



DAI Prayer Update

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Dear friend

We bring you news of an exciting new prayer initiative. Every month going forwards, Laurence Gamlen, DAI UK Chairman and part-time Vicar at Holy Trinity Church Lyne, will be hosting a **“DAI UK Prayer Meeting”** at the Church (Lyne Lane, Lyne, Chertsey KT16 0AJ) and would love to welcome local supporters to join him in prayer for John Rogers’ and Colin Rye’s work, that of the DAI UK Board and that of the global organisation. The first meeting will be held at **7:30pm on Tuesday 18th November** so, if you can, simply turn up and join in. And, if you can’t be there, why not make a diary note to **make DAI the special focus of your prayers on 18th November?**

With sincere thanks for your continuing support, here are our latest prayer requests:

Non-Formal Workshop Curriculum Development

- Give thanks for a really encouraging first-ever **“Curriculum Development Workshop”** which John and Colin facilitated in late August in Colorado Springs. 9 DAI staff based in North America were able to attend and outlines for 4 new Workshops were developed
- Colin then returned to Colorado last week to participate in the **“Curriculum Development Gathering”** for one of these new workshops - **“Spiritual Formation – Pursuing Christlikeness”**. Give thanks for a Spirit-led and blessed, fruitful week which significantly advanced the development of the Workshop which it is hoped will be ready for use around the world in early 2015
- Colin also travels to Guwahati, North East India, in mid-November to run the **“Facilitating Learning”** and **“Fundraising”** workshops and would appreciate your prayers for safe-travel, good health and a time of high-quality learning and fellowship with the students
- John and DAI President Jane Overstreet will be travelling in Africa in November as they pilot the major revision of the **“Introduction to Leadership”** Workshop. They will be in Cameroon, Central Africa, from 9 to 15 November and then they will fly down to South Africa where they will pilot different parts of the workshop in Cape Town (17 & 18 November), Durban (19-20 November) and in Pietermaritzburg (21-22 November). Please pray for their travel and for good health and strength during what will be quite a gruelling trip. Pray too that the new workshop materials will work well and that leaders in Cameroon and in South Africa will be blessed and learn more about leadership as a result of these workshops
- Pray for Jane and John as they work on the final elements of the revised **“Introduction to Leadership”** Workshop between now and their departure for Africa. Jane is putting the final touches to a session on **“Integrity and Accountability”** and John is working on the **“Transforming Conflict”** Session

Master of Arts in Organisational Leadership

- An in depth evaluation of the MA programme, which entailed visiting five institutions that we work with to offer the MA programme in four countries and interviewing dozens of alumni and programme staff, has recently been completed. The study was very fruitful and yielded lots of rich insight into the programme. Pray that the MA team will make sense of what they have seen and heard and that God will give them discernment to help the programme be even more effective in the future
- Pray for the leadership transition taking place. In late October David Fraser will step down from the role of Director which will be taken up by Jim Gieser. Pray for wisdom and clarity for Jim as he adjusts to his new role and for David as he adjusts to the change in his role

- Our French translator, Elisee Lompo, is currently working on the translation of the MA **“Fundraising”** course so that the new curriculum can be used in our MA programme in French speaking West Africa. Please pray for Elisee as he chooses appropriate words and phrases to convey meaning for the students. As part of the project, we need to translate a key resource which is an important element in the English version but getting permission to use this resource from the copyright holder has been protracted. Pray that the copyright holder will confirm their permission and give us the documentation we need so that we can proceed
- Pray for Gerard Pontier, one of our Associate Facilitators from the UK, who will be facilitating the **“Leadership”** Residency and follow-up assignments for a new cohort of students in Nigeria. Gerard travels to Lagos and on to Kaduna starting 1 November and returns 9 / 10 November. Gerard first became involved with DAI when he was part of Pioneers’ Global Leadership programme and was present at a session run by Jane. He previously worked with a group of MA students in Myanmar last year. Give thanks for the granting of his visa application and pray for wisdom, safety and good health and for really good rapport with the students with whom he’ll be working

DAI Nepal

- Give thanks for Narayan Khadka who was appointed Ministry Associate several years ago and has now been promoted to the role of Ministry Center Director for DAI Nepal. Pray for God’s leading as he assumes his new and growing responsibilities

DAI Myanmar (Burma)

- Caleb Overstreet and wife, Heather, joined DAI in September. They are moving from Chiang Mai, Thailand where they have served for the 15 months with International Justice Mission (IJM) to Rangoon, Myanmar where they will work with DAI focusing on young leaders in government, business and the church (as well as encouraging the MA students in Myanmar and staff). Caleb is a lawyer and Heather is a teacher who enjoys discipling women and also stays busy home-schooling their three children. Pray that they settle quickly in Rangoon and establish themselves effectively there

DAI Belgium

- Pray for Herman and Annemie Heyman. Acute lower back and leg pain has impacted Annemie in recent years so please pray for pain-relief, for wisdom for the doctors advising her and for her healing. Pray also that Annemie’s condition would not adversely impact the exciting growth plans that she and Herman share for DAI’s ministry in Belgium
- Pray for the ministry in Belgium which develops two specific forms of outreach:
 - exploring new ground with 20-35 year old non-Christians inside, at the edge or outside of the church
 - providing a place for retreat and focused training for Christians wanting to grow in their discipleship, leadership and church development. This will, God-willing, start September 2015

DAI Staff

- Give thanks and pray for Dr. Seung Lee, now based in Bridgend, Wales, who joined DAI in September as a Senior Consultant. He and his family come from Korea but have been missionaries in Asia for many years including working for several years in China and the Philippines. Seung is an author, teacher, church planter and evangelist and is passionate about leadership development. He will focus on introducing DAI’s training workshops to Korean missionaries in Asia, to the Korean Church and will also be working with his local church in the UK. Seung will be travelling with Jane and John to Cameroon and South Africa in November to get a better understanding of DAI’s work and of the **“Leadership”** course. He will also be facilitating one of the courses in the MA programme in Uganda next March

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