



Global  
Disability  
Inclusion

A photograph of a group of people in a village setting. In the foreground, an elderly woman with a joyful expression is clapping her hands. She wears a blue headwrap with red and yellow patterns and a light blue t-shirt. Behind her, a woman in a light blue shirt and orange headwrap smiles, and a young boy in a patterned shirt looks on. The background shows traditional thatched-roof huts under a clear blue sky.

# Prayer Diary

FEBRUARY – JUNE 2025

FEB

Prayers for peace



**Children's drawings on the wall of a shelter at Kutupalong refugee camp, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.**

SUN  
9

Father, we thank you for CBM supporters who generously give and make our work possible. May you continue to bless each supporter and their families in all they do.

MON  
10

Lord we pray for peace in countries living in conflict. May you bring comfort and strength to families who have lost so much.

TUE  
11

We thank you for volunteers and local partners working in the world's largest refugee camp in Cox's Bazar in Bangladesh. We pray that those people can feel safe and loved.

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

JOHN 14:27

FEB

Prayers for peace

WED  
12

Father we pray that we may build hope through steps for peace and break down the barriers that divide us and cause conflict among us.

THU  
13

Lord, you are our refuge, peace and strength. We pray for comfort and sustenance for all those people living with disabilities in the Philippines affected by widespread flooding and landslides.

FRI  
14

We pray for peace and reconciliation for those facing stigma and discrimination, and living in isolation. Father, may you unite communities and end discrimination and violence.

SAT  
15

Lord, thank you for CBM staff who are using their expertise to train project teams at partner hospitals. We pray for protection and peace as they travel.



**We are working with local partners in Bangladesh to support Rohingya refugees, with a focus on supporting people with physical, intellectual and psychosocial disabilities.**

Front cover: "Praise God for what has been done." Mafunasi, 85, returns home after successful cataract surgery in Malawi, East Africa.

Prayers provided by Doné McConnell, Senior Supporter Relations Officer, CBM UK

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FEB

Prayers for Disability Justice

SUN  
16

We pray for persons with disabilities who have been discriminated against, and those who were discriminatory. May we follow Christ's example and practice respect and love from and for each other.

TUE  
18

We pray for those working on improving justice and rights for persons with disabilities. May God give them strength, courage, and wisdom in their work, and success in their efforts.

MON  
17

We pray for a society that is accountable to persons with disabilities. We pray that society recognises and addresses injustices committed against those persons, and upholds their rights.

**Aanand, aged 7, from Nepal, South Asia, has his eyes examined at the Sagarmatha Choudhary Eye Hospital.**



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'But as for you, return to your God, hold fast to love and justice, and wait continually for your God.' **HOSEA 12:6**

FEB

Prayers for Disability Justice

**Aanand and his mother, Bhulli, are overjoyed and excited for Aanand's future following successful cataract surgery.**



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WED  
19

Lord, we ask you to help us make a house of many rooms, to build a space where all can dwell, especially persons with disabilities, and live exactly as who they are and want to be.

FRI  
21

We pray for the disability justice movement, that it reaches into even the most difficult to access areas of the world, and that it makes the voices of persons with disabilities finally heard.

THU  
20

On this **World Day of Social Justice**, we pray that the rights and freedoms of persons with disabilities are respected and promoted. We pray for strength to build a fair and equitable society for all.

SAT  
22

We pray for the strength and wisdom to be guided by people with disabilities in all we do. We ask for God's help to implement the goal 'nothing without us', not merely 'nothing about us without us'.

Prayers provided by a Friend of CBM UK

## FEB/MAR

Prayers against discrimination

SUN  
23

Lord, we pray for children who are unable to go to school due to avoidable blindness. May schools welcome inclusive education so that children with disabilities can learn and thrive.

MON  
24

Father, we pray for women who feel isolated due to obstetric fistula. Thank you for surgeons who can treat women and help them feel accepted as they reconnect back into their communities.

**Orthopaedic consultant Dr Bikram Thapa examines a patient at a mobile outreach clinic organised by the Hospital and Rehabilitation Centre for Disabled Children (HRDC), Nepal.**

TUE  
25

Father, we thank you that you never forsake us. We pray that families and communities of people living with disabilities can work together against discrimination and isolation.



