

medication, etc is retiring soon. Evropi is not sure whether there will be a proper replacement as helpful as the present lady who has a car which is absolutely necessary to be able to visit Evropi.'

27 FRANCE, Marseille - Richard & Barbara: 'Pray for Simona and her family which we visit weekly, though often we only see granny Rachel. Simona is expecting number 7 in March. The oldest child is 13. There is always plenty of noise and movement in the home. We help the children with their studies, play card and memory games and bring something from the scriptures. Pray that the entrance of God's word may bring light and the knowledge of his Son.'

28 SPAIN, Almuñecar - Manuel López Franco and Alba Ortega: 'Please pray for the family activity and food distribution, so that some of the families who attend would be touched by the message of the gospel and by the love that we have shown them in practical ways. In fact Luke is a result of this activity. Pray also for those attending baptismal classes, that they may persevere and that we may see baptisms in the new year. Pray for the Lord to strengthen their faith and for work for all of them.'

29 UK, Hungarian Reformed Church in London - István & Tünde Salánki: 'Please continue to pray that people may come to church despite the Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) charges. Please also pray that the Lord may provide enough volunteers for the rotas in 2022. We need more people in all areas: music, hospitality and Sunday school.'

30 ITALY, Peschici - Antonio & Anna De Noia: 'Please pray for the food bank work, for the evangelistic literature work in the main square in Peschici, and for the testimony to the Lord in both Peschici and Vico.'

31 BELGIUM, De Panne - Michael & Ariëtte Robinson: 'Please pray that our young people in the church would grow in their faith and that the Lord would prepare them to take on more responsibility in the church.'

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Prayer Diary



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'The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.' (Psalm 28:7)

1 GREECE, Thessaloniki - Antonis & Viki Topaloglou: 'This Christmas we are giving gifts to the public orphanage of our city. So we are having the project Give Joy Drink Moses. Our goal is to collect an amount of €400. Two of our church members are coming from this background and God put in their hearts to bless the orphans.'

2 SPAIN, Barcelona - Manuel & Pauline Redondo: 'As we look to move from the UK to Barcelona, please pray for a good and affordable shipping company to take our cargo to Spain, and for a smooth and not too stressful transition to Barcelona.'

3 GERMANY, Utzenfeld - Tim & Deb Brooks: 'Due to having COVID ourselves, we had to cancel the carol service, but we are still distributing calendars with Bible texts to the people who would normally be invited. Please pray that they will read these (they also include thoughts about the text on the back of the page for the month) and that the Lord will speak to them.'

4 POLAND, Siedlce - Adam & Dagmara Urban: 'With the beginning of the new year we are hoping to start a simple discipleship programme at church. Please pray that God will edify people and that new leaders will emerge as a result of it.'

5 POLAND, Włocławek - Krzysztof & Aneta Rutkowsky: 'Our little church is searching for the Lord's guidance regarding the possible purchase of the non-residential property which is going to be sold in an auction in the middle of January 2022. Please pray.'

6 UK, Hungarian Reformed Church in London - István & Tünde Salánki: 'Praise God for the answered prayers regarding Christmas outreach. We had a good crowd both at our social event and the Carol service. Due to a generous donation we were able to purchase children's Bibles and distribute them at the Carol service as well as over the Christmas services. They were very well received.'

7 UK, HQ - Mission Director, Andrew Birch: 'This month we're officially launching what we're calling our 'expanded vision for Europe'. We're asking the Lord to enable us to take on at least 15 new missionary couples over the next five years. We want the main focus to be on planting new gospel churches in especially needy places, including the Balkans and the Nordics.'

'Do pray for Martin (Tatham) and Phil (Dunn) as they continue to contact and visit churches all over the U. K. Pray that we'll see more churches supporting the work of EMF, both in prayer and financially, and more churches deciding to partner with our missionaries and to commit to our expanded vision.'

