

Please pray for . . . SOUTH ASIA EMERGENCY

As relief efforts continue after the tsunami disaster in South Asia, an international conference in Kobe, Japan, has heard that natural disasters have affected at least 2.5 billion people worldwide over the last ten years, 60 per cent more than in the previous decade. Floods and earthquakes accounted for more than half of all the casualties during the decade, a UN report said, with Asia the most affected continent and people in poor communities the most vulnerable.

With the death toll from the December 26th tsunami disaster now standing at 220,000, aid agencies and governments are working to bring emergency relief to the survivors and to begin tackling longer-term issues of rehabilitation and reconstruction. Please pray for Tearfund's partners and staff in the South Asia region as they bring assistance to those affected by the tsunami. Tearfund's partner organisations face greatly increased demands and pressures, while some of their staff and volunteers have themselves lost friends and relatives in the disaster. Pray that Tearfund will be able to recruit the right personnel to support partners at this time. Give thanks for the outstanding response by people in this country, and pray that resources will also be available to meet urgent needs in Africa and other parts of the world.

If you would like to make a donation:
The Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC)
(representing 12 leading aid agencies)
Website - www.dec.org.uk
Tearfund Website - www.tearfund.org/giving

Services next Week . . . Sunday 30 January

Team North

10.30 am Holy Communion at Papworth
8.30 am Holy Communion at Elsworth

Team South

Kingston – 6.00 pm Evening Prayer/Holy Communion
Longstowe – 8.30 am Holy Communion

Team West

Croxton – 8.30 am Holy Communion
Graveley – 10.30 am Holy Communion

Next week's Bible Readings to help us prepare for worship (from): Psalm 36.5-10; 1 Kings 17.8-16; 1 Corinthians 1.18-end; John 2.1-11.

Items for next week's pew sheet to RUTH GILDERSLEVE by Tues evening please.

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**The Papworth Team Ministry
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*The parishes of Bourn, Kingston, Caxton, Longstowe,
Boxworth, Elsworth, Knapwell,
Papworth Everard, Croxton, Eltisley, Toseland,
Yelling, and Graveley with Papworth St Agnes*

**Sunday 23 January 2005
The Third Sunday of Epiphany**

Readings (from):

Psalm 27.1, 4-12 [27.1-11]; Isaiah 9.1-4;
1 Corinthians 1.10-18; Matthew 4.12-23.

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

For our prayers during the coming week

Sunday	Pray for Clergy and Readers: Alastair McCollum, Anne Scott, Fiona Windsor, Jeremy Pemberton, Paul Gildersleve, and Pauline Scott. Give thanks and pray for others who minister regularly in the Team, among them, Canon John Sweet and Revd George Thomas.
Monday	'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven' (Matthew 5:3). Thank God for the opportunities he gives us. Thank God for the love, joy, peace and hope we receive from him. Pray that we will share these gifts with others through what we say and do in our everyday lives.
Tuesday	Please pray for the work of the Gideons. Their primary aim is to distribute bibles into Hotels, Hospitals, Doctors' and Dentists', Schools, Colleges, Prisons and Homes for the elderly. Pray that the doors will remain open, new opportunities will arise and that people will be open.
Wednesday	We pray for the Joint Services that WCCYM helps to organise. Pray for the organisation of the next one, pray for the people leading and the people attending. Pray that they continue to be a good opportunity for Christians from all over South Cambridgeshire to get together to worship, pray and learn together.
Thursday	Those in prison and their families, those working in the justice system, and those who work in prisons. Remember Chaplains and prison visitors, and the work of the Prison Christian Fellowship.

Sunday 30th January

7.00 – 8.30 pm, St Peter's, Papworth Everard
Youth Service

A youth service (Synergy) for the young people of the team
and neighbouring parishes.

Preparation for Confirmation in Papworth Team
If you are interested in taking confirmation classes. Please
contact Jeremy Pemberton.

Lent Addresses and Complines
Monday nights, 7.30 pm at Elsworth Church

We have visiting speakers coming to talk to us about The
Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5 – 7.
7 February - How Happy
14 February - But I say to you
21 February - Fast, Pray, Give Alms
28 February - The Service of the Kingdom
7 March - Seeing, Seeking and Asking
14 March - Choices and Foundations

Lent Groups

There are a number of Lent Groups running during Lent.
If you would be interested in joining a group, please
contact your local vicar who will be able to give you the
details of the group closest to you.

Weekday Communion

From Wednesday 16 February we will be starting a
weekday communion which will be held every Wednesday.
These services are open to all. Please look at the
pewsheets/noticeboards for more information.

Education Sunday – 23rd January 2005

Today is Education Sunday, for well over a century there has been an annual day of prayer and celebration for everyone involved in education in England and Wales. The theme for 2005 is '**A more excellent way**'. What can we learn from Jesus' way of working...what can we take with us into the world of education? Are there things we can do to improve relationships between teachers and students, between colleagues and between institutions? How can we create a more caring and supportive environment where everyone is valued? Jesus guides and teaches us still, promising to be with us at all times – in times of anxiety and disillusionment and in times of success. He asks us to take his love to those we work with, through support and prayer. Let us work together creatively as we seek to follow him. Christian Resources into Schools, the locally based charity, seeks to help churches reach the 92% of children and young people that fail to connect with churches. Please pray for all involved in education and actively look for opportunities to serve and support your local school. There are serious issues and challenges facing our teachers and schools, now is the time to be proactive rather than reactive.

For more information on how to support schools, please feel free to contact Chris Westgarth of Christian Resources into Schools on Tel: 01223 262943, Email: network@cris.org.uk, www.cris.org.uk

Friday	There are many people who commute long distances to work. Modern work culture can have a bad effect on family life – pray for all those who feel under severe pressure because of the demands of their job.
Saturday	For our relations with Christians of other traditions. For the Baptists in Caxton and Yelling, the Methodists in Papworth, Eltisley and Toseland, the Roman Catholics in Papworth and Bourn. For our common search for a unity that will testify to the love of Christ. Also for the neighbouring ecumenical parish of Cambourne, and for the ministries there of Peter Wood and Pauline Scott.
Every day	Pray for America and for President George Bush as he begins his second term in office.
International Prayer Focus	Please pray for IRAQ. The country remains tense in the build-up to the elections scheduled for January 30th, with a number of suicide bombings and other attacks across the country. Last week a candidate was shot dead and a suicide car bomb killed at last two people when it exploded near the offices of the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, one of the biggest parties of the majority Shia Muslim population. Efforts by the administration to reinforce security include closing all Iraq's borders for three days around the elections. Please pray that the elections will pass peacefully and that Iraqis will be able to move forward in rebuilding their country.

Please also pray for other forthcoming meetings and activities, among them:

7.00 pm, Sunday, Caxton Church – **Team Evening Worship - Praise**

9.15 am, Monday, Bourn Church (and afterwards at Manor Farm, Bourn) – **Ministry Team Morning Prayer and Meeting** (all welcome to join us for prayer)

Team Evening Worship

During the next 3 months the Team Evening Worship
Talks will be looking at the Psalms.

23 January	Psalm 19 – The Divine Law
6 February	Psalm 22 - My God, my God, why? Communion at Bourn
13 February	Psalm 34 - O taste and see
20 February	Psalm 45 - Royal ritual
27 February	Psalm 51 - Create in me a clean heart

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Wednesday 26th January

10.30am to 12 noon at 12 BALDWIN'S CLOSE, BOURN
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*Come browse & talk in comfort & friendly company, with
free refreshment. Mums with under-5's and everyone
welcome. Details from Alison & David on 719504.*