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Welcome

What an honour it is to now be introducing this magazine as Executive Director. It has been a joy and privilege to work with Danny for the 10 years I have been with International Needs so far, I step into this role with excitement and determination. Thank you for the prayers and encouragement I have received so far.

Danny Morris served faithfully as Executive Director of IN UK for 12 years, leading us into amazing growth and exciting new ministries. He has recently felt called into local ministry in Croydon and is now serving as Assistant Minister at Purley Baptist Church. Danny stepped down from his role at IN UK at the end of September 2026.

This is an important year. **International Needs UK turns 50!** That is 50 years of supporting the ministries of local leaders in countries around the world. 50 years of building relationships with faithful supporters here in the UK. 50 years of fervently following God's call to serve one another.

To celebrate our birthday, we are running our **50/50/50 campaign.** This is our biggest match funding campaign to date. We have £50,000 worth of match funding available for any donation made to our water projects in Uganda from now until the end of the year. That is 50 years of impact, 50,000 people now supported by IN UK each year, and £50,000 match funding available. You can donate using any method and can learn more about this campaign in the pages of this magazine. How amazing it would be to raise a total of £100,000 for WASH Uganda this year.

We love sharing the stories of our projects with you. We are grateful for the families who have generously shared their stories with us so that we can see the impact of God's work in their lives. Thank you for being a part of this. Thank you for your generosity. **From Uganda, to Nepal, to Sri Lanka,** we hope you enjoy these updates.

> ***Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.***
>
> – 1 Thessalonians 5:11



(Above) The IN UK team, 2026!



Written by Ali Mbugua Executive Director, IN UK

THIS IS WITH REAL WORK PEOPLE



(Pictured) Danny Morris with his wife Ros in Egypt, 2026.

I mentioned in our last communication that, as my time with IN ends, I have been reflecting on what this journey has really been about. This journey hasn't been defined by learning to fundraise more creatively, doubling income, growing donors, perfecting project design and monitoring. At heart, IN is intensely relational; it's about people, working with real people, knowing people and responding to people. Our mission isn't about materials or resources, although they matter; it's fundamentally about **learning what it means to be human.** And, as it so happens, the work that IN continues to do has become more urgent and relevant than ever.

At our September Congress, I thanked and said goodbye to international partners who shaped me as I learned from them and saw how they **brought Jesus, through words and actions, into their communities.** As I reflect, I remember being with Jocelyn, our Kenyan Director; I knew Jocelyn was fearless in holding pastors accountable for funds received and relentless in pursuing the growth of IN **Kenya** as an IN partner. Yet, she could observe in a crowd a young 12-year-old lad who needed help, on the verge of choosing a life he shouldn't be living, and she looked on him as a son, deciding there and then to support him.

In **Egypt,** I experienced Nathan and Sawsan care deeply for children, men, and women of low means and marginalised by poverty and status, responding with care, aid, food, and assistance to help them build a better life.

In **Sri Lanka,** my friend Naren's passion for helping poor farmers flourish with outside support was evident as he spoke with them about how they contend with and overcome the challenges of growing food. These issues include fresh water supply, irrigation, harvesting methods, and protecting food from elephants that crush houses and crops as they rampage through open land.

In **Nepal,** after the dreadful 2015 earthquake, I met Pastor Rokka and his wife, Sunita, as they stood with their own village, replenishing livestock and farming, and constructing new temporary shelters, farm buildings and their own houses, to maintain life in the Himalayas and, with much courage, to resurrect the community after the earthquake's devastation. This is real work with real people, not abstract poverty relief projects, but seeing, listening, supporting and standing alongside.

This is what makes our small NGO work stand in stark contrast to life. As Pope Leo puts it:

life "is no longer understood as a gift, but as a commodity. It is no longer viewed as a summons to care and responsibility, but as a product to be exploited".

Today and tomorrow, relationship, embodied presence, compassion and responsibility towards one another are being eroded and our virtual existence challenges what we think about human identity; and where the sheer pace of technology seems to outrun our ability to respond, we feel anxious and unstable. This isolates us and makes us suspicious of one another. Yet to be human counters this; it means **stepping out of our virtual space,** reaching out with our bodies, and touching another life with help, kindness, and love.

