

## May 2023 Prayer Focus - Rachel Spencer

Rachel came to visit the church on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, to share news of her work on the mission field in Paris, with GEM (Greater Europe Mission). She works in a very multicultural suburb of Paris, where there is a strong Muslim community. She and the team at GEM run various projects aimed at building up strong community relationships, and providing a platform for sharing the gospel with all those with whom they are in contact.

Please pray for:

- A new project entitled Xenia, (which means ‘stranger-friendship’), which aims to create an environment of friendship and welcome among different cultures, validating and celebrating the diversity of the town, and working together for the good of the community.
- Relationships within the team, as they seek an agreed approach in moving forward in mission.
- Rachel as she embarks on a PhD in Missiology at the Vrije Universiteit (VU) Amsterdam, which she will do this part-time and anticipates it will take six years.
- For those who have heard the gospel - Rachel shared about one Muslim lady who has been very receptive to the gospel, but is fearful of the consequences making a commitment would have on her relationship with her devout Muslim husband and her family.

Rachel sends out an update and prayer letter around every six weeks. If you would like to receive this letter, please email Rachel at [rachel.spencer@worldteam.org](mailto:rachel.spencer@worldteam.org) and ask to be added to the mailing list



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**Vision Verse:** ‘Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes’ – Isaiah 54:2

**Verse of the Year** – ‘Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.’ Joshua 1 verse 9

### Notice Sheet - 7.5.2023

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Member of the Leadership Team responsible for today is Vic Wright.  
Please refer all queries to Vic.

We welcome you to our service this morning. This week we are continuing our series on 'Is Heaven for real? Today we will be thinking about 'How are the dead raised?', looking at 1 Corinthians 15 verses 35 - 58 - Neil Starling will be bringing God's word to us. We will also be sharing in Communion.

As well as joining together in the church building we also live stream our service through Zoom and the log in details are:- Meeting ID 81280104638 Passcode - worship.

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- May 9<sup>th</sup> - Rosedales Bereavement Course - 10.00a.m.
  - May 9<sup>th</sup> - POWER HOUR in the Prayer Room - 10.00a.m.
  - May 9<sup>th</sup> - Thrive@Roots - 2.30p.m.
  - May 11<sup>th</sup> - Alpha Course - 6.30p.m.-8.00p.m.
  - May 12<sup>th</sup> - Roots Community Café @ WBC  
10.00a.m. - 1.00p.m.
  - May 14<sup>th</sup> - Worship at 10.30a.m.
  - May 15<sup>th</sup> - Roots Community Café @ WBC  
10.00a.m. - 1.00p.m.
  - May 15<sup>th</sup> - Leadership Team meeting - 7.30p.m.
  - May 16<sup>th</sup> - Rosedales Bereavement Course - 10.00a.m.
  - May 16<sup>th</sup> - POWER HOUR in the Prayer room - 10.00a.m.
  - May 16<sup>th</sup> - Home Mission Fund Grant application visit
  - May 16<sup>th</sup> - Thrive@Roots - 2.30p.m.
  - May 18<sup>th</sup> - Alpha Course - 6.30p.m. - 8.00p.m.
  - May 19<sup>th</sup> - Roots Community Café @ WBC  
10.00a.m. - 1.00p.m.
  - May 19<sup>th</sup> - Friday Night Youth - 6.30p.m.

OUR VISION - To be 'An authentic church with a place for everyone'



**Remember in your prayers, thoughts and actions:-** Jenni and family, Christine as she continues her treatment, Jane, David Fisher, Chris and Ann Flaxman and Cathy and family and for others in the fellowship facing difficult situations. Please continue to pray for the Alpha Course being held on a Thursday evening.

**CALLING ALL GARDENERS** - Topsoil is available in the corner of the car park - help yourself or speak to Keith.

**Home from Home meeting has now finished as a Warm Space.** We will be re-commencing Home from Home on Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and plan to hold this group on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month. If you would like to come along and share in this social time together, please speak to Cathy or contact the Church Office.



We are looking for your help - we want to set up a working party for a Saturday morning in May to start to lay the path in the rear church garden - we have some paving slabs and Keith has dug out the area for the path. All we need now is the manpower to complete the task. If you can offer a Saturday, please email or ring the office.



Come and share in our **POWER HOUR** each Tuesday morning in the Prayer Room from 10.00a.m. - 11.00a.m. Also on the first Sunday of the month in the church lounge from 9.00a.m. - 10.00a.m.

**CORONATION GOSPEL** - Copies of this booklet are available at the rear of the church - Please take a copy - if you are able to make a donation of £2 we would be most grateful.

**SUMMER SUPPER - 7.30p.m. on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Light supper and dessert and after supper speaker, Hannah Gray from A Rocha. Come and hear about the work of A Rocha and Eco church. Tickets available TODAY from Nicki, Robbie or Cathy - cost £7. Make sure you get yours today.

**WORSHIP WALK** - If you joined the Worship Walk last Sunday and took some photos, made some drawings, felt God speaking to you and are able to share these thoughts, please pass these on to Nicki or to the Church Office.

**CHANGE OF DATE** - Please note our next Church Meeting will be held after our worship service on 21<sup>st</sup> May.