



Thinking about long-term investment doesn't only mean looking to the past. As we pray for Christian leaders this month, we're praying for partnerships that are just beginning. We pray that these newer relationships will have a long-lasting impact on leaders and their communities.

# September **PRAYER DIARY**

At a conference earlier this year, Innovista met a number of leaders involved in planting new churches in Odesa - in the south of Ukraine.

Thank God for these local Christian leaders who are passionate about bringing the good news of Jesus to communities within their region.

## PLEASE PRAY

- For safety as these churches respond to the needs around them, following a fresh wave of air attacks on Odesa.
- For the new church plant teams to have clarity about what they want to achieve and how they will do that.

Training will help them define their aims, and develop a plan themselves.

- That over the next year, these teams will learn from each other as they complete the Tempo course together.

In Central Asia, many Christians have been raised to think that faith and their everyday work should be kept separate.

Thank God for the 'Faith at Work' programme in Central Asia, which is equipping teachers to live out their faith in the workplace.

## PLEASE PRAY

- For a group of Christian business owners as they meet for a conference this week. They have been meeting to be coached by Baha over the past year.
- For safety as these Christian businesspeople and church leaders gather, in a country

where Christian events are heavily monitored by the state.

- That everyone at the conference will learn from each other, and encourage one another to think of all workplaces as places for mission.

Christians in rural Moldova can often feel isolated, as many Christians live in the bigger towns and cities. A small but determined team in the village of Leuşeni recently connected with Innovista.

**Thank God for:**

The team there, consisting of a young pastor called Pavel, a young woman called Sabina and an older woman called Valentina. Training has helped strengthen trust within the team, and they are learning to manage their gifts and resources.

**PLEASE PRAY**

- For Sabina as she welcomes a dozen new children to Sunday school, following a successful outreach summer camp.
- For each team member to grow in leadership skills and confidence as they receive individual coaching sessions from Innovista staff.
- That other rural Christians in Moldova would be able to find support and fellowship, like the team from Leuşeni has.

The Ireland team has been working with the board of Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Ireland, as they set their vision for the future.

Thank God for the work that CAP Ireland does with churches to help set people free from debt, and be introduced to Jesus.

**PLEASE PRAY**

- That this training will help the board and CEO clarify their vision, values and purpose as an organisation.
- For the team as they decide how to prioritise their goals and actions for the coming year.
- That this training will enable CAP Ireland to reach even more people in Ireland who are struggling with debt.

# Supporting Christian leaders where they're needed most

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

- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September**  
7.30am and 7.30pm (GMT+1)
- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**  
7.30am and 7.30pm (GMT+1)

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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*Cover Image: Leaders in Odesa, Southern Ukraine, are serving their communities. To do this as effectively as possible, six teams from Odesa are starting the **Tempo Course** this month.*

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