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## FEB/MAR

Prayers against discrimination



**Bishnu, aged 8, from Nepal, has cerebral palsy. Here, Bishnu has a mould prepared for a leg brace at HRDC.**

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WED  
26

Lord, you created us all differently, but all perfectly. We pray for people living with disabilities who often feel forgotten, may they be given equal opportunities to live in an inclusive world.

THU  
27

Lord, we thank you for CBM's partner, Biratnagar Eye Hospital, where children and adults who cannot afford treatment and have experienced isolation can have life changing surgeries to restore sight.

FRI  
28

Father we pray for all people living with mental health conditions. Thank you for CBM projects which eradicate discrimination due to mental health conditions.

SAT  
1

Lord, thank you for CBM supporters, whose generosity continues to provide support for people living in poverty or facing unjust discrimination that have been displaced due to conflict or climate crisis.

MAR

Prayers for Lent



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**Rekha, left, works for the Centre for Mental Health and Counselling Nepal, a CBM partner. She visits people in the community to provide counselling and mental health support.**

SUN  
2

Dear God, guide us through this time of Lent. Bless our loved ones, strengthen our relationships, and remind us that you are always with us.

MON  
3

Dear God, help us to share your love with all, including people with disabilities. May we embrace diversity and show kindness to all as we remember that we are all your beloved children.

TUE  
4

Dear God, we thank you for your guidance and strength as we near the end of the first quarter of the year. Help us to stay focused on our goals and finish strong, trusting in your love and support. We pray for all people waiting for sight-restoring surgery. Grant them peace and reassurance, dignity and strength, and loving communities to surround and support them.

'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.' **JOHN 8:12**

MAR

Prayers for Lent

WED  
5

O God, keep us from falling. Protect us from harm and guide us towards your light. May we find strength and courage in your love.

THU  
6

Dear God, we may be confused, we may be tired. Therefore, grant us the wisdom to discern your will and the courage to follow it so that we may reach our highest potential.

FRI  
7

Dear God, bless us and help us to make the most of the time you've given us. May we find purpose and joy in each day and approach the end of the week with gratitude and hope.

SAT  
8

Dear God, we pray for your blessings and guidance. May your love fill our hearts with warmth, and your light shine upon our path. Help us complete our missions with success and joy.

**Rekha also visits schools and communities to raise awareness of mental health issues. Here, she conducts a session for students in Madhesh Province, where we have been implementing a child mental health project.**



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Prayers provided by Jaka Anom Ahmed Yusuf, Senior Programme Officer, Community-Based Inclusive Development, CBM Indonesia



MAR

Prayers for Education

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**Possible, aged 19, attends a disability-inclusive school in Nigeria supported by CBM and Elim. He is visually impaired, and learns using braille materials.**

SUN  
9

Lord, we thank you for schoolteachers who dedicate themselves to caring for and supporting each of their students. We give thanks especially for their commitment to creating cultures of inclusion in their classrooms.

MON  
10

We pray for systemic change to policies so more children and young people with disabilities can attend school. May you give CBM teams and advisors your wisdom as they push for policies that will ensure schools are inclusive for each student.

TUE  
11

Heavenly Father, we pray this will be a year where more children with disabilities have the chance to go to school. Be with all those who are advocating for inclusive education.

'Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.'

PROVERBS 16:3

MAR

Prayers for Education

WED  
12

We pray for the provision of assistive devices such as braille materials and large-print texts, which make lessons and resources accessible to children with sight loss. May accessibility continue to be prioritised, so that no child is left behind.

THU  
13

We pray that access to school will bless children with disabilities with the opportunity to learn and play with other children, and grant them their rights.

FRI  
14

Lord, today we pray together for the training of more teachers in sign language so they can communicate effectively with deaf children.

SAT  
15

God of wisdom, we pray for a world in which every child can access education, and get the best possible start in life. Bless the work of teachers and parents who dedicate themselves to educating children with disabilities.

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**Possible has high hopes for the future his education has given him. "I want to study law in university... I want to be a lawyer because I want to defend the rights of people with disabilities."**

MAR

Prayers for inclusive Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

SUN  
16

We give thanks this week for the work of our partners in Kano State, Nigeria, who are supporting communities with the installation of boreholes, which give access to safe water and reduce the transmission of neglected tropical diseases.

