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Dear Pray-ers,

Thanks for praying for all that needed to be done before I went away. **Booyataa** was at the printers before I left, although one lot of checking came in too late. Nine people turned up for the folding group in the Baptist church and seven were able to stay until after 1pm so we were able to do it in the one session. The copies are now in the hands of the Sending Units. Please pray they will enjoy their part and that all copies will be read and that Fulas will want to know more as a result of reading and so be open to what is shared with them by the next believer God puts them in touch with. I was also able to get the *Partners in Prayer for Fulas* letter off only a couple of days late.

Please continue to pray for better organisation so that all the dead-lines for the different things I'm involved in won't arrive at once. I have felt less stressed since I assigned each task to a definite slot. Although at the time of writing I haven't managed to accomplish things in the time allotted I have postponed a couple of things. The tax form is on the back burner because I'm waiting to hear back from them and trusting I won't end up with a fine for late payment of the £0 I owe them!!

The time **Mum** and I spent with other family members in the **Lake District** was very enjoyable. Liz catered herself for over 100! She certainly has gifts in areas of my greatest weakness! Setting up the self-management of the flats continues to be a challenge. I'm so grateful for **Ed**, in **France** who is steering it. We still haven't managed to open the bank account and it seems we maybe don't have everything in order re fire risk. The hoops are endless! The slightly strained relationship I mentioned last time seems to be OK. PTL.

Re!ugee families:

Please keep praying that the Holy Spirit will convict Jam!la of the truth and give us wisdom with the studies on Fridays at 2pm. I have been asked to invite the whole family to a fireworks party 10 November. (I'm so glad it's fireworks and not bonfire because the last time I tried to explain Bonfire Night to a foreigner the response was something like, "So you celebrate a terrorist attack by burning an effigy ...") Perhaps we are barbaric after all!!

I had a chat with **Ghalia & Mo!ammed** when they were at the worship and food session in the town on Saturday. That happens every week and they go regularly because the ten-year-old really likes the music. Pray for good conversations with them as their English improves.

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I was recently encouraged to realise that with the same over-riding goal as Paul, workers in **West Africa** are showing the love of Christ to Fulani in many ways as you can see from these few quotations:

“A lovely man visited recently. From being a well-known witch doctor, almost dying because of an infection in his jaw, to giving his life to Christ and being healed, he is a walking miracle. Now he, his wives, children and grandchildren are all walking with the Lord and according to his pastor they are the strongest believers in his church.

“A young beggar became so ill that he bought his burial cloth. The wife of a leader of the local religion saw him and thought that maybe Jesus' people could help him. He was healed and saved, but was reluctant to give up his begging tin, because, as he said: “*I live in that tin.*” Believers helped him start selling keyrings, coffee, and sugar, and he discovered that he earns more from that than with his tin. So recently he took a hammer to his tin, declaring, “I no longer live in you. I live in Jesus!” Afterwards, the Fulani believers took up an offering to help support him. Please pray for him as he finds his way forward with Christ.

“I was in our old village overseeing the peanut harvest in the field which we planted to keep up the contact there. I enjoyed catching up with the family.

“A national believer was recently helped financially to run a *training in entrepreneurship* at his youth

centre. The local mayor's office also contributed financially. At the end of the training, each participant had to present their project. The provincial director helped each participant put together a project in view of raising funds, and will follow them up. 30 of the 36 participants passed. This was a worthwhile investment in the lives of young people, offering a solution to the unemployment that pushes young people into delinquency and violent extremism and other vices. And of course it also brought young people into contact with the youth centre and its Christ-centred vision for their transformation.

"It was great to meet with the prison team recently. They are doing well; working well together. There are six new converts and growth in the believers. Over ten of our guys have been released. The new prison director is a Mu\$lim but really supportive and wants to know why we haven't built the chapel yet. Pray for finance for it. Praise God that a church here has offered us a ton of cement to help.

"Before going on home-leave we asked **K.**, the national agricultural trainer here in the town, to continue the Bible studies with our young friends. We had our doubts that those interested would commit to these meetings but to our surprise we heard that they are faithfully meeting each week. We pray that they will continue this good habit and be encouraged to follow Christ. It is a dream come true to see this first cell functioning without our support and the believers finding the encouragement they need.

Please pray for all of these people.

Dates

18 (aft) October	to friend Ann's near Wales
21–24 October	both at <i>WEC UK</i> annual conference
23 October (morn)	giving tribute to 'promoted' colleague
24 (eve)–27 (noon) October	Bedworth church visit
25 October (aft)	speaking at "Meeting Point"
27 (eve) to 30 (morn) October	Handforth church visit
28 October	speaking at parish breakfast
29 October	interviews in the morning services
30 October	mostly free day with sister Anne
31 October	travel home
6 November	sharing at Honiton prayer meeting
20 November	Quiet Day

Thank you again for praying for me and others working amongst the Fula people.

God bless you. Love, *Jane*