

October 2024 - TRINITY Mission News

HARVEST Appeal

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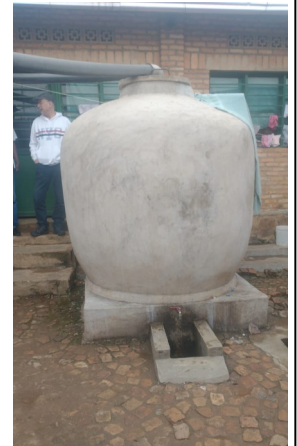
Water, and in particular clean drinking water, is essential to a healthy human life and it seemed appropriate to choose a cause which promotes this for TRINITY's harvest appeal.

Following Rob Hoy's visit to Kenya, Uganda and Rwanda earlier this year there were a number of water-related projects to consider for our harvest appeal this year.



One was to continue supporting the concrete tank building programme to harvest rainwater in Byumba Diocese in northern Rwanda. Rob found that the 3 tanks built during the training course in February 2023 were in pristine condition (see photos of 2 of the tanks, one of 1000 litres (on left) and one of 4000 litres) and they were being maintained well. Other sources of funding were provided to continue the tank building programme and Rob is hoping that more of the students he trained will participate in this.

Bishop Charles Semwaga has requested a 20,000 litre rainwater tank for his Faith Centred Ministries church in Rukura in Eastern Province of Rwanda. Rob is working with a tank builder in Uganda to train the local community to use a construction method using soil stabilised blocks which are made using a machine which compresses a mixture of soil and cement.



Following a request from Rev Jean-Pierre Mukumo from the Assemblies of God Church in the DRC (Democratic Republic of the Congo), Rob is working with The Safe Water Trust to send a shipment of 180 Grifaid water filters for people displaced by the violence in North Kivu Province.

In Uganda there is a very needy community at Labajja on the banks of Lake Wamala, not far from our mission partner Lisa Buyinza's former home in Gomba, Central District. Rob is working with The Safe Water Trust to provide a number of different interventions (filters, rainwater harvesting, latrines, health training etc) for a pilot study to assess the effectiveness of each in relieving poverty.

In Kenya, Rob accompanied Gid Cox, as guests of Bishop Samson Tuliapus Ngoletuke visiting churches and schools in his diocese of Kapenguria. This very arid area of north western Kenya was where Gid's father was a medical missionary and Gid grew up. The need here is boreholes as it doesn't rain for months on end and there are few accessible sources of water. After visiting 3 remote churches, seeing the dirty water the people drink and hearing of their struggle to find it, Gid and Rob resolved to help to fund the survey work and the development of boreholes for these very needy communities. We (Rob & Gid) are grateful to TRINITY's leadership team for supporting this work and recommending it to be one of the causes supported by the harvest appeal this year.



To contribute towards the appeal . . . Any giving via Contactless, on TRINITY's card machines, on Sunday 6th and Sunday 13th October will automatically go towards the Harvest appeal, as will any cash gifts collected on those days.

LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL

Would you like to help fill a Shoebox with gifts for a Family or an Elderly person? The filled boxes go to Eastern Europe in time for Christmas.

Further details, and leaflets explaining what can be included, available from Sue Clyde 812700 or Jenny Pigott 814607, or online from www.linktohope.co.uk



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We give thanks to our bees for a very satisfactory harvest.

We pray for their survival over the winter months and will be selling honey again soon!

UPDATES AND PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MISSION PARTNERS



Please pray for Anatoliy and Victoria Raychynets, who lead Bible outreach in Ukraine. Anatoliy takes God's word to the front lines, and Victoria leads the country's Bible-based healing programme. Pray also for Li Leii in Eastern China. She leads one of the few small groups, it is a life changing meeting, where Christians can grow in their faith, Bible Society provides a discipleship guide and training for leaders.



13th-19th October is Prisons Week: the annual week of prayer for our prisons. Let's pray for churches and organisations to work for justice and restoration for both victims and offenders. In Lewes prison, pray for local volunteers Vicky, Jo, Val, Tom helping with the next Sycamore Tree course, and with the Angel Tree programme to buy and deliver presents for prisoners' children at Christmas. **Anyone interested in volunteering with Prison Fellowship** in some way is invited to take part in a Zoom meeting "Exploring Prison Ministry" on Thursday 17th October from 7-8pm. Find out more at www.prisonfellowship.org.uk/joinus



Pray for our practitioners who still have the pressures of waiting lists where the need is greater than we can provide. Praise for the support we gave last month: Remote calls 758; Visits 153; Adults supported 229; Children supported 164. Pray for suitable food and volume of donations. **Save the date:** FSW Carol Service 12th December in Fletching



It has been a really busy month at HOMELINK. Several new clients have been supported into accommodation and we give thanks to God that those people are no longer threatened with homelessness. Our Gala Concert is being held on 12th October and we have a small film project in the pipeline. Please pray for these events and for the staff and trustees involved in them.



Please pray for the work in Myanmar. The country is facing its worst humanitarian crisis. Hunger is rife and thousands of families are unable to afford basics. For people affected by Leprosy life is particularly harsh.



As winter approaches, please pray for safety and protection for our chaplains as they will be doing shifts in, what at times, can be very challenging weather conditions including strong winds, fog and heavy rain. With shorter days, some of the afternoon shifts and all of the evening shifts will be in darkness with reliance on lamps and torches to carry out searches and interventions as chaplains go out on patrol both in vehicles and on foot.



Lisa Buyinza and Pearl of Grace Ministries: Please pray for one of the POG girls who will soon complete the 6th form and is planning an 8-month gap year when she will do a Bible course and volunteer in setting up a POG business. Two other older girls have made encouraging choices to let go of some negative lifestyle patterns. Lisa feels it would help them to serve in a church department which gives skills training this term. They need ongoing support.



LIFE IN ABUNDANCE
UNITED KINGDOM

Haiti, one of LIA's 14 programme countries, continues to face challenges with escalating gang violence and unrest. We thank God that LIA-Haiti continues to serve effectively amidst difficult conditions and we ask for prayer for the safety and protection of LIA staff and their families. Pray too for the peacekeeping forces as they strive to restore peace and protect the lives of the Haitians.



TRINITY Southover open for prayer
normally Monday to Friday during the day
Southover High Street BN7 1JH



CAFÉ 12/31
Tues to Sat 9.30am - 2.00pm
Hot food served daily
9.30am to 1.30pm



GIVING TO TRINITY

You can give to support the ministry of TRINITY in a variety of ways. If you are a regular member or consider TRINITY your church, the best way to give is through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) TRINITY's parish code 100610471.

You can make direct internet payments to our bank account. Name: TRINITY Southover Church Council. Sortcode: 20 49 76. Account Number: 20775894. You can also give using our contactless systems at our sites.



If you are able to gift-aid your donation please email Bill our treasurer, and he will give you the relevant form:
finance@trinitylewes.org

Our website has more details: <https://trinitylewes.org/about/giving/>

CLOTHES FOR HOMELESS & REFUGEES

Many thanks for ongoing donations. As the colder weather comes please look out any warm clothes, jackets, boots, sleeping bags . . . all very gratefully accepted in the collection boxes at our church sites, or contact Mary Boyum on 0780 3630831 to collect from your home. Thank you!



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