TUE  
18

God, we thank you for all the beautiful rivers and lakes you have created. We pray that landowners and governments will care for these crucial waterways that provide essential water to communities, crops and animals.

MON  
17

Lord, we pray for a world in which all people have access to clean, safe water, and for you to strengthen all people who are working to improve water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in some of the world's poorest places.

**A man collects water from a man-made lake in Kano, Nigeria. We are working alongside Health and Development Support Programme Nigeria (HANDS) to increase access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH).**



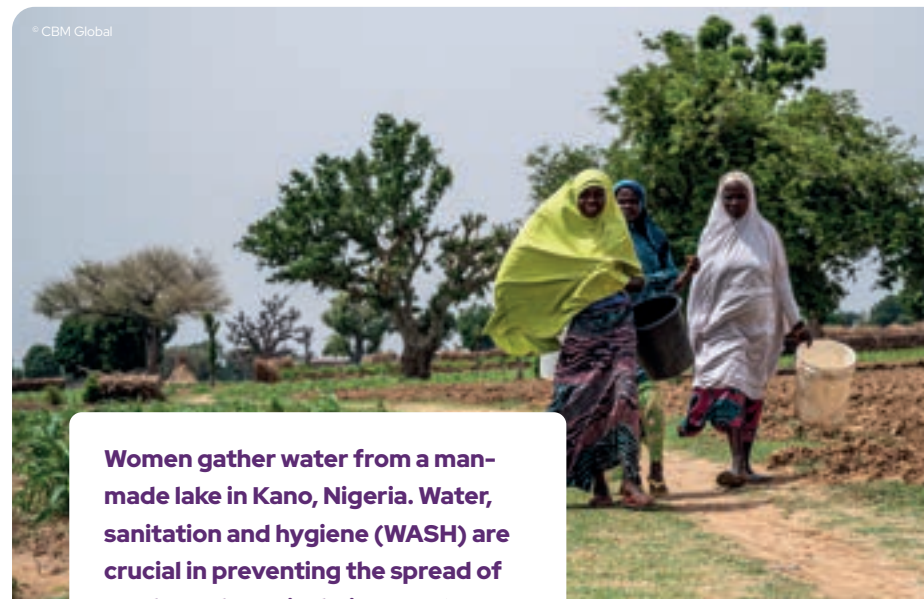
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'Thus says the Lord of hosts: Render true judgements, show kindness and mercy to one another'. **ZECHARIAH 7:9**

MAR

Prayers for inclusive Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

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**Women gather water from a man-made lake in Kano, Nigeria. Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) are crucial in preventing the spread of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs).**

WED  
19

We pray that governments and decision-makers will remain committed to supporting inclusive WASH, and that communities continue to share knowledge of these practices for the benefit of all members.

FRI  
21

Many schools have no accessible toilets or washrooms for children and young people with disabilities. We pray for critical funding for accessible toilets and washrooms.

THU  
20

God of life, we give thanks for the joy that accessible WASH facilities have brought to communities in Nigeria, and pray with hope that this joy will continue to be replicated elsewhere.

SAT  
22

We pray that CBM teams and local partners are successful at raising awareness in communities about the need for clean water, sanitation and washing practices to prevent sickness and disease.

Prayers provided by Friends of CBM

MAR

Prayers for Community-Based Inclusive  
Development projectsSUN  
23

Lord, bless CBM's work in Africa, Asia and the Pacific. Guide our local partners as they develop community-based strategies to support people with disabilities, helping them to be more included and involved in their communities.

MON  
24

Lord, we thank you for being with our teams as they look for marginalised people who are most at risk of being left behind. Guide them with your wisdom when they come alongside them.

**Chandrakala lives in Nepal, South Asia, and has been supported by our youth entrepreneurship programme, which equips young people with disabilities with the skills and knowledge to sustain their own small businesses.**

TUE  
25

Lord, guide CBM teams as they speak with government officials and community leaders about disability issues. Move them to increase awareness and bring about the necessary changes for inclusion and equality.



