

# St Marc's English-speaking Church, Grenoble

*Prayer Diary October 2008 – January 2009*

Please pray for the individuals named – and for each topic.

***Be joyful always, pray continually;  
give thanks in all circumstances,  
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.  
(1 Thess 5:16–18)***

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| Mon 20 | Give thanks for our Away Weekend and what was learnt there. Ask this may make a difference to our lives – and our praying! Remember John & Penny; pray for their life & witness in Morocco.         | Joseph & Maureen Agu,<br><i>Kachi, Chibokem,</i><br>Chimekoba & Chinyelum. |
| Tue 21 | Ladies' CBS 9h30 chez Coulavin. 20h15 French BS on great bible pray-ers (Abraham). This monthly series is led by Stephen, George & Pierre-Emmanuel, leaders of the 3 St-Marc's churches.            | Anthony & Dominique<br>Ajakpoloho, Eanaton-<br>Louis & Victoria.           |
| Wed 22 | 12h30 Church Prayer Meeting at St-Marc's. Ask we may be faithful in praying for one another, and for the use of this Diary.   | Olaniyi Akinwunmi.   |
| Thu 23 | Give thanks for our website <a href="http://www.grenoblechurch.org">www.grenoblechurch.org</a> ; for those seeking to improve it; that others may find us because of it!                            | <i>Paul-Louis &amp; Nina</i><br><i>Albertini, (Serge) &amp; Claire.</i>    |
| Fri 24 | Pray for the married couples in our church, that love & understanding may deepen, according to the Spirit of Christ.  | Craig & Juliette Alciati,<br>Eva & Jessica.                                |
| Sat 25 | Pray for the singles (for whatever reason) among us, that their experience of Christ's love for them personally may increase and strengthen their walk with him. Clocks go back 1 hour tonight!     | Moray Allen.   |
| Sun 26 | <b>Holy Communion 10h45:</b> Stephen preaches on <i>Life in all its fulness</i> . Pray for our Adult & Junior Sunday School, & teachers.  | Victoria Allen.  |
| Mon 27 | Our preachers meet tonight: pray they may have God's guidance for future series & preach in the power & wisdom of the Spirit.   | Jim & Linda Anderson.  |
| Tue 28 | Remember mothers coping with children home at half-term; ask that our family lives may lead children closer to the Saviour. Pray for invitations (especially on campus) for the Dance night (15th). | Gill Baconnier, Hannah,<br>Rachel & Abigail.                               |
| Wed 29 | Remember our Home Groups, that we may deepen fellowship and grow through study of God's word.   | David Bailey.  |
| Thu 30 | Pray for the <i>Alpha</i> courses (our own & others throughout France); for those who lead & those who attend; and for our Catering Committee as it bears the extra work involved.                  | Keith & Debbie<br>Baldock, <i>Charlotte</i> , James,<br>Emily & Victoria.  |
| Fri 31 | Give thanks for our church children, that they may grow into a real   | ( <i>Xavier &amp;</i> ) Fanny  |

& mature trust in Christ; for S.School and the AWANA club. Belanger.

- Sat 1 *Toussaint*: Pray for all who grieve the loss of loved ones, and especially those who have no eternal hope in Christ. (George &) Tammy Bohn.
- Sun 2 **Family Worship 10h45**: Stephen speaks on *Tools for growing – the Bible*. *Alpha* lunch & session *How can I have faith* follows. Suzanne Bonnefond.
- Mon 3 Give thanks for the Bible; ask we may encourage its reading. Dean Bracht.
- Tue 4 18h00 Commission Interconfessionnelle meeting. Pray for good relations between all the churches here & throughout France. Frédéric & Suzanne Bréant.
- Wed 5 Pray for Tearfund's work in Liberia, mending people & relationships broken by war; rebuilding community & infrastructure. Hugh & Francine *Brooking*, Alice.
- Thu 6 Pray for those who teach in local schools, and those who learn; for their ethos, greater caring and mutual understanding. Neil & Julie Brownrigg, Callum & Lewis.
- Fri 7 Today Stephen will be interviewed during the English radio programme for the local Radio Campus. Please pray for this! Elizabeth Cherhal (& her daughter, Melanie, in UK)
- Sat 8 Remember Mark, Carine & family in Burkina Faso – their health & work, & encouragement. Also Dante as he prepares for Adult S.S. Stephen & Marian Coffin, (Anna & Jenny).
- Sun 9 **Holy Communion 10h45**: Stephen preaches on *Tools for growing – prayer*. Ask how we may extend hospitality to others! Jim & Marie Colbert.
- Mon 10 Give thanks for prayer! Use it to give God praise for the blessings you have, and to ask that he may bring such blessings to others! Joanna Collinson
- Tue 11 *Remembrance Day*: Pray for peace in the world's troubled places - & for other things in the news. Ladies' CBS 9h30 chez Coulavin. Greg & Marilyn Cornish.
- Wed 12 Church Council meets 20h00. Please ask for clear direction. Alison Coulavin (& family)
- Thu 13 Pray for English-speaking students, *au pairs* & *assistant(e)s*, in Grenoble, in need of help & encouragement, that they may find us. Hélène Dard, Elysabeth & Victoria.
- Fri 14 Continue to pray for our *Alpha* course, for those who give the talks and lead discussion & for those who attend; for the Spirit's help! Anne-Marie De Simone (& her mother, Geneviève).
- Sat 15 20h00 **Scottish Country Dance & Supper** at St-Marc's. Pray for welcome, enjoyment and that newcomers may find us as a result! Howard & Dona Diehl (& family)
- Sun 16 **Morning Worship 10h45**: Howard speaks on *Tools for growing – fellowship*. *Alpha* lunch & session, *Guidance, the Bible & Prayer*. Cécile *Forestini*, Camille.
- Mon 17 Reflect on these words: *Let us not love with words or tongue, but with actions and in truth. (1 John 3:18)* (Emmanuel &) Sally Gauthier, Hannah-Myriam.
- Tue 18 20h15 French Bible study at St-Marc's: Bible pray-ers (Moses). Christiane Genet.
- Wed 19 18h00 for 1 hour: *Cercle de Silence* at Place V.Hugo tram-stop – to raise awareness of the plight of foreigners/refugees in France. Shona Gillespie.
- Thu 20 Yesterday was the 8th anniversary of Stephen's institution at St-Marc's: give thanks for him & Marian, & pray for encouragement! Alan & Valerie Golton (& family)

