

PRAYER DIARY

As Ukraine faces a second Christmas at war, celebrations will be different again this year. Where they can, families will come together to share baked goods and remember God's love and faithfulness, as they continue to pray for an end to the war.

Thank God for sustaining Christian leaders through another incredibly difficult year. Please pray...

- For refreshment over Christmas for church and ministry leaders who are facing deep emotional and spiritual exhaustion.
- For church leaders as they provide pastoral support at this time of year to people who
- have lost homes and family members, and are struggling to find hope.
- For Ruvim, who is leading a ministry team to repair bomb-damaged homes. He is struggling to plan for a long-term vision but is being supported by Innovista.

9th _ 15th

CENTRAL ASIA

WEEK TWO

Christmas is a time for hospitality and sharing the good news of Jesus. Christians in Central Asia will open their homes and small church groups to celebrate together. Trusted friends and family will be invited to share the celebration and hear the gospel, often for the first time.

Thank God for 23 leaders from 5 countries, who gathered for a safe and successful training event last month. Thank you for standing with leaders and helping make this happen. Please pray...

- That God will help sustain exciting new partnerships formed at this training event.
- For safety as Christians celebrate Jesus' birth in Muslim majority countries, where celebrating Christmas can be dangerous.
- For Christian leaders who see Christmas as a chance to show God's love to the overlooked in Central Asian society.
- For B*, one leader whose church is using Christmas as an opportunity to bring hope to children in orphanages.

For many Ukrainian refugees in Moldova, and churches working with them, Christmas can be especially hard. Thanks to supporters like you, leaders supported by Innovista will be working with refugees, children, teens, and vulnerable families this Christmas.

Thank God for a fruitful year of supporting leaders from different ministries and denominations across Moldova. Please pray...

- For a youth leader called
 Timofey, who is being coached
 through a difficult time
 for his ministry. Like many
 other leaders, he is losing
 team members to study and
 emigration abroad.
- For the leaders of an exciting project which houses and supports vulnerable teenage
- girls to help them finish school. The leadership team is receiving training to work together more effectively and plan for the future of the project.
- For Christians across Moldova who are using Christmas as a chance to share the love of God with their communities.

23rd - 31st

IRELAND and **GB**

WEEK FOUR

Christmas is a time when many people are more open to Christianity than they normally would be. Churches across the UK and Ireland will be opening their doors for special festive services and to share the hope of Jesus.

Thank God for fresh opportunities in the UK and Ireland to work with new leaders from diverse backgrounds. Please pray...

- For a church leadership team in Ireland who are receiving vital training and coaching following a difficult season for their church.
- That churches who are partnering with Innovista to support leaders in Ukraine, Moldova and Central Asia would be encouraged.
- For church leaders who are mobilising their churches to support vulnerable families this Christmas.
- For the Holy Spirit to bring unity between leaders and churches as they seek to radically declare the hope of Jesus this Christmas.

Supporting Christian leaders where they're needed most

Future Dates for Prayer Events

Join us for our monthly Zoom prayers, and stand with Christian leaders who are serving in challenging places:

- Thursday 14th December 7.30am and 7.30pm (GMT)
- Thursday 18th January 7.30am and 7.30pm (GMT)

Please register **here** and you will be sent the Zoom details. If you have any questions **please email Lydia**. See you there!

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