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MAR

Prayers for Community-Based Inclusive  
Development projects

**It was Chandrakala's dream to be a beautician – and thanks to the work of our local partners, and supporters like you, this has become a reality for her.**



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WED  
26

Lord, help Organisations of Persons with Disabilities to create environments where people with disabilities can be involved in community groups and social activities. May they form strong bonds of solidarity with others, fostering a sense of belonging and support.

FRI  
28

Lord, we thank you for projects helping children with disabilities attend school. May growing awareness of disability continue to open doors for education and inclusion.

SAT  
29

Lord, we pray that marginalised people are informed and invited to be a part of inclusive development in their own communities. Help their voices to be heard so they can influence structures and services.

THU  
27

We pray for our community programs in high-risk areas. Bless their efforts in community preparedness and resilience for when disasters or conflicts strike. Protect and strengthen all involved, ensuring safety and unity in times of crisis.

Prayers provided by CBM Australia

'For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.'  
CORINTHIANS 3:9



MAR/APR

Prayers for Nigeria, West Africa



**Faith (right) had to leave school due to obstetric fistula. After receiving treatment and support from our partner in Nigeria, she has regained her health and independence, and is now enrolled in a culinary school and is learning how to bake.**

**SUN 30** God, we ask that more women in Nigeria with obstetric fistula be identified so they can be referred for treatment. May you equip our teams and partners who are raising awareness about obstetric fistula and looking for women who need support in this way.

**MON 31** Lord, we pray you will continue to bless projects in Nigeria that help people start businesses. Thank you for our supporters and partners who enable the provision of livelihoods loans.

**TUE 1** Lord, we thank you for your provision of kits and medication, so health workers in Nigeria will be better equipped to monitor the wellbeing of mothers and babies.

'Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"' **JOHN 11:25-26**

MAR/APR

Prayers for Nigeria, West Africa

**WED 2** Lord, today we pray for men and women in Nigeria who are learning about their rights to health services. Continue to strengthen their voices and agency when they speak up for their rights.

**THU 3** Father, we thank you that women in Nigeria are forming Self-Help Groups and have been supporting other women with obstetric fistula.

**FRI 4** Lord, we thank you for the provision of supplies of medication and treatments for eye conditions such as glaucoma and river blindness. May all who need to access these treatments be able to do so.

**SAT 5** Heavenly Father, today we hold before you every precious infant and child in Nigeria, and remember Psalm 139:13: "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb."



**Surgeons operating on a child cataract patient at ECWA Eye Hospital, Nigeria. Your support funds this essential work, making vital cataract surgery available to families who otherwise would not be able to afford it.**

Prayers provided by Friends of CBM

APR

Prayers for CBM's work to save sight



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**Dharma, aged 40, travelled from India to Nepal to access treatment for a blinding cataract in his right eye. "The cataract is growing, and my vision is decreasing so I am worried," he shared.**

SUN  
6

Father, as we begin a new week we recognise our dependence on you for everything we have. Thank you for your love and care for us. Help us to be faithful in prayer for CBM's work this week.

MON  
7

Lord, three out of four people in the world who are blind don't need to be. We grieve over the injustices that make this true. We pray for better access to eyecare for people in the poorest places.

TUE  
8

God, we commit to you our new eye care project in Western Kenya, and pray it will be fruitful over many years. Please would this enable many people in rural areas to access the eye care they need.

'Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ.'  
GALATIANS 6:2

APR

Prayers for CBM's work to save sight

WED  
9

Lord, we pray for your help and provision for families and communities who are drawn further into poverty because avoidable blindness has stopped people from being able to work.

THU  
10

Father God, thank you for our eye care projects in Masvingo and Midlands provinces in Zimbabwe. Please help them to reach the adults and children most in need of eye care in their local areas.

FRI  
11

We pray for the many children who can't go to school, or follow their lessons, because they can't access the right eyecare to correct their vision. Please provide what they need to thrive in school.

**Dharma smiles after successful cataract surgery at longstanding CBM partner, Biratnagar Eye Hospital.**

SAT  
12

Lord, thank you for our long-standing sight work in northern Nigeria. We pray you will provide all that the project needs to continue serving the community, from staff through to the right equipment.