Fri	21	18h30 Meeting of representatives of the 3 churches of our Centre.	Pamela Imafidon, Eve.
Sat	22	Pray for use of the invitations to our Carol Service on Dec.14th.	Fourie Joubert & family.
Sun	23	<b>Holy Communion 10h45:</b> Dante preaches on <i>Tools for growing – guidance</i> . Pray that we may ever seek to please our Saviour!	Jason & April Kern, Garret & Rachel.
Mon	24	Reflect on yesterday's topic & ask for strength to follow God's will.	Chris Krause.
Tue	25	20h30 Prepn meeting for January Service of prayer for Xpn Unity.	Jeanne-Marie Laveyssière.
Wed	26	12h30 Church Prayer Meeting at St-Marc's. Come if you can!	(Francis &) Irmela Lesimple
Thu	27	17h30 Stephen meets with the Evangelical Pastors Fraternal. Pray for the other <i>Alpha</i> courses in Grenoble & throughout France.	Mark & Carine Lewis, Anaëlle & Joshua
Fri	28	Our <i>Alpha</i> session on Sunday combines 3 talks: pray about this!	(Armando &) Salva Lopes.
Sat	29	<b>Banque Alimentaire all day at Vizille:</b> Give thanks for this opportunity to serve, and for Sarah Paul's input over the years!	Huihui Lu.
Sun	30	<b>Holy Communion &amp; Prayer for Healing 10h45:</b> Stephen speaks on <i>Tools for growing – worship</i> . <b>Alpha</b> lunch 12h30 and session on <i>The Holy Spirit</i> . Pray for real openness to his work in our lives.	Ken MacKay, Hugo.
Mon	1	<b>World HIV/AIDS Day:</b> Prayer meeting on <i>Chrétiens et SIDA</i> . Give thanks that anti-retroviral drugs are increasingly available in the Third World, but millions still lack this or react badly to it.	Montserrat Mane.
Tue	2	Pray for the choir for the Carol service, for Penny's input, etc.	Elsa Mathews.
Wed	3	Pray for our pregnant mothers & those who'd love to have children	Jim McLucas.
Thu	4	The United Nations conference on climate change (1st-12th) is taking place in Poland: Ask for wisdom for leaders & right action.	Vincent & Laure Migeotte, Gabriel.
Fri	5	Give thanks for Tearfund's involvement with the poor affected by climate change; for partners working in such places as Niger. Pray for political stability, peaceful coexistence.	Segun-Kay & Stella Odunlade, Wale-Charles, Peju-Joy, & Jide-Johnson.
Sat	6	<b>Marché de Noël all day at St-Marc's, in aid of the Eglise Reformée social programme.</b> Come and support this if you can!	Godwin & Susan Omokaro Randy, Celine & Princely.
Sun	7	<b>Holy Communion &amp; Confirmation Service 10h45:</b> with Bishop Pierre from Paris. A very special day for Pamela Imafidon!	Desmond & Ruth Onaghise, Jeremiah & Kindness.
Mon	8	Pray for Pamela & all who need encouragement in their faith.	Donald Onuegbu.
Tue	9	Remember our preachers, as they prepare, that they may always speak God's word faithfully, in the power of the Holy Spirit.	(Lucifora &) Maryse Parson, Raphael & Ornella.
Wed	10	<b>Church Council 20h00.</b> Give thanks for ACAT, & all who write letters to authorities in support of those unjustly imprisoned, or facing torture and death.	David & Sarah Paul, (Helen, Julia) & Emily.
Thu	11	Give thanks for Champfleuri, for its <i>Ecole biblique</i> , and its young people's winter ski house-parties, that God may bless these.	Debe Paul.
Fri	12	St-Marc's Administrative Council meets today.	Lilan Peng.
Sat	13	Please pray for the Carol Service tomorrow & all who are involved.	Pascal & Christy Roget.