- 8 CZECH REPUBLIC, Nové Město - Jan and Lucie Hábl:** 'We are still one of the worst countries for COVID. It affects even our church life, many people are isolated, some because of the illness, some because they are victims of disinformation. Many events were cancelled, including our church events. We usually participated in Christmas market in our town, having our own booth, but we could not have it this year (again).'
- 9 UK, HQ - Church Partnership Coordinator, Martin Tatham:** 'With the likelihood of more COVID restrictions in the New Year, planning engagement with churches to help encourage partnership in the work is increasingly hard. Pray for wisdom how best to engage UK Christians in the work of the gospel in Europe.'
- 10 SPAIN, Ciudad Real - Luis Cano & Pilar Herrera:** 'Pray for all the opportunities we have had to proclaim and share the gospel during the period of Christmas, that God may touch the hearts of the people. Also, by mid January we are having our annual church members meeting, where we take important decisions for the church life. Pray for wisdom and unity.'
- 11 SPAIN, Alcázar de San Juan - José Moreno Berrocal and Virtudes Merlo Garcia:** 'Pray that those who attended the Special Christmas services at Alcázar from outside the church will come to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.'
- 12 FRANCE, Marseille - Richard & Barbara:** 'Please pray for Amanda and her family. We visit weekly, help the younger boys with their studies and bring something from the scriptures. Amanda often cooks something for us. She has many cares. Pray that the word of God may captivate minds and hearts.'
- 13 SPAIN, Ciudad Real - Matt & Judith Hill:** 'Editorial Peregrino is working towards significant growth in their distribution in South America during 2022. Not growth for the sake of growth, but rather greater sales allowing us to produce more quality books for the Spanish-speaking church.'
- 14 GREECE, Patra - Evangelos & Georgia Sikoutris:** 'Please, pray for the door-to-door distribution of our paper "Times of refreshing" and of a number of Christian calendars. Pray also for those who from time to time come and ask for a copy of the New Testament. A few weeks ago, a lady and her young daughter came to get a copy of the N.T. and she was pleased to leave her address to receive our paper regularly.'
- 15 ITALY, San Lazzaro - Michael and Mary Steedman:** 'We thank the Lord for the online evangelistic Bible studies we hold with individual contacts now living in different parts of Italy. We hope soon to be able to introduce Claudia, an ex-student of Michael's from Pisa, to an evangelical church in her town. All these contacts receive a link each week to follow the Sunday service at our church in San Lazzaro and would like an older couple, Claudio and Susanna, to come to a service there, but at present they seem to be rather wary of covid.'
- 16 SPAIN, Almuñecar - Manuel López Franco and Alba Ortega:** 'Please pray that, with the distribution of the Ultimate Questions booklets, many people who received them would be curious and want to know more and come to the church.'
- 17 GREECE, Ioannina - Leonidas & Irene Kollaros:** 'We have been able to rent a shop about 100 square meters which we intend to use as a community centre for both immigrants and Greeks who are at the fringe of society. There will be fellowship with those who come, free coffee and probably a free meal. There will be a washing machine and shower units for those who are in need of such facilities. Bible messages will be given and the plan is to separate those who show real interest and have special meetings for them at our church building. This project will be operational from January.'
- 18 UKRAINE, Kyiv - Vitalii and Liudmyla Mariash:** 'Please pray for the many duties we face every day – pastoral visits, preparing for and leading meetings in the church (with deacons and young preachers) and in the Seminary (with faculty, program Directors, librarians and potential professors and students), weekly home Bible study group, sermons, lectures.'
- 19 BELGIUM, De Panne - Michael & Ariëtte Robinson:** 'Please pray for Ariëtte's ongoing health issues (she has fibromyalgia and spasmophilia) and that her weekly hydrotherapy can resume. Please also pray that Michael can complete the revision of the church web site as quickly as possible and re-start literature distribution and door-to-door evangelism as soon as possible.'
- 20 ITALY, Peschici - Antonio & Anna De Noia:** 'Please pray for Stefano, Stefania, and Demaris, new believers in Vico. And for Matteo, Cinzia, and Cristhian, a new family that have joined the church in Peschici.'
- 21 UK, HQ - Northern Ireland Representative, Phil Dunn:** 'Please join me in thanking God for all his faithfulness throughout 2021. He has sustained and strengthened the work here despite the many challenges resulting from COVID-19. Pray that 2022 will be a year marked by many good opportunities to engage with church leaders, strengthen existing links with churches, and see new church partnerships established. Pray too for the Armagh conference which is planned for 12th February in Richhill Presbyterian Church.'
- 22 POLAND, Siedlce - Adam & Dagmara Urban:** 'Many people in the church helped to distribute John Piper's Advent Devotional "Good News of Great Joy". The Gospel in the Centre website is publishing a recorded version of it. Please pray that God will use it to save people.'
- 23 UK, Hungarian Reformed Church in London - István & Tünde Salánki:** 'Please pray for the church workers' fellowship lunch on the 23rd January that it may be a true time of thanksgiving, pleasing to the Lord. Please pray for renewed strength and zeal for us as we press on in the service of the Lord.'
- 24 SPAIN, Ciudad Real - Luis Cano & Pilar Herrera:** 'We are very grateful to God for the book that Pilar has written and has been published by Editorial Peregrino. The title is "Ellas en el Antiguo Testamento" ("Women in the Old Testament"). We pray it will be a blessing to many, a tool for women's meetings and for personal reading.'
- 25 POLAND, Włocławek - Krzysztof & Aneta Rutkowsky:** 'Please pray for a friend of mine who is Roman Catholic. A few years ago he and his family moved away from Włocławek and we lost contact. But a few weeks ago he sent me a message and we had two video calls on WhatsApp about the things of God. He has read the Bible and is reading New Testament again. I posted him a few books and among them 'Right with God' by John Blanchard. He has asked a few questions and we shall deal with them over the next few weeks.'
- 26 GREECE, Volos – Evropi Tzelis:** 'The person from the social services who visits Evropi and helps her in many respects, shopping, paying bills, bringing