Why is mission about learning what it means to be human? Well, we see the supreme example of our God, who, in Jesus Christ, was "made in human likeness". Jesus chose to enter our humanity; he drew near, he saw, served and shared humanity's burdens, and the outworking of this for all who bear his name is to **"value others above ourselves, not looking to your own interests but to the interests of the others"** (Phil 2:3–4, 7).

I leave with deep gratitude for the people I have met, the partners who have taught me, and the team and board of IN UK who are so hard-working and creative. I am reminded that beneath all the strategies, projects, and resources, Christian mission is about people, learning to see them, love them, and serve them as Christ did. Thank you for your generosity and heartfelt best wishes as I move on, and to Ali as she takes over. It's been an honour and privilege to serve at International Needs.



Written by Danny Morris, Former IN UK Executive Director







Executive Directors from around the IN Network gathered together in Egypt for Congress this year

As International Needs UK celebrates 50 years, our General Secretary, Edmond Vanderpuye, reflects on what it means to be part of a locally led, international network...

50 YEARS TOGETHER

There are many ways to measure 50 years. You can count the projects, the countries reached, the people supported, or the challenges overcome. But for me, one of the most important things we can celebrate is something much harder to measure: relationships.

International Needs has always been more than a collection of organisations working in different countries. We are a network of people who work together, learn from one another, and serve communities in ways that respect their knowledge, leadership and dignity.

Our **locally led approach** is central to our growth. The people closest to the community are often best placed to understand its challenges and see what needs to change. Our partners are not simply receiving support. They are leading work in their own communities, building relationships with local authorities, community leaders and others who can help bring lasting change.

For me, this is what locally led work looks like. It means we are not simply dependent on one another. We are **interdependent.** We each bring something to the table, and together we can achieve things that would be difficult to achieve alone.

We have seen this over many years in Ghana. International Needs supported an extensive and persistent campaign against the Trokosi practice. Trokosi is a traditional practice in which girls, some as young as six, are sent to shrines and forced into servitude. IN Ghana worked with state institutions until, in 1996, Trokosi was outlawed and made a punishable crime. Our work did not stop there. IN Ghana has continued working to change mindsets, contributing to the liberation of more than 2,800 women from forced servitude.

Community ownership looks like this. It is not simply delivering a project and moving on. It is supporting people to lead change, build acceptance within their communities, and create solutions that can continue beyond the life of a particular project.

We have seen the same principle in many places. In Uganda, work on water, sanitation and hygiene in Buikwe District brought together local leadership and communities to respond to a serious need. In Burkina Faso, support from IN UK helped make possible a medical centre and later a maternity unit. In Egypt, IN UK began supporting work among the Christian minorities and young people, responding to local needs and helping young people build a different future.

Behind every one of these stories are people. People who chose to serve. People who stepped forward to lead. People who opened doors, built relationships and kept going when change was not immediate.

That is perhaps what 50 years means to me. It is a reminder of what can happen when people come together and work towards something bigger than themselves.

Our faith is important to us, but we also know that people come from different backgrounds. The values it inspires in us are lived out through the way we serve and relate to others.

After 50 years, we have experience. We have learned from successes and failures. We have built relationships that have lasted through changing times. But perhaps the greatest reason to celebrate is that we are still moving forward together. We are stronger together. And when people are given the space, trust and support to lead change themselves, the impact can go far beyond any single project or organisation.



Blessings!

Written by Edmond Vanderpuye PhD, General Secretary, International Needs Network

WHAT A WATER SRI LANKA



Written by Naren Dharmanandan, Executive Director, IN Sri Lanka

When I first joined International Needs Sri Lanka and began engaging with communities, one thing surprised me immediately; villages surrounded by fresh water sources still lacked access to clean, reliable water.

Through community engagement, we recognised that each community's needs were distinct. Rather than applying a single solution, we worked alongside community members and local authorities to develop solutions for each community.