Sun	14	United Service 10h00 (with RC & ER congregations, in French); CAROL SERVICE 18h30: May many join in the angels' song!	Chris & Alicia Ruemelin.
Mon	15	Give thanks for <i>L'Echoppe</i> and the help it gives to the needy, and especially its witness of love at Christmas-time.	<i>Rwik &amp; Nivedita Sengupta.</i>
Tue	16	20h15 French Bible study at St-Marc's: Bible pray-ers (Esther). Pray for isolated & secret believers in N.Africa, without friends or fellowship. Ask the Holy Spirit to sustain and protect them!	Richard & Jane Sheppard, <i>(Louise, Stewart, Alexis &amp; Timothy).</i>
Wed	17	18h00 for 1 hour: <i>Cercle de Silence</i> in Place V. Hugo. Pray that we may all be faithful in witness, both in life and word.	John & Nell Stinton, <i>their daughter Claire &amp; family.</i>
Thu	18	Pray for the witness to God's saving love made in all churches this Christmas & especially in ICS-supported English-speaking ones, including winter resorts throughout the ski season.	Williams-Charles & Marian Sylla; Daniel, Mathilda & Williams-Charles jnr.
Fri	19	Continue to pray for our devoted Sunday School teachers!	<i>Jeff Sylverwind.</i>
Sat	20	Pray for peace in starving & violent places: Darfur, Zimbabwe, Guatemala & other parts of central America; for God's people there	Dante & Connie Thomas, Donovan.
Sun	21	Morning Worship 10h45: Alan tells <i>Mary's Story (Luke 1:26-38)</i> May we learn afresh from the wonder of God's grace towards us.	<i>Clifford &amp; Gloria Ugwonali and family.</i>
Mon	22	Let us remember those who are facing real tests of their faith in God, especially those in peril because of their faith in Christ.	<i>Jonathan &amp; Ellen Ugwonali, Nathan &amp; Elya.</i>
Tue	23	Ask that in all the pressures and pleasures of this festival we may not forget its real meaning, or those who are needy or sad.	Irina Vassilieva.
Wed	24	Christmas Eve Holy Communion 23h15: Come & give thanks! <i>Though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor so that you, through His poverty might become rich. (2 Cor 8:9)</i>	Jean-Philippe & Penny Vincent-Sweet, Thomas, Stephanie & Yann.
Thu	25	CHRISTMAS DAY 10h45 Family Service: Come and praise!	Selina Wesley.
Fri	26	Pray for scattered families; and for families divided by more than distance: for reconciliation and forgiveness; for Christ's love.	Jeff & Heatherlyne Wilkes, Charlotte & Elijah.
Sat	27	Remember the Lewis family in Burkina Faso, that their lives may shine for Jesus to all they meet. Pray they may have His joy!	<i>Mark &amp; Carine Lewis, Anaëlle &amp; Joshua</i>
Sun	28	Holy Communion 10h45: Stephen preaches on <i>The massacre of the innocents</i> . Remember our brothers & sisters in peril today!	<i>Pray for our Wardens and Deputy Churchwardens.</i>
Mon	29	Pray for women who seek abortions & those who carry them out.	<i>Pray for Church Secretary.</i>
Tue	30	Pray for all who've taken part in our <i>Alpha</i> course, and for their continuance and blessing in the new year!	<i>Pray for our Church Council &amp; their decisions.</i>
Wed	31	Reflect on God's mercies to you in the past year & give Him thanks!	<i>Pray for Richard &amp; our Finance Committee.</i>
Thu	1	<i>New Year's Day</i> : Make no human resolutions but ask for the Holy Spirit's grace & strength to live this year for your Lord and Saviour.	<i>Give thanks for Val &amp; our Catering Committee.</i>
Fri	2	Give thanks for our musicians and all they mean for our worship!	<i>Pray for Stephen &amp; Marian.</i>
Sat	3	Give thanks for our children & young people: pray for them!	<i>Pray for our Sunday School.</i>

Sun 4 Family Worship 10h45: Come prayerfully to hear God's word! *Pray for our Home Groups.*