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APR

Prayers for Holy Week

SUN  
13

This Palm Sunday, Lord, as we come together as one body, with and without disabilities, strengthen our communities and increase our joy at your presence among us.

MON  
14

We pray for all people who are experiencing poverty this Holy Week, and ask you to continually move us to act in pursuit of equity and fair distribution of wealth and resources. We pray that systems and institutions will put people, each one of us your children, before profits, and we lament the prevalence of selfishness and greed in our world.

TUE  
15

Lord Jesus, as we seek to share the stories of our work and the people whom we support, may our storytelling be diverse, inclusive and collaborative, and may the voices of people with disabilities inform and guide us.

**Mafunasi, 85, has her visual acuity examined by Ophthalmic Clinical Officer Precious Chirwa in Mwansambo, Malawi. Mafunasi was blind due to cataracts in both of her eyes, but underwent successful cataract surgery funded by CBM supporters.**



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'Jesus answered "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand."' **JOHN 13:7**

APR

Prayers for Holy Week



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**"It brings joy to my life knowing I can walk around without any assistance. I will be able to do things myself again."**

WED  
16

Help us to love like you do, Lord, and to see your face – the face of love – in the face of every person we encounter.

THU  
17

This Maundy Thursday, we remember how you washed the feet of your friends and exemplified your love for us in the breaking of bread. We pray that we will always welcome all people to our tables and live lives of hospitality and love.

FRI  
18

'When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.' **JOHN 19:30.** As we hold space for prayer, grief and silence this Good Friday, soften our hardened hearts to receive your love.

SAT  
19

As we ask, 'Where are you?', give us faith. Be present with us in our waiting, in our fear and our confusion, and comfort all those, known and unknown to us, who ask, 'Where are you, Lord?'

Prayers provided by Reuben Jenkins, Marketing Officer, CBM UK



APR

Prayers for Easter

SUN  
20

This **Easter Sunday**, we rejoice in the knowledge that Christ has conquered death and sin and risen in glory, and are filled with wonder at the miracle of the resurrection.

MON  
21

Bless all CBM partner organisations, who work tirelessly to transform the lives of people with disabilities. Hold them close to you, Lord, and guide and encourage them.

TUE  
22

We ask that you will grant strength to people who may be waiting for sight-saving surgery or other forms of medical care, and be with them as they wait for the treatment that they need.



**Sunrise over Lake Malawi  
in Nkhotakota, Malawi,  
Southeast Africa.**

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'He is not here, but has risen!' **LUKE 24:6**

APR

Prayers for Easter



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**Sunset in Chimanimani, Zimbabwe.**

WED  
23

We pray for the safety and dignity of all people with disabilities, in their communities, churches, and in healthcare settings, and give thanks for people with disabilities who work so hard to advocate for themselves and others.

THU  
24

We ask for your blessing on CBM supporters, whose faithful and generous support makes the work of our partners possible. Thank you for their dedication and their desire to reach out to their neighbours.

FRI  
25

We pray for people who live in areas that are prone to disasters like earthquakes and floods, and especially for people with disabilities who we know to be most at risk when disasters occur.

SAT  
26

We pray for peace in a violent world, and pray that we will always listen to your voice, the voice of peace.

APR/MAY

Prayers for Climate Justice

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**Here in the south of Madagascar, drought and the climate crisis are impacting rainfall, yet people who live here depend on rain to grow crops and sustain livelihoods.**

SUN  
27

Heavenly father we thank you for the beauty and wonder of this world. Help us to care and look after what you have so generously entrusted into our hands. Forgive us for the ways in which we have not done so.

MON  
28

We pray for countries and communities affected by climate related disasters. We ask for wisdom, clarity and insight for all those supporting response efforts that these will be driven by local needs and concerns.

TUE  
29

We thank you for people with disabilities and their representative organisations across the world engaged in disability inclusive climate action. We pray that their voices will not go unheard and their contribution listened to and acted upon.

'The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.' **PSALM 24:1-2**

APR/MAY

Prayers for Climate Justice

WED  
30

We pray for the Climate Just Communities programme in Rwanda, Malawi and Zambia and the specific desire for inclusion of persons with disabilities. We thank you for our CBM UK partners and pray for good outcomes for the local communities they are serving.

