocese.

**But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives
in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread
the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere.**

2 Corinthians 2:14-15