In Mannar, we piloted household rainwater harvesting systems, improving access to clean drinking water for 10 families. In Kadurugodagama and Kanchooramoddai the construction of 19 tube wells **improved water access for 147 families** for domestic and agricultural use. In Fifth Mile Post, 45 families received claypot water filters to make unsafe water safer for consumption. In Nochchikulam and Mullaitivu, the construction of reverse osmosis plants addressed high calcium levels, providing **clean drinking water to nearly 100 families.** Addressing each specific need has proven to be the most impactful approach.

In Monaragala, Vasanthi's husband and son developed kidney disease after years of drinking unsafe water from an open dug well. This forced the family to purchase water, adding to their financial burden. Since receiving a claypot water filter, both have experienced **significant health improvements.**



In Westhall, nursery teacher Gyanamalar watched families struggle with limited groundwater access. A new community water tank now provides an uninterrupted supply for the whole village. Sakunthala's village in Nochchikulam once relied on just two tube wells, forcing families, especially children, to walk long distances or queue for hours, to collect water. A new reverse osmosis plant in the village now provides 44 families with easy access to clean drinking water.

Despite this progress, the need remains urgent across Sri Lanka. By expanding the rainwater harvesting system, investing in reverse osmosis plants, tube and agricultural wells, IN LK hopes to reach more communities and transform more lives.



DIFFERENCE MAKES UGANDA



Written by Maika Scales, Programme Support Manager, IN UK



This September, I visited the WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) team in Buikwe District, Uganda. The team proudly showed (and taught) me the different aspects of a WASH programme. As a Programme Support Manager, I often get to know programmes through reports, numbers, activities and the scale of their impact, but getting to meet the individuals behind it all reminds me not only of the injustices that exist today, but also of each person's story, their strength and resilience.

Water is not something I pay much attention to, it is always there when I need it, and completely safe. But as we walked through one community, down into a valley, we came across what I initially thought was a dirty pond, but to the community was their water source – an unprotected spring.

The team explained that around **900 households walk,** some up to several kilometres, to collect their water from this source. They plan to rehabilitate and restore it within the WASH 3 programme. While they were explaining, an elderly lady and a young girl came with 3 jerry cans. We exchanged pleasantries and then they proceeded to bend down into the unprotected spring and fill each jerry can. The elderly lady put one on her head (approximately 10kg in weight), and the young girl carried the other 2 and walked back up the valley. I tried to carry one of the jerry cans myself, but it was far too heavy.

Later that day, we went to a spring that had been restored and protected through the programme, and you could hear the **gush of running water** even before you reached it. It was clean, and plentiful! A group of children came from the nearby community to fill up their jerry cans. They sang, laughed and collected their water with clear joy.

The difference between the two scenes was stark; for one, their water was a source of health and provision while for the other, their water was a source of hardship and scarcity.

Clean water isn't a given, and many **still lack access to it;** this is the reality the WASH programme in Uganda is seeking to change.

A HEALTHY SIDE EFFECT

Alongside a group from church, I travelled to Bulyaasi village, Uganda, to see the impact of the church's funding on a local water project.

Each village is managed by a water committee made up of trusted villagers. The Bulyaasi committee took us to look at two wells, one of which was being maintained by the engineers. An essential aspect of the project is training the village engineers; they explained how the pump worked and proudly showed us how they maintain it and the surrounding runoff area. Also, villagers make weekly contributions to the water fund, which is recorded in an account book. They can deposit additional sums, so the project acts as a savings scheme, in some cases for a celebration, or to start a business.

In addition to the empowering effect of fresh water close to home, the elder explained two other major benefits for the village. Firstly, the loan scheme allows many individuals to start small businesses. One lady took me to see the cow she had bought. The calf alongside was her third. She sells most of the milk and the calves and grows the fodder she needs on her land. **"I can now afford to send my children to school,"** she told me. Secondly, the weekly committee meetings bring the villagers closer together.



The church members came away in good spirits, realising just how amazingly effective their giving had been.

