

The
Bible Missionary UK

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Future visits

Dec 15-18 - Czech Rep

Dec 15-28 - Tanzania

Jan 9-23 - Cameroon

Jan 14-29 - Uganda

Jan 25-Feb 14 - Cameroon

Link Men changes

Bro Jamie Robson has agreed to take on the role of Linkman for Oman.

Help wanted

CBM is looking for a brother to accompany Bro Jamie Robson on a CBM trip to Oman in March (exact dates not yet confirmed). If you are interested, please contact Bro Peter Hale (west.europe@cbm.org.uk).

CBM is also looking for a Linkman and volunteers for visits to Turkey. If you are interested, please contact Bro Peter Hale (west.europe@cbm.org.uk).

UPDATE ON DAY OF PRAYER FOR HARVEST



Many thanks to ecclesias and individuals who participated in the Day of Prayer for Harvest in November for the South East African region. The severity of the situation is highlighted by the fact that we understand a brother in Malawi has fallen asleep in the Lord because of malnutrition.

At the end of November, the areas in question received some rain. The FAO (Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations) issued the following briefings at the end of November:

Malawi - localised heavy rains were received in parts of the south and centre in November, prompting farmers to commence plantings in those areas, while land preparation is still ongoing in northern districts. Rainfall forecasts for the 2016/17 main summer cropping season (November-June) point to an enhanced chance for above average rainfall conditions, indicating an early positive production outlook for the 2017 crops.

Mozambique - sowing of the 2017 cereal crops is underway in southern and central parts, and planting activities will progress further north as the seasonal rains arrive. Rainfall forecasts for much of the 2016/17 main summer cropping season (October-June) indicate an increased likelihood of average to above-average rainfall; this follows a season that was mainly characterized by severe dry conditions in the south and centre.

How to get on a CBM trip

CBM is always looking for volunteers to help on CBM trips - both brothers and sisters.

If you would like to go on a CBM trip, please go to the CBM website (www.cbm.org.uk), go to the section 'For CBM workers' and press on the link 'CBM Field Worker Application Form'. When completed please send to: Bro Stephen Sykes, 44 Springfield Park, Twyford, Reading, RG10 9JH or email: secretary@cbm.org.uk

If you are interested in a particular country or region, please contact the Linkman or Area Secretary. Contact details are on the CBM website in the Countries section (for Linkmen) and the Contacts sections (for Area Secretaries).

Specific opportunities for volunteering will appear in this newsletter.

Some things you need to consider before volunteering:

- Do you know about the work of the CBM?
- Are you in good health?
- Are you confident to engage in discussions on a wide range of topics either through a one-to-one or in a group?
- Are you aware of the religious beliefs and social cultures you may encounter?

The outlook is a little more positive and we hope this is an answer to our prayers. However, we are only at the start of the planting and growing season, so **please continue to pray for rain and a good harvest for our brothers and sisters**, both now and until harvest in the middle of 2017.

Thanks to the generosity of Brothers and Sisters, we have also been able to send more than £43,000 worth of food aid over the past few months.

Country Profile - Guinea

1. Guinea is a French speaking country in West Africa of thirteen million people and its capital is Conakry.
2. There are currently over 120 brothers and sisters in eight ecclesias – numbers have doubled in 2016 with 70 baptisms and four new lightstands established. This is a remarkable growth area.
3. Many have fled dreadful civil war situations in Liberia and Sierra Leone to get to Guinea - most recent converts are local Guineans. Sisters Tiapka and Kolie, two elderly Muslim widows, now face family opposition. They need our prayers.
4. We have seen God's protective hand at work in that all our family were kept safe from the deadly Ebola virus during 2014 and 2015.
5. There is one visit to the forest and coastal areas of Guinea per year. For further information please contact Bro Stephen Sykes (stephen.sykes47@gmail.com).



CBM Europe Day - 5 November 2016



On 5 November, Linkmen, field workers and other interested brothers and sisters joined together in Coventry, UK for the annual CBM Europe Day. The day was well attended and a range of topics was considered under the theme "Building the Ecclesia". Topics included using the talents of sisters on CBM trips, planning a cost-effective trip, keeping in regular contact, taking time to listen and discussing European prophecies sympathetically.