Christian CND Prayer Diary -October 2020

Please join Christian CND in praying this month as we intercede for issues here and around the world. We believe God has the power to move in all these situations and that prayer goes hand in hand with our campaigning efforts. There are many things to be thankful for as well as issues we want to bring before God.

Things to thank God for:

- The ratification of the Nuclear Ban Treaty by Malta and Malaysia
- Decisions by legislators in the Philippines and Honduras to ratify the Treaty
- A successful Christian CND AGM at the start of the month
- The outgoing Christian CND Exec who have served the organisation for the past 12 months

Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

You will pray to him, and he will hear you, and you will fulfill your vows. Job 22:27 Malta and Malaysia completed ratification of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in September, becoming the 45th and 46th states to do so. Just four more are needed for it to enter into force. Elsewhere, legislators in the Philippines and Honduras have agreed to the ratification of the Treaty, which will hopefully take place in the coming weeks. It is hoped that more states will ratify the Treaty in the coming weeks and that the entry into force could be in early 2021.

Please pray with us

- Thank God for Malta and Malaysia ratifying the Treaty
- Thank God for decisions in Honduras and the Phillippines to join the Treaty
- Thank God for those working behind the scenes in other states ahead of joining
- Pray that the Treaty would enter into force as quickly as possible
- Pray that the nuclear-armed states would engage with the Treaty

Week of Prayer for World Peace

And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him. 1 John 5:15

Every year in October Christians around the world come together for a week of prayer for world peace. This year's week is 11-18 October with a series of events and prayer gatherings taking place. Despite the media focus on the Covid-19 pandemic there are still conflicts raging around the world, including in the disputed region of Nagorno-Karabakh.

Please pray with us

- Thank God for the opportunity to come together and seek peace with other Christians
- Pray for conflicts on going around the world and for the civilians often caught in the middle
- Pray that world leaders would have the courage to seek cooperation, peace and friendship
- Pray for the United Nations and it's part in bringing people together

Christian CND AGM and new Exec

For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them. Matthew 18:20

The Christian CND AGM took place on October 3 with 40 people joining us on Zoom to hear the latest developments in our campaigning. We also elected a new Executive Committee for the coming year, which saw Bridget Tiller, Alexandria Adamson and Sue Bruno join us, while we sadly say goodbye to Martin Birdseye and Kevin Gascoigne.

Please pray with us

- Thank God for a successful AGM and such an encouraging time together
- Thank God for the new Executive Committee and pray for their work in the next vear
- Thank God for Martin Birdseye and Kelvin Gascoigne and their service to Christian CND
- Pray that the ideas discussed during the AGM would come to fruition and see us continue to make progress in 2021

UN Disarmament Week

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

October also sees the annual observance of Disarmament Week, organised by the United Nations. The week starts on the anniversary of the founding of the United Nations and recalls the outcome of a Special Assembly that called for the abandonment of force and security through disarmament. That vision is one Christian CND, and many other groups, shares to this day.

Please pray with us

- Thank God for the work of the UN and the commitment of their staff around the world
- Pray that there would be progress on disarmament in the weeks and month to come
- Pray that the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference in 2021 would see a breakthrough in nuclear disarmament

Please keep the Christian CND staff team and Exec in your prayers.