

ROMANS ONE ELEVEN TRUST (R1:11)

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Update October 2017 - Friends of R1:11

Dear friends,

Thank you for your prayers for the trustees as we met for our regular meeting last month. It was lovely to have a full contingent of 9 people there in Hemel Hempstead (6 trustees plus 3 partners) and we had a good meeting. Please concentrate your prayers this month on issues arising from that meeting:

Ordinands – As one of our trustees, Adam Woodhouse, begins his training for URC ministry at Westminster College Cambridge this month, please pray that the leaflet we are preparing for inclusion in the information pack sent by GEAR to all new ordinands will bear fruit. There are opportunities for students to do an overseas placement through Romans 1:11, as well as to become involved in our work of mutual encouragement.

Fundraising – We have applied for a grant from the Vision2020 fund of the URC, in order to help with funding the work of theological education in which we are engaged in Uganda. Other grant requests are in the pipeline. Please pray for the finalising and outcome of these requests.

Mutually Encouraged – The forthcoming issue of our newsletter is currently being produced and will be sent out this month. There are updates about the recent trip to Uganda, as well as information about Romans 1:11's place in young people being called to ministry and teaching. Please pray that these articles will challenge and inspire as well as informing the people that read them.

Administrator – In addition there is an advertisement indicating that Chris Vivian wishes to retire as the Romans 1:11 administrator by Spring 2019 at the latest. We are beginning the process of finding a replacement, hopefully someone who can work alongside Chris in this key role before taking it over fully. Please pray that the right person will come forward and be appointed.

Spiritual Life Centres – A further round of training has already begun at our Spiritual Life Centre in Nyamiyaga (Mbarara), for which we praise God. The course at Karokajenga (Kyenjojo) is going to move to Kakumiro where there are more pastors nearby who need training. Please pray for Julius, Moses and Bernard as they make preparations for this to begin in November. We have not yet approved another round of training at Wanyange (Jinja), as there are some personal issues between the leaders there. Please pray that with God's help these can be resolved fully, not just papered over.

FEEL Uganda internship programme – Samuel has done some excellent work in preparing the Kibaale-Ssanje SLC for use by interns. One person has already expressed interest in this opportunity so please pray that the final details can be put in place quickly, in order that advertising can begin in earnest.

2018 visits – Trustees have identified two pastors whom we would like to invite to the UK in late spring/early summer 2018. There will then be a trip to Uganda in July/ August 2018. Please pray about planning for these visits and be in touch if you are interested in receiving a Ugandan visitor or joining the team travelling to Uganda.

Website – Since the trustees meeting the Luganda version of our training course has been uploaded to our website. Please pray for good use of this facility and that the English version can also be uploaded soon.

God bless.