



PRAYER DIARY

APRIL 2024

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16

1st / 2nd Give thanks for the weekly Saturday Club. We have been encouraged by the boy's attendance and willingness to talk openly about their home and school life. Pray that God would give the staff the grace and wisdom to guide the boys through difficult times. Pray for one of the boys who has a difficult home life and is given many responsibilities, including looking after his younger sister who is severely disabled.

3rd / 4th Over the last few months the Kenyan government have introduced several new taxes, increases and new registration requirements. These are impacting us financially. The organisation has to pay a percentage per employee. More concerning is the proposed new registration requirements for employees. This will mean that every worker, casual or permanent, will need to be registered by the organisation when they start and when they finish. This will have a significant impact on our ability to employ parents for the APT project on a casual basis. Many only work for a few days to help with immediate needs and the work days are shared between many parents as their need arises. This work has been a massive blessing to families and has been the source of income that has enabled many children to access education. To register and unregister every parent each month would be very time consuming for Beatrice, costly for the organisation, and the procedure is not always straightforward. We are also convinced that nearly all parents will be put off the work because of having to register and pay the fees. Many will not be able to register because they do not have ID and the process of getting ID takes many months. Some don't even have birth certificates to be able to get ID. We have sought legal advice about this issue to make sure we are complying with the law. Currently, it is not enforceable because it is being disputed in

the courts. Please pray for this matter, that God will intervene and we will be able to continue providing work for parents on a casual basis. Pray that our financial needs would be met to cover the tax increases.

5th / 6th Pray for the holiday bible club starting this month for 3 weeks. Pray that God would provide for all the practical and financial needs for running the club. Pray for staff as they prepare for the club and then lead it. Ask God to prepare the hearts of the children and parents and give them understanding of His word.

7th / 8th Pray that God would provide for the needs of children, that they would enjoy good health and loving homes. Pray that we would see children come to know Jesus as Lord and Saviour at a young age.

9th / 10th Pray that our mentoring programme in schools would be effective in the lives of the boys and glorify God. Pray that God would give John the ability and willingness to identify with the boys and give guidance based on God's word.

11th / 12th Give thanks for the men who have come to the men's breakfast. Pray that the meetings would provide the men with an opportunity to share personal issues and as they learn more about Jesus they will become convinced of their need of salvation. Pray that God would help them to become responsible husbands and fathers.

13th / 14th Give thanks to God for the financial and material donations we receive that sustain the work. Pray that as the year continues it would please God to send new donors and people to help with the work.

15th / 16th We give thanks for the growth of the APT and how God has enabled us to spread awareness and skills around Kenya. Give thanks that another organisation wants to train with us and start their own workshop in a different area of Kenya. Pray for us and The Walkabout Foundation as we start to plan and prepare for a training course later in the year.



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We love because he first loved us.

1 John 4:19

17th/18th Disabled children are discriminated against when mainstream schools refuse to admit them. It can be hard to convince teachers and headteachers that with understanding and support, children with disabilities can learn well. Many children are left at home and never given the opportunity to learn. We thank God that last month we have been able to advocate for one girl and her family and she has now started at her local school. There is one teacher who is very caring and positive about her education and has made a huge effort to learn ways to communicate with the girl and include her in lessons. Pray for this girl, that she will get every opportunity to learn and enjoy a positive experience of school. Pray for her teacher as she learns how to communicate and teach the girl at her own level. Pray that God would soften the hearts of the other teachers who have been negative towards her, and help them to see the girl's potential and her as a blessing to the school.

19th/20th Give thanks that last month God enabled us to provide 36 girls from a local school with reusable sanitary pads as part of our Cycle with Dignity project. The girls are given an opportunity to ask written questions anonymously. Worryingly, most of the questions asked centre around inappropriate sexual relationships and sexual abuse. Pray that God would grant safety for these girls, give them courage to tell someone who can help and bring an end to all ungodly relationships. Pray that God would convict the perpetrators of their sin and they would turn to God in repentance.

21st/22nd Give thanks for Crosspoint Bible Church and their faithful preaching of God's word every Sunday evening in Njoro. Pray that God would save those attending and we would see lives transformed through the simple proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

23rd/24th Pray for grandparents that are caring for their disabled grandchildren because they have been abandoned by the Mum. Pray God would use us in their lives to ease their burden and show them love. Pray that neighbours and friends would come in to support and encourage them when possible.

25th/26th A young boy from one of the families we work with recently went on to the streets with a group of boys. Thank God that he has returned home safe. Pray God would give us wisdom as we try to guide this boy and ask Him to protect young boys from dangerous influences of bad company. Pray that their hearts would soften so they will be willing to change and to obey God.

27th/28th Unemployment is a huge problem in Njoro. The majority of parents we work with rely on casual farm or house work which is low pay and not always available. Pray that God would open doors of employment and provide work for men and women that would give them sufficient funds to provide for their families.

29th/30th Pray that Christ would remain at the centre of everything we do and say. That we will not despise any correction of the Lord, as an organization or as individuals, for God corrects those that he loves. Pray that God would help us discern His will and follow His path as faithful servants demonstrating God's goodness, faithfulness and grace. Pray that at all times we will give God ALL the praise and glory for what He is doing through us and in us.