

# Building the Kingdom

## Let's Build Together

Therefore encourage one another and  
build each other up. 1 Thessalonians 5:11

## Prayer Points



### Responding to Disasters

Pray that God will comfort all those affected by natural disasters particularly those impacted by the flooding in Kerala, India, and earthquake in Sulawesi, Indonesia. Ask God to draw alongside those who mourn, those who have lost homes and livelihoods. May God provide for all those who respond to help.

Give thanks for the generosity of those who have contributed to the Kerala Floods Emergency Appeal and may God enable Habitat India and Habitat Indonesia to have the resources needed to help in the immediate relief work and then in the rehabilitation and recovery longer term.



### Serving and Learning

Thank God for all those who travelled out this year in support of our long term partner programmes. Give thanks for barriers broken down, for relationships built and all that is shared and learned as volunteers work alongside families and the wider community.

Pray that each volunteer will continue to speak out about the need for safe shelter and the life-changing impact of Habitat's work. Give thanks that many families will spend this Christmas in a new or improved home, give thanks for the support from across Northern Ireland which makes it possible. Ask that God will encourage and inspire more support as we work towards a world where everyone has a decent home.



## Working Together in Ireland

Give thanks that wherever it works Habitat is united in its mission to put God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes, communities and hope. Give thanks for the shared vision and a spirit of partnership which is making it possible to consolidate operations across Ireland.

Pray for wisdom and God's guiding as we plot the way ahead, give thanks for the vision, hard work and support of our staff teams and volunteer Boards. Pray that this reimagining of how we work in our small part of the world will, with God's help, create new opportunities to serve many more people in need of a safe place to live.



## Reaching the Marginalised

Give thanks that many Habitat programmes globally are focused on reaching those most marginalised. Pray especially for the programmes across Africa which reach orphans and in Ethiopia those who are affected by leprosy. Think of those who are marginalised within our society; those who find work difficult, have physical or mental challenges, whose background or life choices have impacted their opportunities.

Thank God that Habitat is able to support many local people through our ReStores in Lisburn, Ballymena and now also in Newry. Pray for Stuart, Bernie and the team of volunteers in Newry as they reach out to the local community and thank God that many local individuals, organisations and companies have committed to partner with this work. Pray for new opportunities for ReStore and support to enable further scale up and impact for other communities.



## The Power of Partnership

Give thanks for the many partnerships which already enable our work. Companies who offer time and talent, gifts in kind and churches whose prayerful support underpins our effort to tackle local challenges. Please pray that the challenges which have created a delay for the Ballymena project will soon be resolved and that working together we can deliver real impact for the community.

Lord we are grateful that the House to Home programme is enabling local people to improve the place they call home and pray that we can find both the resources and the volunteers which will enable the programme to grow.

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