September

This month we are focusing on;

Being patient with God. Sometimes, it's difficult to be patient. When we bring our concerns to the Lord again and again, we can grow tired of waiting. We begin to feel like our prayers fall on deaf ears. Often our desire is to take control even though we know patience is a fruit of the Spirit. We should remember this often, inviting the Spirit to direct us and empower us once again as we continue to wait on the Lord.

BIBLE FOCUS

Ephesians 4:2 - Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

PRAYER ACTIVITY

Assign each member to each letter of the alphabet and have them create a poster using the letter to match a book of the Bible or something related to the Bible e.g. A is for Amos the 30th book of the Bible. The final project can be donated to a local school or placed in a church nursery or classroom. The individual letters gradually coming together to form an alphabet remind us of how God is slowly paving the way and preparing us, all for the purpose He intended and the bigger picture of our lives.

EVENTS

Ireland – Annual General meeting, launch of new website and online registration.

Zambia – Consultative meeting with Heads of Churches

Zimbabwe - Workshops

PRAYERS

Week 1 - Children and students

Pray for all children and students, as they go back to school. Pray also for the teachers that they may have the patience to overcome any difficulties they may be presented with at the start of the new school year.

Week 2 - Literacy

Pray for literacy across the world, International Literacy Day is observed on Tuesday 8th September.

Week 3 - ICGB 2022

Pray for the preparations of ICGB 2022. Pray that all who are involved are provided with patience, strength, determination and perseverance throughout the planning process. Share words of encouragement with the country that is planning ICGB it can be a post on their social media, or design a card that can be signed by all GB members.

Week 4 - International Day of Peace

The International Day of Peace is the 21st September. Take time to reflect and pray for each Girls' Brigade fellowship that may have political turmoil, civil unrest or conflicts that they may overcome each difficulty with peace.

Prayer

Lord, teach us to be patient – with life, with people, and with ourselves. We sometimes try to hurry things along too much, and we push for answers before the time is right. Teach us to trust Your sense of timing rather than our own and to surrender our will to Your greater and wiser plan. Help us let life unfold slowly, and teach us to savour each experience and learn the lessons behind each story. Amen