

## Daily Prayer Diary

March – June 2021



SOMA ministers across the Anglican Communion for the transformation of individuals and Churches and the healing of communities and lands by the renewing power of the Holy Spirit through intercession and short-term mission teams.

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### MARCH

- Mon 1** For the Diocese of Maridi's 8th General Synod beginning today; for Bishop Moses and the 400 participants – for good discussion and Holy Spirit renewal.
- Tue 2** For Parish Mission Partner St Stephen's, Twickenham; with thanksgiving for their commitment to supporting SOMA financially, in prayer, and by sending team members.
- Wed 3** For National Director, Stephen Dinsmore, as leader and vision bearer, for continued wisdom boldness and creativity.
- Thu 4** For those keen to host SOMA missions in places where Covid-19 infections are low; for understanding at this time where travel is restricted.
- Fri 5** For the Diocese of Boga, DR Congo; for protection, perseverance under pressure, and fruitfulness for Bishop William as he leads. Pray particularly for the effective discipling of two high profile local warlords who came to faith last year and the disbanding of local militia groups
- Sat 6** For those preparing to lead and speak at our UK Conference; for time set aside to prepare.
- Sun 7** For SOMA Nigeria Director, Archbishop Tunde Adeleye, and for his family.
- Mon 8** For Revd Richard Moy, his wife and children, as he prepares to succeed Stephen Dinsmore as leader and vision bearer of SOMA in September this year.
- Tue 9** For SOMA Finance Administrator Steve Fincher, with thanksgiving for his careful attention to detail.
- Wed 10** For Archbishop Moses' plans for seven conferences each year in Northern Bahr el Ghazal Internal Province, South Sudan; for the Lord's guidance for SOMA's involvement.
- Thu 11** For continued opportunities to share prayer requests with those we are prevented from meeting with due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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- Tue 23** For SOMA Australia Director, Liz Rankin, her parish ministry and for her family.
- Wed 24** For those unable to attend church services due to Covid-19, and for clergy struggling to feed their families due to reductions in weekly offerings.
- Thu 25** For DR Congo, the resolution of ethnic conflicts between tribal groups, good governance and wisdom for Church leaders as they teach reconciliation and peace.
- Fri 26** For SOMA UK Trustee Matt Beer, with thanksgiving for his involvement as a SOMA team leader.
- Sat 27** For the youth of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan as they finalise their strategic plan – a process which started with the SOMA conference in February 2020 and has been delayed.
- Sun 28** For Bishop Turyasingura, East Ruwenzori, Uganda as he plans conferences to 'mend the broken hearted'.
- Mon 29** For Richard Moy as he prepares to take over the role of National Director on 1st September.
- Tue 30** For Primate Archbishop Masimango and congregations in the Diocese of Kindu, DR Congo.

**Wed 31** Thanksgiving that Bishop Pontien, Diocese of Rutana, Burundi, (right) reports low levels of Covid-19 in the country and swift healing by the Lord of those who contract it.



### APRIL

- Thu 1** For all involved in the planning of the SOMA International Board meeting postponed from January; for discernment of the right time and place to hold it with current travel restrictions.

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- Fri 12** For the church planting movement planned in the Diocese of Kamango, DR Congo to bear much fruit
- Sat 13** For Chair of the SOMA UK Trustees Patrick Whitworth, for his ministry, writing, and for his family.
- Sun 14** For Pete and Judy who ensure the smooth running of SOMA's website and email provision, vital for our communications.
- Mon 15** For Christians around the world unable to meet in person due to Covid-19 restrictions and health issues – that they continue to feel part of the Church family.
- Tue 16** For SOMA Intercession Co-ordinator Sue, with thanksgiving for her discernment as she shares messages between team and Intercessors.
- Wed 17** For Primates, Archbishops and Bishops as they lead the churches in their Provinces and Dioceses during the Covid-19 pandemic; for wisdom and discernment in the messages they preach.
- Thu 18** Thanksgiving for those individuals and Churches who support SOMA UK financially – enabling us to bless the 'places less visited'.
- Fri 19** For continued ways to keep in touch with Bishops and other leaders in the Dioceses to which we have been and have planned to go; that we may share together in prayer during this season of being separated.
- Sat 20** For efficient distribution of the Covid-19 vaccine amongst the most vulnerable in the 'places less visited' to which SOMA is called.
- Sun 21** For the Church in South Sudan to continue boldly preaching the message of forgiveness and reconciliation to warring communities.
- Mon 22** For SOMA's sister organisation ReSource as their Director Kevin Roberts (right) prepares for retirement later this year and a new Director is sought.