Written by Tony Tyrrell, Chair of Trustees





Dr Gerald Naluwairo

Since 1 January 2026, **Dr Gerald Naluwairo** has served as Executive Director of International Needs Uganda. Raised in Uganda, Gerald came to faith during secondary school and remains actively involved in ministry as a youth pastor in his local church.

With a background in medicine, public health, and humanitarian work with refugees - Gerald has had the privilege of serving vulnerable communities in a variety of contexts. He understands firsthand the life-changing impact of sponsorship. Supported through his education by family members and later through a government scholarship, he knows the difference that investing in a young person's future can make.

He was drawn to International Needs because of its holistic approach, rooted in both practical support and Christian discipleship. Gerald believes that true transformation encompasses every aspect of a person's life: not only their physical, mental and economic wellbeing, but their spiritual wellbeing too.

THE JOURNEY TO SAFE WATER CONTINUES

Access to safe water has been a challenge for many communities in Buikwe District for a long time. This was one of the main reasons International Needs Uganda (IN UG) made WASH a priority in the communities where we work. When we started these interventions, access to safe water in Buikwe District stood at about **68.4%**, while in Najja Sub-County it was around **67%**. This was below the national rural target of 79% at the time. Sanitation and hygiene were also a concern. Latrine coverage was about 67.5%, while handwashing with soap at critical times was reported at only 26.9%.

Behind these figures were real challenges faced by families every day. In some communities, people depended on unsafe water sources, including Lake Victoria. Apart from the risk of water-related diseases, the time spent collecting water affected other important activities such as attending school, caring for families and earning a living.

Through our WASH programme, IN UG has been working with communities to improve access to safe water, particularly through the drilling and installation of boreholes. We have also worked with communities on sanitation, hygiene and the proper management of the water facilities.

We are encouraged by the changes we are seeing in communities such as Kikwanya and Bbanga. Families now have safer water closer to where they live. They report fewer illnesses associated with unsafe water and reduced spending on treatment and visits to health facilities. Children also have more time for school, while parents can spend more time on their families and livelihoods. An important part of our approach has been to involve the communities themselves. **Water User Committees** are supported to take responsibility for the facilities, mobilise local contributions for repairs and maintenance, and ensure that the water sources continue serving their communities. However, there is still much more to be done.



Many communities, especially fishing villages and landing sites along Lake Victoria, still struggle to access safe water. Some existing water points are no longer functioning, while environmental degradation and limited resources for maintenance continue to affect water access.

Looking ahead, our desire is to reach more underserved communities, strengthen Water User Committees, protect water sources and, where appropriate, develop piped-water systems that can serve larger and more densely populated communities. With continued support from our partners, we believe many more families in Buikwe can have something every family should be able to depend on: **safe water close to home.**



Written by Dr Gerald Naluwairo, Executive Director, IN Uganda

DOUBLE YOUR GIFT!

EMPOWERING 9 VILLAGES TO GET CLEAN WATER IN UGANDA

As we celebrate our 50th birthday, and our impact of now reaching 50,000 people annually, we are delighted to be able to offer up to £50,000 worth of match funding. **Every £1 donated between now and the end of the year, to our water projects in Uganda, will be DOUBLED.**

We would love to celebrate our birthday by raising a total of £100,000. These funds would help us complete our current work with 9 villages over the next two years. **Please donate generously to make this possible.**



50
years of impact

50,000
people now supported each year by IN UK

£50,000
match funding available*

**until the end of 2026*

- **Tried and tested approach**
- **Community at the heart of this change**
- **Holistic support**

The Wankwale Village Water User Committee Chairman, Stephen (pictured second from right), says "If a borehole is made, it is our responsibility to collect money for future repairs of the borehole. It will remain as our borehole, serving us safe and clean water. **This organisation reaches the ground and sees the people.** They are really good people blessed by God."

