

### PLEASE NOTE:

Rick will be away this week. Please contact **Ron Syme** or **Glennis Mills** for pastoral matters and **Greg Williams** for property matters.



## STUDY HUB

Study Hub will resume tomorrow at 4.15pm  
If you want any information regarding this venture, or can help in any way, see **DAVID** or **KYLIE STROUD**.

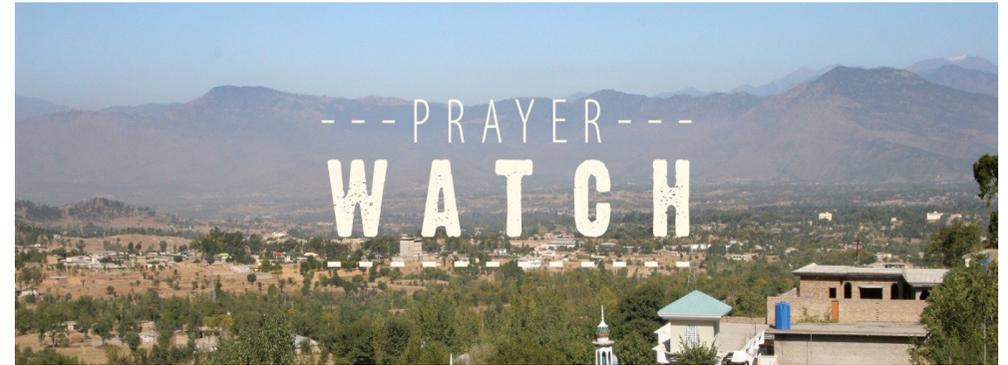


Good news and great joy come in a gift-filled shoebox for kids in poor countries. Operation Christmas Child is often the first step in reaching out to kids, families and communities with help, hope and the Good News of Jesus Christ.

*These boxes are available in the foyer. If you want any more information see **CORAL** or **ANNE**.*

► **THESE BOXES NEED TO BE RETURNED BY 18TH OCTOBER** ◀

*Mrs Beth Davies sends her warmest greetings to the Church family at Wenty. She has many great memories of the time she spent here with her beloved husband Neville. Of course she is still missing him, but is keeping well and still "REJOICING" in God's love and goodness to her.*



*"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." Colossians 3:15*

### Pakistan

Asia Bibi remains in prison five years after she was sentenced to death under Pakistan's blasphemy laws. Asia is now waiting for a trial date to be set on her final appeal against the sentence, before the Supreme Court of Pakistan. Recently we heard an insight into what life is like for Asia in Multan Jail.

ALIVE, who Open Doors partners with in Pakistan told us Asia spends her days in solitary confinement and suffers from internal bleeding and poor health. The prison requires her and other prisoners to read the Quran every day. Prisoners are told that if they memorize a significant portion, their sentence will be reduced. She longs to be reunited with her family.

Extremely hot summer temperatures, combined with poor sanitation, ventilation and lighting, make conditions close to unbearable. In the block Asia is being held, nearly 150 inmates are squeezed into an area built for 30 or 40.

An ALIVE worker told us, "The question on most people's mind is: 'Why does God allow this to happen?' For me, the purpose is clear... she is a living example of the need to come to the Lord in prayer... We have been raising prayer support for Asia for many years and have been encouraging local Christians to take the lead in praying for their sister in prison."

### Pray with us:

- Pray that God would minister to Asia and encourage her in prison.
- Pray for healing in Asia's body as she is unable to receive proper medical care.
- Pray that extremists demanding her execution would not get their way.