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- Fri 2** **Good Friday** – Thanksgiving for the ultimate sacrifice.
- Sat 3** For those who are waiting – as the followers of Jesus did on the first Easter Saturday – for faith, patience and expectation.
- Sun 4** **Easter Day** – Christ is risen, Hallelujah! Thanksgiving for the resurrection and the hope it gives us.
- Mon 5** For those who, prevented from attending Church due to Covid-19 restrictions, have lost the desire; for renewed faith and vision.
- Tue 6** For The Most Rev Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, with thanksgiving for his great encouragement of SOMA.
- Wed 7** For clarity for National Director, Stephen Dinsmore, and others as they decide when teams may be able to travel as borders reopen.
- Thu 8** For SOMA Intercession Co-ordinator Kate Brankin's work, alongside Archbishop Justin Badi Arama, in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; thanksgiving for this communication link between ECSS Bishops and SOMA.
- Fri 9** For SOMA Trustee Lesley Cooper; with thanksgiving for her commitment to SOMA intercession, and for her family.
- Sat 10** For Finance Administrator Steve Fincher, (right) with thanksgiving for his diligence in managing the SOMA finances.
- Sun 11** For preparations for our UK conference in May – including clarity concerning if we may gather to meet face to face or on how best to meet if not.
- Mon 12** For clarity on timing and location of SOMA missions at the point travel restrictions ease, for both Stephen Dinsmore and Richard Moy.



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- Tue 13** For Bishop Achille and the clergy, parishes and congregations in the Diocese of Kinshasa, DR Congo; also for Mr Nathan Chinedu and members of the Nigerian congregation at Kinshasa Cathedral.
- Wed 14** For those preparing the induction programme for Richard Moy, replacing Stephen Dinsmore as our National Director, during the summer.
- Thu 15** For Boga Diocese, DR Congo, as Bishop William leads their ministry to support 500 displaced families, and preach the Good News to people burdened by poverty and conflict.
- Fri 16** For Dioceses in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan celebrating the election of new Bishops this year as former Bishops retire.
- Sat 17** For Dioceses which border South Sudan with Sudan; for God to raise up strong people and open opportunities for evangelism.
- Sun 18** For Parish Mission Partner All Saints, Merriott; Rectors Julia and Bob, the supportive home church of National Director Stephen Dinsmore and his wife Janet.
- Mon 19** Please pray for David Kereto, Maasai Land, Kenya; for successful coordinated communications between Pastors George, Stephen, Amos and David as they wait for the 'right' time to hold a follow up mission.
- Tue 20** For opportunities to encourage more Churches to commit to being SOMA Parish Mission Partners; enabling more to be involved and encouraged in mission, intercession and giving.
- Wed 21** Thanksgiving for SOMA Trustee Jenny Brown; for the clarity of thinking that she brings to the Trustees, and for her work with Christian Aid.



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- Thu 22** On the third anniversary of his installation as Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, please pray with thanksgiving, for the leadership of Most Revd Dr Justin Badi Arama – Chair of SOMA International – and his great encouragement of SOMA.
- Fri 23** For SOMA Administrator Judy Deegan, for good communication with SOMA team members, supporters and Intercessors.
- Sat 24** For SOMA Southern Africa Director, Christian Viljoen, thanksgiving for his wise leadership, and for his family.
- Sun 25** For current SOMA UK Patron Bishop Graham Cray, with thanksgiving for his involvement in SOMA missions and his advocating for SOMA.