Dr Gerald Naluwairo, Executive Director of IN Uganda, says, "My **wow moment** of this project was the day clean water first reached Wankwale village. Families there had never tasted or drank clean water from a borehole. **They collected dirty water from a swamp in the valley.** That moment when water started flowing was beautiful, seeing the faces of the community members as they were **beaming with joy and excitement.**

Think of the child who has to collect water before school, who then runs to school on an empty stomach. **Think of the elderly lady** who relies on the goodwill of others to collect water for her. **Think of the mother** working hard to care for her family, alongside spending hours collecting water."

TO DONATE

SCAN ME

£50
provides two people with clean water

£500
equips one mechanic to maintain a water pump

£5,000
can provide a school with a block of toilets and rainwater harvesting system

MATCH FUNDING

We are running this match funding campaign ourselves this year (rather than through The Big Give), you can therefore donate using any method - on our website, phone, cheque, bank transfer, etc.

HELLO FROM OUR **9 WASH** VILLAGES

KIKWANYA



KINONI



WANKWALE



MPOGO



BUKONERO



MONDE



KIKOKO



BUSIRI



BUFUMBE



UGANDA

Kinoni

Kikwanya

Wankwale

Mpogo

Bukonero

Monde

Kikoko

LAKE VICTORIA

Busiri

Bufumbe

Oli otya!
(Luganda for "How are you?")
Scan the QR codes to meet the Water User Committees who are championing change for their villages.

MATCH FUNDING

ST OPHEL MEDICAL CENTRE:

Changing Lives Through Better Care and Prevention

Every day at St Ophel Medical Centre, we witness the difference that timely healthcare can make. Whether it is a mother safely welcoming her child into the world or a woman accessing life-saving screening, quality healthcare has the power to transform lives.

This year has been particularly significant for our centre. In July, we received a new ultrasound scanner that is already improving maternal healthcare services. In October, we held our Pink October campaign, raising awareness about breast and cervical cancer and encouraging women to take charge of their health.

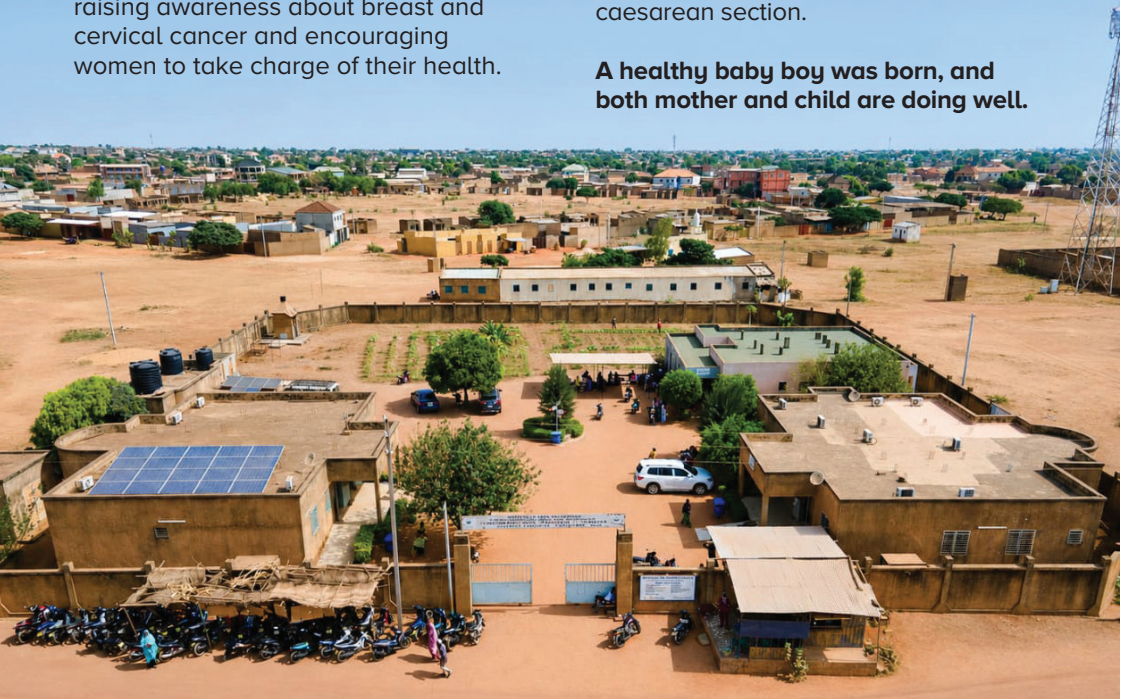
A New Ultrasound Scanner Bringing Safer Pregnancies

The arrival of our new ultrasound scanner has been a big step forward for the St Ophel Medical Centre and for the families we serve.

