
Koinonia Prayer Requests

This week we are looking at Yemen and Iran, as our persecuted countries.

- As with a lot of these Islamic countries. Leaving Islam is forbidden there and if discovered, Christians face the death penalty, all Yemenis are considered Muslims by the state.
- Iran is slightly different than Yemen in that many Iranians are nominal Muslims and so some new Christians can find acceptance from their families. Converts from stricter Muslim families face persecution at home. Christians from Armenian and Assyrian communities are recognised and protected by the state, but still treated as third class citizens. They are not allowed to tell others about Jesus or to speak in Persian during their church services.
- Covid has hit a lot of these countries hard and many believers are in desperate need of food and medical aid.
- Pray that God would comfort Christians who have been imprisoned for their faith, may they hear God speaking to them. Pray for all those who are persecuted for their faith and that He would give them opportunities to tell others about Himself and pray He would provide food and medical assistance.
- Could we pray for all those in prison, every time I think of folk in prison I think of the story of the sheep and the goats and the only difference between the two lots of people was what they did or didn't do so I pray we would be the people that DO.
- Pray for the Christian courses like Alpha, Christianity Explored and the discipleship courses in prison, for repentance and renewal.
- We prayed some time ago that Diana's flat would sell, it has been on the market for two years so please could we all pray by the next prayer list she would have had an offer.
- Thinking of Malawi please continue to pray for Dennis, Sheila and their family for Syford, Elizabeth, I know we have been praying for their son Lovemore with addiction to alcohol so please just continue to pray.
Pray for the irrigation system so they have enough food to feed the children in the pre-schools and those who are hungry.
- Tony and Barbara have asked if we could pray for Bob Proia who is in America with his family, pray that he gets back to the UK safely. They have also asked if we would pray for the pastoral candidates.
- Denise has asked us all to pray her neighbour's toddler who was born with special needs. He recently had an operation at Great Ormond Street hospital and will have to have more operations in the future. Please pray for him, his Mum, his father and brother.

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- Carmen the Contemporary Christian Music (CCM) singer/evangelist (one of mine & Pats favourites) sadly died on Tuesday for those who haven't already heard, pray for his wife and family.
- Graham's brother Dennis died from Covid; Susan asks for those who aren't already praying for Graham, Samantha and the children please would they do so, thank you.
- We were praying for Vicki's neighbour baby she has now had the baby who is still in hospital and very unwell and will need life-long dialysis, we know with God nothing is impossible so please pray for her and her baby.
- Vicki's sister-in-law Clair is struggling with depression during this lockdown as she tries to look after her children. Also, Trevor, Vicki's friend in London, as she supports him practically and emotionally which of course puts a strain on herself, so please pray for Vicki as well.
- I have no further news of James, Susan, Leo or Leah, just pray for Gods continual protection on them all.
- Eileen's treatment is going to be slow and over a very long period, so please keep her and Barry in your prayers over this time. Also, Eileen has a problem relating to her eye sight so pray for this as well.
- As a fellowship could we encourage each other and pray for one another daily perhaps we could choose 2-3 different folk to pray for each day.
- I guess everybody has been praying for Geoff, so please continue to keep Geoff in your prayers as he recuperates at home and pray for Brenda for strength so she can look after him.
- Chris is moving to Somerset on Tuesday the 23rd please pray his move will go well and that he would settle in quickly. Also, that he will find a loving Evangelical, Bible believing church in Taunton.

Thank you all,

Stay safe,

Billy