THU  
1

Thank you for the opportunities given to CBM UK to engage and speak to Government and those in authority about the need for disability inclusive climate approaches at international, regional, national and local level. May these conversations be fruitful and lead to action.

FRI  
2

We pray for all our partners and organisations that are working in local communities to develop plans to adapt their situations to climate change. Help them to ensure that this leads to resilience that will protect and give hope to everyone in the future.

SAT  
3

Help us Lord to always seek to protect those most vulnerable to climate change and who are often the most marginalised in their communities. Give us a passion to love our neighbour and care for each other and our world.

**A farmer observes the dunes of sand which cover his field on the road from Amboasary to Ambovombe, Madagascar. The sand is carried by the wind and exacerbated by the low rainfall.**



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Prayers provided by Mark Barrell, Director of Advocacy, CBM UK

## MAY

Prayers for people affected  
by Neglected Tropical DiseasesSUN  
4

Father, may your love and compassion shine through health workers in the communities we work in who are bringing treatments to protect against river blindness and elephantiasis.

MON  
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God, thank you for guiding CBM to remote communities vulnerable to Neglected Tropical Diseases. We pray for continued supplies of sight-saving medications for these communities.

TUE  
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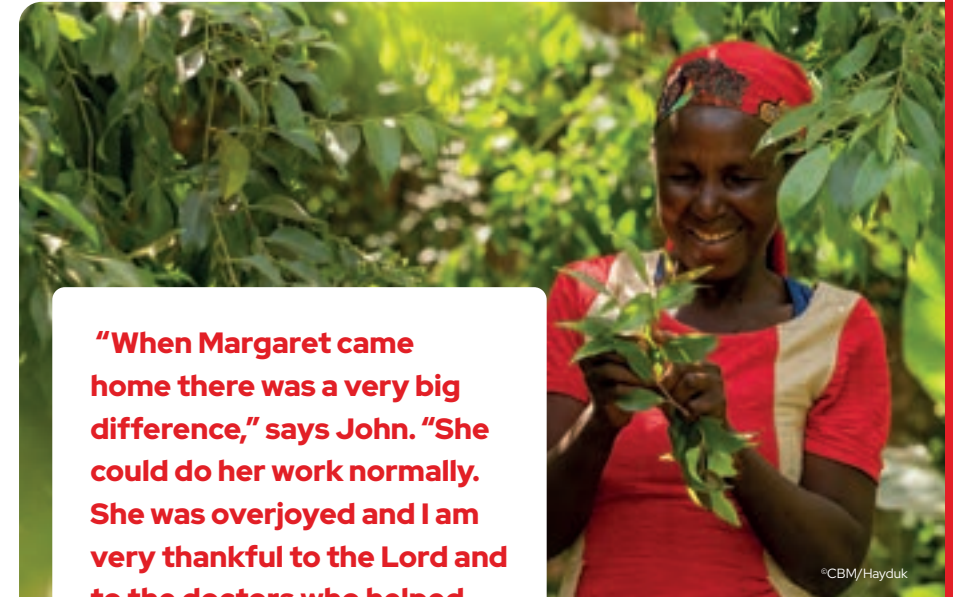
Thank you, Lord, for the efforts of CBM teams who teach their communities about water, hygiene and sanitation, preventing disabilities from infectious trachoma and snail fever.

**Margaret and her husband, John, at their home in Kenya, East Africa. Margaret had trachoma, a painful eye condition which made even basic tasks impossible, and received surgery as part of the MERU Inclusive Trachoma (MINT) Project.**



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## MAY

Prayers for people affected  
by Neglected Tropical Diseases

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**"When Margaret came home there was a very big difference," says John. "She could do her work normally. She was overjoyed and I am very thankful to the Lord and to the doctors who helped. The problem is gone!"**

WED  
7

God, we ask that you bless sanitation projects in communities at risk of Neglected Tropical Diseases. May accessible toilets and bathroom facilities prevent sickness, disease and death.

FRI  
9

Lord, we ask for your continued help in the elimination of Neglected Tropical Diseases around the world. Please help us replicate this success in the countries where we work.