For many pregnant women, an ultrasound scan provides reassurance and essential information about their baby's development. Thanks to this new equipment, our healthcare team can perform more accurate examinations, identify potential complications earlier and ensure mothers receive the care they need at the right time.

One story that illustrates this impact is that of Djeneba, who attended Ophel Medical Centre for her routine antenatal care. During an ultrasound examination, the scan revealed that her baby was unusually large, creating a risk for a natural delivery. Because this was identified early, she was referred to a hospital to discuss the option of a caesarean section.

A healthy baby boy was born, and both mother and child are doing well.



For Djeneba and her family, this scan provided vital information that helped prevent a potentially dangerous delivery and ensured a safe outcome. Stories like hers remind us that access to quality diagnostic equipment is an essential part of protecting lives.

Today, more women can access these services close to home, reducing delays, avoiding unnecessary travel and strengthening confidence in local healthcare.



Pink October
Awareness That Saves Lives

Thank you to everyone who joined our Pink October Zoom event. Your interest, prayers and support help make this work possible.

Every October, St Ophel Medical Centre brings together women, families and community leaders to promote awareness of breast and cervical cancer.

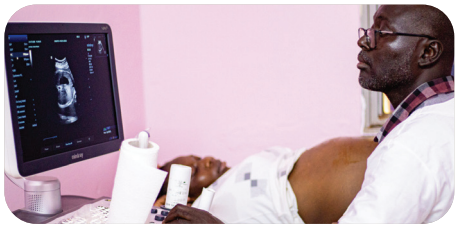
Many women, especially those living in vulnerable circumstances, have limited access to information about cancer prevention and screening. Through health education sessions, outreach activities and consultations, Pink October creates opportunities for women to learn about the signs and symptoms of cancer and the importance of early detection.

One woman's experience highlights why this work matters.

After attending a Pink October awareness activity, she decided to visit the medical centre for a screening consultation. During the examination, healthcare providers discovered a small lump in her left breast. Although she had noticed a change, she had not realised it could be serious. Because the lump was identified early, she was referred for further investigations and received prompt medical care. Early detection gave her the best possible chance of successful treatment and a positive outcome. Awareness leads to action, action leads to diagnosis and diagnosis can save lives!

Building a Healthier Future

At Ophel Medical Centre, we are proud of the progress being made in Burkina Faso through improved healthcare services and community engagement. The new ultrasound scanner is helping mothers experience safer pregnancies and deliveries. Pink October continues to empower women with knowledge, confidence and access to screening services that can protect their future.



Behind every consultation, every scan and every awareness session is a person, a family and a story. These stories inspire us to continue investing in quality healthcare and prevention so that more women can live healthier and more hopeful lives.



Written by Tabita Kone, Project Coordinator, IN Burkina Faso

SERVING TOGETHER

For many years, I have done my fair share of one-off feel-good activities in support of good causes within the church and the community, but I had never experienced volunteering formally until my connection with IN UK.

What drew me to IN UK was their Christian mission, the genuine efforts to impact the world globally, and the many accomplishments over the years. This is beyond a philanthropic movement; it is an organisation's dedication to the improvement of people's lives. More than a wall-mounted vision-mission statement is the drive of the IN UK team to see this mission truly thrive, impact, and transform. That became my resolve: to be a part of this!

With a background in business operations and consulting, and a data analytics programme at the time, I was on the lookout for where I could lend my expertise for a few hours per week. At my first meeting, I saw an opportunity to contribute the way I knew how: what systems needed improvement, and how can we seamlessly repeat these successes within a shorter timeframe?

