

MISSIONARY

PRAY FOR MUSLIMS DURING RAMADAN, May 6th-June 4th

30 Days of Prayer is a global movement of Christians praying for Muslims during their fasting month, with faith, hope & love since 1993. The Prayer Guide is produced in 30+ languages worldwide.

Ramadan is a key spiritual time for Muslims as they seek God in fasting and prayer. Many Muslims see visions of Jesus during this time. 30 Days of Prayer is an excellent resource that helps us to pray for many more Muslims to discover the love of Jesus this Ramadan.

The theme this year is "Hospitality", such an important part of Islamic cultures. The articles contributed are from across Africa, Ocean Islands, from Europe to the provinces of China. Offering kindness and generosity to guests is considered a duty one owes to God. Many believe that in so doing they honour and welcome God.

Different cultures express their hospitality in different ways - but always characterised by generosity and self-sacrifice.

Tomorrow, Day 1, focuses on **The Fulani people of the Sahel**, the largest nomadic people group in the world - 35 million roaming from East to West across Africa, the largest unreached people group in Africa. Our friends, Phil and Carolyn (now back in the UK), served among them in the West Sahel.

Issata - like many Fulani women - lives 9-10 months in the village without her husband. He travels as a shepherd or in a trade across the Sahel.

Her life centres around "Koddirgal" (hospitality) - the highest value in the Fulani Code of Conduct! She serves them generously and willingly until they go - whether it's for hours or years...This is the Fulani way - a welcome with no limits.

To Pray: that, as Fulani families extend hospitality to others, they would experience the One who said, "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me." (Revelation 3:20)

To Pray: that Fulani women alone in their villages would experience God's protection, provision and peace like the widow of Zarephath, who put God first by serving the prophet Elisha (1 Kings 17:7-16)

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# In Touch

*Praise the LORD!*

*Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever!*

*Psalms 106: 1*

SUNDAY 5TH MAY 2019

## **10.30 AM MORNING MEETING**

Welcome to our services today  
Jonny will be preaching on **1 Corinthians 9: 1-18**  
Communion will follow the service

A crèche facility is available for very young children should you require it during the morning service.

Following the service many of us will be enjoying refreshments together and we warmly welcome you to join us.

## **6.00 PM MEETING**

We meet again for a worship this evening  
Keith will be preaching on **Joshua 9: 1-27**

If you have any questions regarding today's services or concerning the church please speak to Jonny (Pastor) afterwards

Sermons are available in MP3 format on our website; [www.upneybaptist.org.uk](http://www.upneybaptist.org.uk)

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# DIARY DATES

**TUESDAY:**

7.30pm Prayer & Bible Study Meeting

**WEDNESDAY:**

2.00pm Ruth Leigh, Beehive, Suffolk  
6.15-7.45pm Girl's Brigade: (5yrs.-14+ yrs.)

**THURSDAY:**

6.30-8.00pm Explorers - Boys & Girls (Reception-yr.5)  
6.30-8.00pm Impact - Boys & Girls (yr. 6 + yrs.)

**FRIDAY:**

7.00am Prayer meeting

**SATURDAY:**

1.00pm **WEDDING OF PASTOR JONNY & HANNAH  
AT ST, PETER'S CHURCH, HAROLD WOOD.**

**SUNDAY:**

10.15am Prayer Meeting  
10.30am Keith Ferdinando  
2.30pm Harp House  
6.00pm Andrew Kueh

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**Dates for diary:**

**There is to be a short meeting after the morning service on 12th May to discuss plans for the Summer Mission.**

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The Church Away Day has been booked for September 21st, The venue is Gt. Chesterford, Saffron Walden. Put it in your diary now.

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**Jonny & Hannah would be delighted if you could make their wedding ceremony on Saturday 11th May at 1.00pm at St. Peters', Harold Wood, RM3 OQA. There is free parking in the streets near the church building.**

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PRAYER REQUESTS

✠ "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." *Philippians 4:6* *✠*

We are sorry to announce the death of Ken Luck, last Wednesday. Ken and his wife, June, served the Lord in this church for many years. Our sympathy & prayers are with their children Peter & Kerry and their grandchildren.

MONDAY: News from W. Sahel . Our friends Phil & Carolyn returned from W. Sahel and are now enjoying a rest & catching up with family & friends. They are spending 2 weeks with their home church in Guildford. The situation in Africa is not encouraging. Security is deteriorating. Believers and workers, also ordinary families, need God's peace & protection at all times. Please pray.

TUESDAY: A few of our folk have been going through a tough time this past week. Brenda Blows was taken into hospital on Wednesday and Christine Cook and Val Bebbington have also been admitted to hospital. Please pray for them.

WEDNESDAY: The spring edition of the Falconer Trust newsletter is on the back table, **please take a copy.** We have been supporting them for many years. They are facing many challenges & hardships. Please pray for them.

THURSDAY: Continue to pray for those who need a healing touch: Paul Bebbington, Rebecca Standing, Graham & Christine King, Nathaniel Chesney, Les Lange, John & Sylvia Price, Liz Henry, Rebecca Standing, Norma Callcut, Linda Young, Maggie Woodvine, Mary Servante, Cathie Hughes, Alan & Ann May, Joyce Sparks, Matthew Wilson, Rebekah Lindsay, Jimmy Martin, Jenny McClenaghan, Colin Wylde, Martyn Fisher, Jeannie Hurrell, Sharon Crawley, Emma Wylde, Cathy Hughes friend Frank Ellis.

FRIDAY: Continue to pray for our Government & country. Things are certainly not improving! We need more Christian MPs.

SATURDAY: Congratulations to Jonny & Hannah as they today, commit themselves in unity to each other and to God in marriage. Pray they will have a very happy day and a God filled life together.

SUNDAY: Pray for the services today. Keith is preaching in the morning and Andrew Kueh in the evening.

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Pick up a Falconer Trust Newsletter from the back table