



# November **PRAYER DIARY**

Across all of the challenging contexts we work in, Christian leaders are pioneering new ministries. Innovista staff are equipping teams that may be newly formed, or have been working together for years, to navigate new challenges together.

This month, join us in praying for these Christian leaders who are receiving new training.

Moldova has a run-off presidential election on 03 November. Please pray for a fair and peaceful election this week.

7<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>

**MOLDOVA**

WEEK ONE

Three new teams have started the Tempo training course. One team is from Cricova, and they belong to a newly planted church. While many people are leaving Moldova's towns and villages to look for work elsewhere, these leaders want to stay and transform Cricova.

Thank God that many of this team are open to new ideas and eager to try new things.

**PLEASE PRAY**

- For Eugen, the pastor of this new church. He's a mature leader who has been through the Tempo course before and knows this new church team will benefit from this training.
- For the young leaders on this course, as many of them are juggling young families with running their own businesses so they can stay in Cricova.
- That the training will inspire the team with new ways to engage their local community, and support them to put these ideas into practice.

8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>

**UKRAINE**

WEEK TWO

Ivano-Frankivsk is one of the cities with the smallest evangelical Christian presence in Ukraine. This month, two churches from the city (called 'New Life' and 'Reconciliation') and one from the nearby town of Kalush (also called 'New Life') started the **Tempo course** there.

Thank God that these teams are asking for Innovista's help, and are actively seeking new ways to witness to this city and region.

**PLEASE PRAY**

- That these three very different churches will learn from each other as they train together. The two churches based in the city are newly planted by internally displaced Christians from elsewhere in Ukraine, whereas the church in Kalush has been there for many years.
- That these two new churches will begin their ministry in Ivano-Frankivsk on a solid foundation of good leadership.

In the North West this month, a newly formed learning community of women leaders will start meeting together to discuss a book for women in leadership, written by Kate Coleman.

Thank God for this group of leaders, from all walks of life and ministry, and their willingness to start this new group.

## PLEASE PRAY

- That the women in this new group would connect with the practical training in the book and with each other.
- For wisdom for Innovista's Rachel and her co-host Janette as they lead the group and their conversations.
- That each of their workplaces and ministries would see real change as a result of this support.

Madina has been asked by many Christian leaders in her country to help them grapple with one of the biggest issues facing the church there: the question of how to hold a Christian funeral.

Thank God that 110 women have signed up to attend a conference this month to discuss the issue and form a 'funeral committee' for the Church in their country.

## PLEASE PRAY

- That this conference wouldn't attract negative attention from the authorities.
- That although many people are first generation Christians, they would be able to reach a consensus and design a way to hold a Christian funeral that is still true to their unique cultural context.
- That the Church will design a way to conduct Christian funerals that will be a clear witness to those around them.

# 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 21<sup>st</sup> November** 7.30am and 7.30pm (GMT)
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** 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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*Front cover: Many of the leaders from the church in Cricova, Moldova, are juggling young families, church leadership and running businesses which enable them to stay in the town.*

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