

St Margaret's Church Angmering

Mission Partners Booklet 2024

St Margaret's has the following mission partners who we support prayerfully and financially. Enclosed we have a monthly focus.

JANUARY – OUR VISION

Matthew 28v18-20 reminds us of Jesus' command to

“. . . . Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,”

FEBRUARY - SUSSEX GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP

SGP Sunday 25th February

SGP is a partnership of 70 Bible-centered churches across Sussex, working together to train leaders, strengthen and plant churches, and to advance the Gospel. Sussex Youthworks strengthens children's and young people's ministry.



Local training courses for everyday Christians, held weekly on a Tuesday and monthly on a Saturday over 2 years, give a helpful Bible overview, teach doctrine e.g. the authority of Scripture and equip participants to lead small group Bible Studies. St Margaret's is hosting a Saturday course at present!

As well as training for the leaders of the Partner churches, and ad hoc teaching days on various subjects, there is an annual conference open to all, with engaging speakers and subjects such as November 2023 - Glen Scrivener - "Unashamed - Finding confidence to talk about Jesus".

SUSSEX GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP continued

Please pray for all aspects of this important gospel work, including for the participants on the present training courses, for continued funding, and for the appointment of a new Director, which has, so far, proved a challenge! Latest adverts go out in March 2024.

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MARCH - FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

FSW Sunday 10th March

Last year FSW helped over 700 families in Sussex suffering problems stemming from the cost of living, isolation, family breakdown, mental health and disabilities. Their practitioners assist

families with access to services and provide practical and emotional support, as well as help from their in-house food bank, and opportunities for trips and outings for families who would otherwise not be able to access these.



In Angmering there is now an After School Club for families in St Margaret's Church Hall on the last Wednesday each month. There was a concert in church on 9th March and will be a series of fundraising events during the spring and summer months.

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APRIL – CROSSLINKS - Helen Sheridan

Crosslinks Sunday 14th April



BCMS
Crosslinks



Helen's main role at Calvary Church Castlebar is Women's and Children's Ministry, teaching, discipling and learning with the youngest to the eldest.

This is done through Sunday School, Tuesday Bible Club, Youth United, Friday Women's Bible Study, one to one Bible Study, and walking along side women in life's highs and lows - where life and scripture meet.

The church is 11 years old, and the last 4 years or so have seen significant growth in numbers (from approx 25 to 65 on Sundays), the acquiring of their own premises (a renovation project concluding in March 2024), the appointment of a second Elder and seeing church regulars serving in various ways.

Helen is keen to encourage and equip women, including the youth, for every kind of service. She works alongside Stephen and Nikki Childs (UFM), and enjoys adventures with their 4 children so their parents can have a lie in from time to time.

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MAY – AWM Arab-world Ministry of Pioneers

AWM Sunday 12th May



Pioneers partners with local churches to make disciples, and initiate church-planting among unreached peoples.

The unreached are cultural and ethnic groups without a self-sustaining

witness to the gospel in their own cultures. Pioneers has 3,000+ global members who use their diverse gifts and experience to build relationships, introduce people to the Bible, share the gospel in culturally understandable ways, and make disciples who make disciples.

One Pioneers Team, for instance, works with Muslim-background believers primarily in North Africa, the Middle East, and other places with immigrant Muslim populations. They offer discipleship courses that are tailored to the cultural context and address the real challenges people from a Muslim background face in their journeys of faith. They also offer leadership training opportunities for national leaders so that they can, in turn, teach, disciple and equip others towards church multiplication. (2 Timothy 2:2)

“For years, we have looked for a program like this”, a group of Arab Christians ministering to Saudi believers reported. “This is precisely what we need.”

Come and hear about their work in May - at the Church Prayer meeting, and Sunday Services on the 12th May.

- **Pray for** Pioneers as an organisation to maintain their passion to glorify God throughout the nations of the world, through obedience to the Bible and by living and proclaiming the message of salvation through Jesus Christ.

MAY – AWM continued

- **Pray for** all those ministering in local teams among Unreached People Groups. UPGs are areas, cultures and people groups where the gospel has yet to be effectively proclaimed.
- **Pray for** churches to be planted as Pioneers commits long term to empowering and equipping local believers to become disciple makers and church leaders.

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JUNE – FEBA

FEBA Sunday 23rd or 30th June

Feba's focus on radio and audio media as a tool for Christian mission is founded on a belief that the spoken word and use of audio technologies

can be used to share God's unique love with people in some very difficult, hard-to-reach places. We have a particular interest in countries that are considered 'closed' to the gospel or people groups that are 'unreached'; situations where Christians face persecution for their faith, where they are a marginalised minority.



Please pray for Feba as they share the hard reality of gospel mission in extremely challenging circumstances. They have wonderful stories of listeners becoming followers of Jesus!

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JULY- MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP

MAF Sunday 14th July

Dave and Becky Waterman



In Liberia, people struggle with poor roads and without a proper health care system. This is where Mission Aviation Fellowship seeks to make a 'big' difference in West Africa.

Please pray for Dave & Becky as they serve in this especially hot and sticky climate.

For an update on the great work of MAF's worldwide ministry, please join us for tea and cakes in July 2024 (details later).

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AUGUST - Rectors Discretionary Fund for Youth

RDFY Sunday 25th August

Mark will interview some young people who have attended Brymore Camp.

SEPTEMBER - ALISON AND PAUL

Sunday 29th September

Alison and Paul Guinness

with Jeremy,
Grace and Lydia



**"I always pray
with joy because
of your partnership
in the gospel. "**

Phil 1 v 3



They are based in Burundi, supporting the Burundian church as it seeks to engage in world mission.

They work with AIM, and partner with Pti and iNet.

Paul – focuses on coaching key Mission leaders, cross cultural teaching, building unity and supporting local links.

Alison – assisting with Leadership at GLST&L & networking with local links; Vice Chair of Board at ANCC (UK)

Burundi – a very small, poor country in Central East Africa; a history of violence & unrest with Rwanda; largely Christian.

Please pray for:

- Good health for family & safe travel
- Daily life – food, fuel, electricity
- Encouragements - local links to develop well
- Burundian Christians to engage with Mission
- For setbacks to be turned into opportunities
- For Jeremy & Grace at French School, to be fluent in French, and love learning; Lydia at home.
- Jenny and Jude have arranged a coffee morning with cakes and books sale for 28th September.

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OCTOBER - TEARFUND

Tearfund Sunday 6th or 13th October



Tearfund is a Christian charity working in more than 50 of the world's poorest countries, believing that an end to extreme poverty IS possible. There's lots of info at www.tearfund.org

Tearfund partners churches and organisations in tackling injustice and responding quickly to disasters and conflict. It seeks to mobilise resources and to empower communities to lift themselves out of poverty, whilst also challenging unjust policies on a local, national and global level.

Please pray:

- For Tearfund's Church and Community Transformation vision, that many more churches will become "transformation centres" for their community.
- For Tearfund's Rubbish Campaign especially for the in person negotiations on April 21st-23rd and in November, when delegations will meet to create a treaty on plastic waste. It is estimated that up to one million people die every year because of exposure to waste and rubbish.

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NOVEMBER - GIFT SUNDAY

Gift Sunday 17th November

DECEMBER - RDF and CHILDRENS SOCIETY

Rector's Discretionary Fund Sunday 1st December

Christingle - Children's Society 24th December