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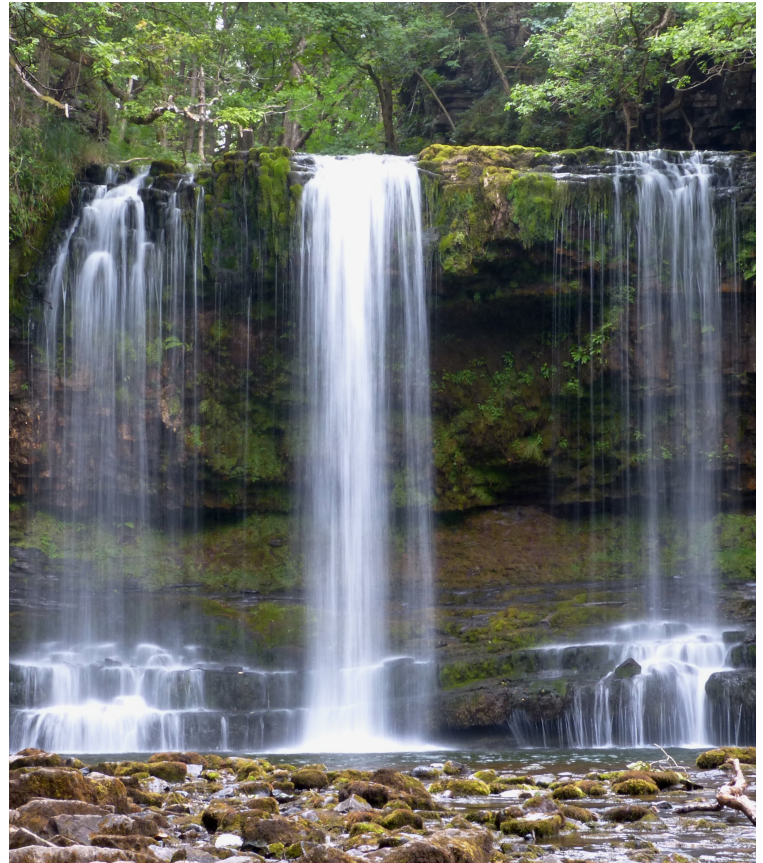
# Prayer Pointers



**May to June 2021**

**"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below...And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."**

*Acts 2:17-21*



In the coming months many of the restrictions that we've had to live with over the past year will, hopefully, finally be lifted. For CIS that will mean a return to being physically present in schools once more, although for the time being virtual and recorded assemblies will still be produced until the doors are finally opened.

In a few weeks we'll be celebrating Pentecost, that point in history fifty days after Jesus had come back from the dead, when the disciples were empowered by the promised Holy Spirit. But before the Day of Pentecost came those followers of Jesus were in a kind of Lockdown themselves. Acts 2 tells us that they were together in one place waiting. Waiting for the Holy

Spirit to come. They didn't know how or even when The Spirit would arrive, however, when He did their lives were transformed. The restrictions on them were lifted, fear was gone and with boldness they went out to tell of the Good News of Jesus to those in Jerusalem, Judea and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8).

As restrictions are lifted in the UK CIS will once more be able to share the Good News of Jesus in person in our schools. Some aspects of our ministry we've had to adapt and change during Lockdown, however, we look forward to all that God has in store for us in the coming days.

Overleaf are some things to thank God for and to pray for.

## Please thank God for...

- ▶ the continued positive response from schools to recorded and virtual assemblies
- ▶ the trustees as they continue to oversee and lead the work of CIS; Chris Jenkins (Chair), Crista Haak, Kevin How (Secretary), Roger Aldridge, Ashley and Chris Croft, Penny Bainbridge and Martin Money (Treasurer)
- ▶ the relationships with schools that have been maintained despite Christopher not being able to be physically present and more actively involved within them this past year
- ▶ the opportunity that Lockdown has given for Christopher to develop new skills.

## Please pray for...

- ▶ Assemblies

**St. Francis College Prep.** 24th May and 14th June (virtual via Zoom); **Grange Academy** 26th May (recorded) and 23rd June (recorded or in person); **Norton St. Nicholas C of E Primary School** 27th May (virtual via Microsoft Teams); **Etonbury Academy** 7th June (recorded or in person); **St. Francis College Senior** 23rd June (recorded)sFurther assemblies, in person, virtual or recorded, will be taken at Fearnhill, Pix Brook Academy, Roecroft Lower School and St. Mary's C of E Academy Stotfold as well but dates have still to be confirmed.

- ▶ Year 6 pupils as they begin to prepare to move to Secondary School in September
- ▶ Year 11 and 13 pupils as they take teacher based assessments instead of exams this year. Pray that the grades they receive would truly reflect what they have learnt and achieved over the past 2 years. Pray too that they may know the next step for them in terms of A Levels, college based courses, university or work
- ▶ the *It's Your Move Books* that will be going out to Year 6 pupils this term. In person presentations will probably not happen again this year so please pray for Christopher as he looks at creating a specific *It's Your Move* assembly for schools
- ▶ Christopher as he spends time in preparation, particularly within the realms of filming and editing material for assemblies

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***At the moment Prayer Meetings are taking place on Zoom on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 10:30am and the 4th Monday of the month at 2pm. If you would like to know more about these meetings then please contact Christopher on the above email address or contact Penny Bainbridge on 07974944175 for more details.***