THU  
8

Lord, inspire researchers and health care professionals to continue developing and improving treatments for the more than twenty types of Neglected Tropical Diseases.

SAT  
10

Father, we pray for all people who are affected by Neglected Tropical Diseases, that they may be able to access support within their communities.

'I can do all this through him who gives me strength.' **PHILIPPIANS 4:13**



MAY

Prayers for people living with avoidable blindness



Some of our sight-saving work in Zimbabwe has been led by our partner Zimbabwe Council of the Blind. Here, cataract patients wait to go down for surgery.

SUN  
11

God, we pray you will bless CBM's eye programs. Thank you for all of our partners working to ensure that people at risk of losing their sight have quick access to medication and corrective surgeries.

MON  
12

Lord, we thank you for CBM partners, who are fitting and distributing glasses for those with limited eyesight in some of the world's poorest communities.

TUE  
13

Thank you, Lord, for all the dedicated eye surgeons and health workers, working in the poorest parts of the world. Guide their hands as they perform these surgeries to bring restored vision, joy, and new life to people living with avoidable blindness.

MAY

Prayers for people living with avoidable blindness

WED  
14

We pray that you will hold in your loving arms all people who are currently living with avoidable blindness, and who have not yet been able to access treatment.

THU  
15

We pray for the strengthening of systems which are working to make eye care affordable and accessible for all people, and which prioritise caring for people over profits.

FRI  
16

Be with our project partners and participants in moments of joy, Lord – when bandages are removed after cataract surgery, and people can see their families and friends clearly again.

SAT  
17

Lord, we pray for a world in which nobody is needlessly blind. Be with us as we strive for justice and work together to build a more equal world.



Following cataract surgery at the Norton Eye Unit, Zimbabwe, patients wait for their bandages to be removed. It is an exciting and emotional moment when someone who may have been unable to see their loved ones' faces for years is finally able to see again.

'And let us consider how we may spur one another on to love and good deeds.'  
HEBREWS 10:24

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## MAY

Prayers for people affected by obstetric fistula

SUN  
18

Lord, we pray for a future where no mother endures fistula injury. Guide health care providers and workers in their communities to create awareness that helps prevent and treat this condition so no mother need feel alone.

MON  
19

Father, we seek your guidance in preventing and treating fistula. Help local healthcare workers to educate communities about this condition so women can receive timely intervention and avoid the pain and isolation it causes.

TUE  
20

Father, we lift up healthcare workers and our partner organisations dedicated to preventing and treating obstetric fistula. Bless their efforts and provide the resources they need to make a difference in the lives of all mothers.



**Halima, a school teacher and mother of four, developed fistula after the birth of her last child. She shared, "Since I developed this condition, I set my alarm to wake up every hour, and every three hours during the day, so that I don't wet myself."**

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'There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.' **1 JOHN 4:18**

## MAY

Prayers for people affected by obstetric fistula

**"When I was told I'd have another surgery, I was scared because of what I passed through. The doctor counselled me and explained the situation to me and when I saw that there were other women who had similar issues I was comforted. The surgery went well and I am happy."**



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WED  
21

We pray for women facing the barriers of stigma and shame, preventing them from seeking health care. Empower them with courage and access to proper diagnosis and treatment, and help us to tear down patriarchal systems which lead to healthcare inequality.

THU  
22

God, we ask for compassion and understanding in communities where women with fistula are stigmatised. Help these women find the love and support they need to regain their health and thrive.

FRI  
23

Today, on **International Day to End Obstetric Fistula**, we lift up the two million women with obstetric fistula worldwide. We pray for timely and appropriate interventions to prevent and treat fistula, leading to full recovery and reintegration into society.

SAT  
24

Lord, we pray for the families of mothers with fistula. May they stand by their loved ones, offering support and care during their recovery and reintegration into society.

Prayers provided by Friends of CBM

## MAY

Prayers for the work of our partner organisations

SUN  
25

Lord, thank you for those who work tirelessly in the support of others in the UK and in the poorest countries of the world. Today we pray for our partner staff whose tireless commitment to the communities they serve makes our work possible.

MON  
26

God of love, we are grateful for the volunteers who help to raise awareness of disability inclusion and reduce stigma within their communities, to increase take up of initiatives and to help ensure that solutions are locally appropriate.

