### Mission and Outreach: Keith Croxton

## The Centre:

Amir was the successful applicant for The Centre Manager job and takes over from Judith at the end of June.

**Please pray** for Amir as he completes his training during June.

**Give thanks** for all Judith has done for The Centre. She has developed the work/ministry there significantly ensuring The Centre is indeed a sacred place in the heart of the Buckingham, demonstrating God's love and compassion.

The work replacing the roof tiles has begun and will last until June 21<sup>st</sup>. It is more disruptive then we hoped so **please pray** that it can be successfully managed so we can remain open.

#### Mission and Outreach:

Please pray for these mission partners this month

**SOMA**: SOMA (Sharing of Ministries Abroad) enables encounters with God which envisions and equips leaders for mission and evangelism. We will partnering with them In Africa and Will is currently on a mission trip to Tanzania with SOMA.

**Open Doors:** supports and helps resource persecuted Christians throughout for example in China, Iran and North Korea

#### **Food Bank:**

**Please continue to pray** for families in our community who are struggling with the cost of living. Pray that the food parcels will make a real difference to their lives and that through this ministry they may know something of God's love

## **Created Creative (CC): Emma Elias**



**Thank God** for an encouraging month, for all He has done in May and for the sessions that have taken place.

Please pray for those people He has touched and brought healing to through creativity last month, that He will protect each heart and continue to minister to them and draw them closer to Him.

**Pray** that the Lord will use the adverts we have placed in the Church Times and Christian magazines to highlight and encourage how He can meet us through creativity and strengthen and restore us.

**Please pray** for the CC team, for protection, strength and energy and for the Lord to continue to lead new team members to join us in His timing. **Please pray** for the sessions coming up in June.

Thank you for your prayers and support for this ministry area, we appreciate and value you standing with us.

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# Our Church link St John's & St Wilfrid's Bradford under John Bavington



We give thanks for the 'Love BD7' mission week and the opportunities we had to reach out to those living in the three communities, and for the wonderful support provided by the SOMA team. Please pray as we continue on this journey in BD7 in the coming weeks and months.

We give thanks too for the Pentecost Praise and Worship

Celebration held in the city centre. **Praise God** for a wonderful afternoon and the good weather.

**Please pray** for St Columba's Church - especially Jan Nicholson as she leads the Sunday evening congregation, and Andi Calvert and team, as some of the daily activities planned there will soon start taking place.

[St John's, St Wilfrid's and St Columba's Churches are to be known as 'The BD7 Churches' going forward]

# Prayer for the World: Zena Greig

Please pray for Will and Ashley in their second week in Tanzania. The team has now scattered to train and minister at parish level.

Praise God for this wonderful opportunity for them both and pray for

- good health and renewed strength
- protection physically, spiritually and emotionally for them and their families
- the Holy Spirit to use them in amazing ways to bless and encourage the Tanzanian church
- them both that they will be encouraged in their own discipleship through this visit

# **Open Doors: Betsy Kolkea**



The church in **Libya** was vibrant in the early centuries of Christianity. Historical sites include Christian places of worship and baptismal pools.

But today, **Libya is the third most dangerous country** in which to be a Christian. Most signs of Christianity were

wiped out in the seventh century following the arrival of Islam, and Islamic oppression today is strong. Libyans who convert to Christianity face violence, abduction, sexual violence and murder. It is dangerous to meet together, and the church is almost non-existent.

In March 2023 six Libyan Christians were arrested for sharing their faith. They face the death penalty but miraculously their arrest is resulting in more and more people becoming curious about Christianity for the first time.

**Let's pray** for these six, for every Libyan Christian, and for a thirst for God and truth to be awakened.



# The MOG Report

Ministries we value and support.

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