



The Mathetes Trust Prayer Diary



October - December 2017

Welcome to the Mathetes Trust prayer diary, which invites you to pray for the work of the Trust with local churches in the UK and with Rooted in Jesus in Africa.

October week 1: Mission in Purley

- We have just concluded a one week parish mission at St Mary's, Purley on Thames. Please pray for all those who have been touched by the mission, and for vicar David Archer and the follow-up team
- For the visiting team as they return to their homes and workplaces
- For Edward Morgan and Pelin Zahidler, getting married on October 6th!

October week 2: Mission in Breaston

- For the parish mission at St Michael's Anglican Church and Breaston Methodist Church, Breaston, Derbyshire, led by Roger Morgan and Richard Scott, which runs from 9th to 15th
- For all those invited to events during the mission, that they would be drawn closer to Jesus
- For the home and visiting teams as they share their faith with friends
- For vicar Chris Smedley (Anglican) and Arnold Dixon (Methodist) as they lead the follow-up in their respective churches next week

October week 3: Diocese of Mityana, Uganda

- For the Rooted in Jesus follow-up team led by Revd Tim Carter to the Diocese of Mityana this week and next.
- For Coordinator John Musaasizi and his colleague Jethro as they encourage and support the group leaders.
- For Bishop Stephen Kaziimba as he leads the diocese forward in discipleship and growth.
- For the team and the group leaders that they would be drawn closer to God and anointed for ministry by the Holy Spirit.



October week 4: Diocese of Fianarantsoa, Madagascar

- Give thanks for the 84 Sunday School teachers who completed the Rooted in Jesus Junior training

conference in August. RinJ Junior is launched across the diocese this month.

- Pray for Revd Jean Flobert, Vicar General of the diocese and RinJ Coordinator.
- For Sunday School teachers facing particular challenges - one whose house burned down, one who has no regular salary despite working as a teacher, one who desires a Christian husband, one who prays for peace in her marriage.
- For the Morgan family, travelling to Turkey this week for Ed & Pelin's wedding party.

November week 1: For the growth of Christian discipleship in the UK

- For Revd Colin Cooper and St Lawrence Chesterfield, who have completed the first two books of our UK discipleship programme 'The God Who is There' and are moving onto the third, *Shining Like Stars*.
- For Revd Stuart Gay and St Philip's Margate, whose small groups are about to move on to *The New Community*, the second book of TGWIT.
- For all those using our poetry collection *Something Understood* for prayer and discussion - copies are often given to non Christian friends, or used in book groups.
- For all those using our *Beautiful Lives* evangelism course and *In His Name* healing course.

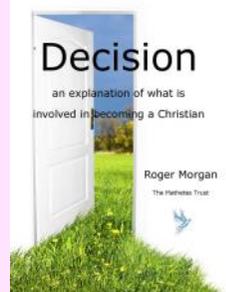
November week 2: Rooted in Jesus conferences in Uganda

- For the RinJ team led by Mike Cotterell working this week in the Diocese of Soroti. This is the first time we have visited this diocese. Pray for those attending the conference (6-9th Nov), for Coordinator Emmanuel Elianu, and for team members James Tumwesigye, Ben Brady and Lucy Henderson.
- For the RinJ team led by Mike Cotterell moving next week to the Diocese of Karamoja (13-16th Nov), for Bishop Joseph Abura as he leads his growing diocese, coordinator John Onyao and all those leading RinJ groups. This is

Making a decision to follow Jesus

'The best decision anyone can ever make, at any point in life, in any circumstances, whoever they are, wherever they are, whatever they are, is to become a disciple of Jesus Christ' - Justin Welby.

Please pray for those reading our new publication *Decision - an explanation of what is involved in becoming a Christian*. Hundreds of copies of this will be given out at the two parish missions in October.



our second visit to this diocese.

November week 4: For The Mathetes Trust

- For Roger Morgan, Director of TMT - for wisdom, encouragement and good health as he continues to serve the Lord in all he does.
- For John English, our part time Administrator, and for Kinga Gorak as she helps with formatting of the RinJ books - that they would know the Lord's blessing in every aspect of their lives.
- For Alison Morgan, as she begins to think about her next writing project.
- For trustees Mike Cotterell and Andrew Evans and for their churches and families, giving thanks for answered prayer in the last few months.

November week 3: The Diocese of Toliara, Madagascar

- For Bishop Todd and Revd Patsy McGregor leading this young and growing diocese in one of the poorest regions of the world.
- For the Sunday School teachers using Rooted in Jesus Junior across the diocese following the training in August, and for coordinator Revd Donne Ratsimavo and Sunday School Coordinator Nolavy Arisoa.
- For CMS missionaries Derek & Jane Waller, moving to Toliara where they will coordinate discipleship across the diocese.



December week 1: For our EQUIP programme for church leaders

- For the EQUIP group led by Canon John Benson in North Wales, and for John and Anita that they would know the Lord's blessing and encouragement.
- For members of the EQUIP groups which meets in Kent and Leicestershire, and their churches.
- For members of the EQUIP group which meets in Wiltshire, and their churches - for mutual encouragement and growth in all these places.
- For Alison Morgan at the Charismatic and Pentecostal Leaders' Conference this week, for vision and refreshment.

December week 2: For financial provision for our work

- Please pray that the Lord would continue to release the financial support we need for our work in the UK - to meet the costs of travel, administration and the publication of new resources.
- Please pray that the Lord would continue to release the financial support we need for our work in Africa - Rooted in Jesus offers hope for growth in some

of the poorest and most troubled regions in the world, and is reliant entirely on donations to cover conference and printing costs.

December week 3: Specific prayer requests

- For the Diocese of Kiteto, Tanzania, and coordinator Anderson Lesijila as he plans to support new groups in those parishes which do not yet have them
- For the Dioceses of Victoria Nyanza and Kibondo, Tanzania, hoping to introduce RinJ Junior next year
- For Nelson Saya, visiting the South Sudanese refugee camps in Uganda this month to provide further training to Rooted in Jesus group leaders
- For Bishop Martin and Colleen Breytenbach following their marriage in October. Martin is the Chair of Growing the Church, which oversees the ministry of Rooted in Jesus in South Africa.
- For Lucy Hefford, team member this year to Madagascar, as she discerns future direction following the completion of her training at all Nations College

December week 4: Looking ahead

- For Bishop Martyn Snow as he takes over the Chair of the Archbishops' College of Evangelists, of which Alison is a member, and for the Council of the College as it considers how to best to promote the ministry of evangelism throughout the UK in the coming years.
- For those parishes considering holding mission weeks with us in 2018, and for dioceses planning Rooted in Jesus conferences.
- For Richard Scott and Through Faith Missions, for a strong and fruitful partnership with the Mathetes Trust.
- **For all of us and you as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, conscious of what he has done for us and determined to honour him in all we do.**



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