**After successful cataract surgery, Diabolo, aged 13, from Madagascar, can see himself clearly.**

TUE  
27

Merciful Father, bless our partner staff working in Nigeria, Bangladesh and Kenya in challenging circumstances due to political instability or ongoing humanitarian crises. We are so grateful for their courage and resilience.



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'And though one might prevail against another, two will withstand one. A threefold cord is not quickly broken.' **ECCLESIASTES 4:12**

## MAY

Prayers for the work of our partner organisations



**"Now I can see well and I can read what's written on the blackboard even if I'm not sitting on the front bench," shared Diabolo. He can play football with his friends, and helps with household chores.**

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WED  
28

God, we thank you for our partners in Zimbabwe supporting girls with disabilities who have been excluded from education to gain literacy, numeracy and livelihood skills to help them increase their confidence and independence.

FRI  
30

Lord, we pray for the staff and volunteers working to combat climate change by retrofitting houses destroyed by heavy rain or landslides, planting nursery beds, building terraces to prevent soil degradation and low fuel cookstoves.

THU  
29

Heavenly Father, God, bless our partners in Rwanda working on livelihood and agricultural activities with people with disabilities and their communities who are affected by the impacts of climate change but least responsible for causing it.

SAT  
31

Almighty God, we lift up the Organisations of People with Disabilities, the volunteer advocacy champions and the individuals and families whose dedication to promoting a juster world for people with disabilities is unstinting.

Prayers provided by Kirsty Smith, CEO, CBM UK



## JUNE

Prayers for CBM Global

SUN  
1

Father, thank you for the work of CBM Global and its mission in fighting to end the cycle of poverty and disability. Grant CBM Global the resources to expand its reach and impact. May its efforts continue to transform lives and build inclusive communities for everyone to enjoy their human rights and achieve their full potential.

MON  
2

Dear Lord, help us see each other with dignity and worth. Guide our actions so that we may work together to build a world where everyone can live with respect and opportunity.

TUE  
3

O Lord, by your mercy hear the cries for daily bread of people who are poor, hungry and neglected all over the world. Inspire works of compassion and mercy among those to whom much has been given.

**Amaka Aladioba is an ophthalmic nurse at ECWA eye hospital, Kano, Nigeria.**



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'God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.'

PSALM 46:5

## JUNE

Prayers for CBM Global

**"The best part of my job is when, most of the time, people have gone blind completely, and after the surgery they regain their vision and they are happy, they say 'thank you, thank you'... they can be able to do things for themselves and live a better life. I feel very fulfilled."**



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WED  
4

Father, we ask for your companionship on every journey for CBM Global staff, partners and volunteers. Protect us and help us arrive at our destination safely.

FRI  
6

Lord, take away the spirit of envy, laziness and all the negative thoughts and emotions that may disrupt us from working together. Lord, plant seeds of hard work, compassion and growth in our workplaces.

THU  
5

Lord God Almighty, we offer you thanks for the chance to work, for the benefits of a working life and for the opportunity to create and add value that improves quality of life by meeting the needs of others, especially those with disabilities.

SAT  
7

Father, bless all CBM Global staff, partners and volunteers with compassion and dedication in transforming lives and building inclusive communities.

Prayers provided by Deborah Solomon, Programme Officer, CBM Nigeria

Back cover: Mafunasi pumps water after cataract surgery – when just days before, she was unable to navigate her home. "Even coming out of my house was like a long journey."



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# Your church can help transform lives

It is wonderful and humbling to know that we, our local partners, and the people we work together to support are held in prayer by church communities across the world, and that so many congregations share our commitment to building an inclusive world for people with disabilities, and come together to raise funds for our vital work.

You can involve your church by sharing this Prayer Diary with other members of your congregation. You can also get in touch or visit our website for sermons, films, and resources that can be used in church services.

If you or your church community are inspired to fundraise to transform lives, we'd love to hear from you - visit [www.cbmun.org.uk/churches](http://www.cbmun.org.uk/churches), or get in touch for information and support by calling us on **0800 567 7000**, or emailing [info@cbmun.org.uk](mailto:info@cbmun.org.uk).

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