Graham and Jackie Cray

- Mon 26** Thanksgiving for those individuals and churches who support SOMA UK financially; enabling us to bless the 'places less visited'.
- Tue 27** For events being held in celebration of the Provincial 50th Anniversary of the Anglican Church of Tanzania this year.
- Wed 28** For SOMA Trustee Treasurer Barry Hampson, with thanksgiving for his skill and knowledge, and for his family.
- Thu 29** For those with homes and livelihoods affected by landslides and flooding in the Diocese of East Ruwenzori, Uganda, that the Lord will provide for all their needs.
- Fri 30** For SOMA Parish Mission Partners St Mary's, Marlborough and St George's, Preshute, with thanksgiving for their faithful involvement with SOMA.

#### MAY

- Sat 1** For Archbishop Ezekiel Kondo as he leads the Episcopal Church of Sudan; for peace in the country, with thanksgiving for changes in government.

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- Wed 26** For youth in the 'places less visited' who have missed out on education because of school closures during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Thu 27** For SOMA UK Trustee David Rowe, thanksgiving for his long association with, and continued contribution to, SOMA, and for his family.
- Fri 28** For Bishop Cyrille, Beni Diocese, DR Congo, as he leads during a time of conflict, political instability and disease.
- Sat 29** For SOMA's sister organisation ReSource as they face the challenges of ministry during the pandemic, and also discern the right person to succeed Kevin Roberts
- Sun 30** For the encouragement of SOMA intercessors as they focus on the 'places less visited' during this time of restricted travel.
- Mon 31** For Kate Brankin co-ordinating regular communications to SOMA Intercessors and updating the Daily Prayer Diary for our website, Twitter, PrayerMate and Facebook.

#### JUNE

- Tue 1** For Richard Moy and Stephen Dinsmore as they begin working alongside one another, for a smooth transition between National Directors.
- Wed 2** For Bishop Dan, clergy and congregations in the Diocese of Kinkiizi, Uganda.
- Thu 3** For SOMA Trustee Lesley Cooper; with thanksgiving for her involvement in, and contribution to, SOMA missions.
- Fri 4** For the many women who rise early and sleep late to ensure food is provided and prepared for family members; for their protection as they continue to visit often crowded markets during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Sat 5** For SOMA Administrator, Judy Deegan, for wisdom in her communications with team members, intercessors and supporters.
- Sun 6** For Stephen Dinsmore and Richard Moy, for wisdom and discernment as they make decisions about when and how to resume sending mission teams.

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- Sun 2** For SOMA Ireland Director, Henry Blair, as he builds contacts at home and abroad, and for his family.
- Mon 3** Thanksgiving and blessing for those who give financially to enable SOMA to minister in the 'places less visited' and to assist our invaluable overseas team members.
- Tue 4** Thanksgiving for our National Director, Stephen Dinsmore, his vision, call and leadership.
- Wed 5** For Verité, SOMA's publisher and printer, designer Pete, staff, and director Chris Powell.
- Thu 6** For Bishop Elias, Diocese of Tabora, Tanzania, (right) who is planning for a retreat with his clergy to pray and be refreshed.
- Fri 7** For the proposed new Diocese of Kalemie, DR Congo, currently part of Katanga Diocese. For a SOMA team to be able to travel there this year or next.
- Sat 8** For the successful and efficient implementation of the peace agreement in South Sudan.
- Sun 9** For Parish Mission Partner St Jude's Plymouth, with thanksgiving for their commitment to sending team members, prayer and intercession, and finance for SOMA.
- Mon 10** For Finance Administrator Steve Fincher, for continued faith as he manages the Lord's provision for SOMA; and for discernment in the recruitment of a new Finance Administrator after Steve's retirement at the end of July.
- Tue 11** For clarity on when to start preparing for future missions in line with travel and other Covid-19 restrictions throughout the world.
- Wed 12** For SOMA UK Trustee Matt Beer, with thanksgiving for his commitment to encourage younger people to become involved in cross-cultural mission with SOMA.
- Thu 13** For SOMA Nigeria Director, Archbishop Tunde Adeleye, and for his family.



