
August Prayer Points

One day children were brought to Jesus in the hope that he would lay hands on them and pray over them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus intervened: "Let the children alone, don't prevent them from coming to me. God's kingdom is made up of people like these." After laying hands on them, he left.

Matthew 19: 14-15 The Message

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Praise Points for August...

Well last month I asked you to pray for the up coming kids club - the top photo shows you the five boys who made a life changing decision to follow Jesus on the second last day. So thank you for all of you who prayed for this time, it certainly was a very fruitful week and the leaders really all need to be commended for the work they did with the kids. The children came from a children's home, from the local community as well as some of the kids from the street kids project - and each one of them was well behaved and delightful to spend a week with them.

Praise too for the dedicated leaders (pictured below left), all of whom attended my Sunday School training earlier in the year and are now all using their new skills in a very practical and rewarding way.

On the same day that the kids gave their lives to Christ, Revival Palace ministries also were running their crusade for the week (I think they could hear it in Uganda!). The last couple of nights they had an outdoor crusade and the night I went they had over 30 adults who decided to give their lives to Christ - so praise God there was a lot of rejoicing in heaven that one day!

The third photo here is of my language teacher (sorry I cant move the photo down so I have chopped her head off a little), who is just about ready to give birth to her first baby. Last Sunday a few of us worked together and gave her a surprise baby shower - it was a real blessing to her and it was a great surprise to me to see her Mum there and support her at this time, especially when she found family support in the beginning a lot more difficult. Please remember Juliette in the next few weeks as she anxiously awaits the arrival of her baby girl.

For me I give praise that while a lot of people were gone over the 'summer' that Flora and I survived and many people are now returning again and our support basis is just about back in tow.

I also praise God for continued opportunities to share life with people and just about every day learning another new thing about the people of this country.



And some prayer points...

My greatest prayer point this week and the inspiration behind writing a prayer letter just now, is that our Nanny to Flora - Lea, has been away since last Tuesday and has been in hospital since Thursday diagnosed with cerebral malaria. I understand that she came home from hospital today but I told her to stay home at least for Monday - Wednesday and let me know how she is feeling for Thursday. She thought she could come back on Tuesday, but I asked her to make sure she is completely better. It is quite uncommon I believe for cerebral malaria to be in Rwanda, but still a stark and scary reality for so many. I am unsure of Lea's living conditions but I imagine they are fairly basic, so please add her to your prayer list for good health and to be cleared of the malaria.

So who has had Flora you ask - you got that right - I have had her, thankfully my Thursday and Fridays are more flexible although I did work at the cafe on Saturday and my friend Linda babysat for the day. So we are working it out, and so far we are coping with all the chores I once took for granted that Lea does - like mopping these rotten tiles. Its not just mopping, its a piece of wood, covered in a dirt rag cloth that you wash the floor with. On Friday I didn't 'squidgy' it and the floors looked worse than before I started, so today I mopped, then squidgy, then mopped again with a dry cloth, and my front and back doors were both open to allow the air to flow - just as I was emptying the dirty water from the bucket a whopping dust storm blew in and dirtied my clean floors again!!! So then I swept them all over again. Give me carpet and a dyson anyday! Yes we would also value your prayers as Flora has had to join me on a few tasks this week, and juggling work, house, a baby and two guest from Australia tomorrow will be somewhat interesting to say the least!

On Tuesday it will be one year since I left Australia, and more than one year since I have had a holiday, so early in September I am joining some friends on a holiday and Flora will stay here with Lea during the days and will sleep the nights at another friends house. I would appreciate your prayers for a smooth transition for Flora and that she won't hate me when I return! I will be away for 7 nights.

Whenever we did training to come to Rwanda the A-Z guide of training always said F is for flexibility! So the completed national early childhood curriculum that was ready to present to the Rwandan Education Board as an outline - now needs to be 'detailed' with each lesson included in it - so it is now a work in progress again! The registration for the Kings College is also being delayed due to limited funds for building the college so on each page that has the Kings College will now also need to be changed to Revival Palace Ministries! Pray for my patience and perseverance to continue working on this document and meeting all the requirements even through change.

