Inshes East Prayer Topics for 26th March

'I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name--the name you gave me--so that they may be one as we are one.' (John 17:11)

1. **China:** *'Beijing has begun to investigate "rented houses" on a large scale.'* This could be a problem for unregistered house churches meeting in rented apartments/houses. Pray it won't have negative impact on home church meetings & for wisdom as church leaders make decisions re-where to meet.

2. Pray for Joel Sommerville in Madagascar for two weeks to do an eye screening programme w Mercy Ships involving flying via MAF planes to remote locations to select patients for cataract surgery. It is a challenging task and fairly intensive. Remember Abigail & Rowan going to USA to stay with her family while Joel is away & then meeting up with him there.

3. Continue to pray for **Ruth Mahood** now stepping into the role of Leader of Counselling Team.

4. Martins, West Smethwick: Pray for planning & inviting for an Easter craft event for families on Sat 12th April (2-4pm); for local families to come along, especially those known through Messy Tots. Pray that God would open their eyes to the truth and beauty of the Lord Jesus.

5. Pray for Easter presentation Inshes P5 (Thurs); Tiny Talk (Thurs); Inshes Easter Assembly (Fri).

6. Pray for **Lindsay & Chris & family** as Lindsay's Dad's (**Douglas**) funeral takes place Thursday; as well as family of **Alice Woodward** whose funeral also taking place Thursday.

7. CARE: Father, we remember artists who follow long traditions of creating visual, musical and other art forms that interpret stories and themes from Your Word that speak of the truth and beauty of Jesus Christ. Please enliven their skills and imagination. For Your glory. Amen.

Here are some other possibilities when thinking about who to pray for:

1) someone currently working & serving in another country eg Alexander, Anjana & Arnold & Andrew MacLeod; Caroline White; Kathleen Burns; Mayhews; Martins

2) for someone within your family or friendship circle or for a neighbour or work colleague

3) for a leader, locally or nationally having to make difficult & important decisions

4) for someone in another church family that you know- for their encouragement, their witness