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- Mon 7** For Bishop Moses of Maridi, Archbishop Samuel, Stephen Dinsmore, and team leader Kate Brankin, as they agree dates for our postponed mission to the youth leaders in Western Equatoria Internal Province, South Sudan.
- Tue 8** For intercession co-ordinators worldwide: Rose-Marie Tasker-Edwards, Geoffrey, Debbie, Pam.
- Wed 9** For those Dioceses which we had planned to visit in 2020; that the Lord will open the door to visits in His time.
- Thu 10** For Bishop David Williams (right) as he prepares to take over the role of Patron of SOMA UK this summer.
- Fri 11** For Richard Moy's home church, Christ Church W4, London, his wife and three children.
- Sat 12** For Finance Administrator Steve Fincher, with thanksgiving for his diligence in managing SOMA's finances, and for his transition to retirement in July.
- Sun 13** For Bishop Kosea and congregations in the Diocese of Soroti, Uganda, for discernment for when the postponed mission may now take place.
- Mon 14** For team members eager to travel on mission; for comfort as they wait for the time when it is safe enough to travel out and to be received.
- Tue 15** For SOMA UK trustees and staff as they meet together today; that they keep in step with the Spirit as they make decisions.
- Wed 16** For The Most Rev Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury and leader of the worldwide Anglican Communion; for continued wisdom in his leadership. Thanksgiving for his support of SOMA.
- Thu 17** For Chair of the SOMA UK Trustees Patrick Whitworth, with thanksgiving for his involvement as a SOMA team leader.
- Fri 18** For Parish Mission Partner All Saints Weston, Bath, for more opportunities for the congregation to 'catch the SOMA vision' and for more to be involved in missions as team members and intercessors.



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- Fri 14** Thanksgiving for the lasting impact of SOMA missions in the lives of delegates and team members.
- Sat 15** For all involved in the writing, proofing and printing of the next edition of our *SHARING* newsletter and *Daily Prayer Diary*.
- Sun 16** For the SOMA office; for the smooth running of equipment enabling our communications with team members, intercessors and inviting Bishops.
- Mon 17** For Archbishop Jackson as he leads the Anglican Church of Kenya, with thanksgiving for their online services, keeping congregations connected, during the COVID-19 restrictions.
- Tue 18** For all attending the UK conference, for open hearts and minds to all the Lord has for them.
- Wed 19** For good conversations as SOMA team members, leaders, intercessors, supporters and staff share together at the UK conference.
- Thu 20** As our UK conference closes today please pray that all who have attended are inspired and envisioned.
- Fri 21** For the SOMA International Board Chair the Most Revd Dr Justin Badi Arama, Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.
- Sat 22** Thanksgiving for the clear, continuing, prophetic Call to SOMA to 'care for the nervous system of the body of Christ'.
- Sun 23** For the Lambeth 2022 conference preparations and the online activities planned in the run up to it.
- Mon 24** For the former Bishop of Athooh, Moses Anur Ayom, (right) as he leads and facilitates reconciliation in Jonglei Internal Province, South Sudan.
- Tue 25** For SOMA Administrator, Judy Deegan, for wisdom in her communications with team members, intercessors and supporters.



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- Sat 19** For SOMA Singapore Director, Joel Leow, thanksgiving for the many contacts with emerging churches, and for his family.
- Sun 20** For those thinking "if only I could go..." while reading and hearing of others on mission – for the Lord to make clear how they could be more involved when travel allows.
- Mon 21** For Chair of the SOMA International Board, Most Revd Justin Badi Arama, as he speaks for SOMA and in his leadership role in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.
- Tue 22** For the Episcopal Church of Sudan, for its leaders as they preach the Good News, for protection from Covid-19, for aid to reach those who need it, and for revival.
- Wed 23** For continued financial provision to enable SOMA to minister in the 'places less visited'.
- Thu 24** For Stephen Dinsmore, Richard Moy and Patrick Whitworth as they prepare for Richard's commissioning service on the 6th July at Richard's home church in London.
- Fri 25** Thanksgiving for the lasting international friendships made between delegates and team members during SOMA missions.
- Sat 26** For those receiving our latest *SHARING* newsletter; that hearts are stirred to pray as they read news from our friends abroad.
- Sun 27** For National Director Stephen Dinsmore, his wife Janet, and for their wider family.
- Mon 28** For SOMA Trustee Merisa MacInnes and for her family.
- Tue 29** For SOMA's sister organisation *ReSource* as they face the challenges of ministry in the UK during the pandemic.
- Wed 30** For the Diocesan Synod, starting today, in the Diocese of Kibondo, Tanzania; for Bishop Sospeter and all attending.



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