What I found at IN UK was a strong, bonded team already rich at heart, held together by shared faith and purpose, not just tasks and deadlines. A team that names their growth areas out loud, with a hundred per cent commitment to change. This made it easy to explore each individual's unique strengths for better performance. The families being empowered in the communities International Needs serves benefit the most because our team functions in unity. Although many parts, we are one body.

Finally, I want to invite anyone with a skill set, a few hours to spare, and a heart for service to reach out and participate in this mission.

I have grown in my role since I began, prioritising timely and crucial team demands as there is so much to do, systems to build, and families waiting for their much-needed change. Our team provides hands-on operational support from different geographical locations to strengthen and drive our vision forward.

If you're reading this and feel you could use your skills to support the work of International Needs UK, **we'd love to hear from you!** Get in touch with us at **inuk@ineeds.org.uk.**



Rest assured that your part will contribute to a larger whole!

Written by Wuraola Melikam, Volunteer, IN UK



LEADING *WITH* PRAYER

One of the highlights of my day is realising that it's 10am, and it's time for the staff prayer meeting. It's a chance to catch up and encourage one another as we share what the day ahead holds. But then we open that month's Prayer Diary, and everything becomes still. For that moment the busyness for the day ahead falls away.

Some of the prayers are specific requests from our global partners. Other team members chip in with things in their week that require prayer, a meeting, an application or something a partner shared in conversation. Around 15 minutes later and we feel rooted in what we're doing, why we're doing it, and crucially, how.

Once a month, we have the privilege of joining our colleagues from around the world in our Global Call to Prayer. We are reminded that we are part of something much bigger than our own team, or the projects we know best. Different accents, languages and contexts come together in one shared act of dependence on God.

We, as International Needs, are working to solve material needs in Jesus' name. We're doing all of this out of love, that was first shown to us and that we want to share with others. All that we do is empowered by God and so we bring Him our projects and partners in prayer.

In 2026 we've seen real answers to prayer. While I was at the **Keswick Convention** *(pictured above)* in July, I'd been praying in the morning that God would bring someone to our stand who was passionate about our work. Later that evening, I met a man who had never heard of International Needs before, but who felt convicted to support us on a monthly basis from then on.

Prayer keeps us from thinking that change begins and ends with our plans. It reminds us that the work belongs to Him. **Email me at grace@ineeds.org.uk** to sign up for our prayer diary today!



Written by Grace King, Partnerships Manager



STREET YOUTH MINISTRY IN KENYA

Written by Grace King, Partnerships Manager

Pinto's childhood was marked by tragedy. He lost both of his parents at the age of 10, and three years later, the guardian caring for him also passed away.

With nowhere else to go, Pinto moved to Nairobi to live with his older brother. Surrounded by poverty and hardship, he became vulnerable to negative influences and was eventually drawn into street life and crime.

Turning Point

Pinto's turning point came when he met Pastor Joshua, a community leader who saw beyond his circumstances. Rather than ignoring him, Pastor Joshua took time to listen, encourage and support him.

Recognising that Pinto needed more than emotional support, Pastor Joshua connected him with Grace Empowerment Organization (GEO), where he joined the Half-Way House rehabilitation programme.

Learning to Rebuild

When Pinto arrived at the Half-Way House, he carried years of pain, rejection, and trauma. He struggled to trust others and often kept to himself.

Through counselling, mentorship, and a safe environment, he slowly began to heal. He learned basic life skills, developed healthy routines, and discovered the value of responsibility and self-respect.

One unexpected passion stood out: cooking! What began as helping prepare meals quickly became something he genuinely loved. Cooking gave him a sense of purpose, confidence, and belonging.

Growing in Confidence

As time went on, Pinto became more disciplined and self-assured. Through life-skills training, mentorship, and personal reflection, **he learned to see himself differently, not as a victim of his past, but as a young man with potential and a future.**

He also developed interests in spoken word poetry and public speaking, finding healthy ways to express his experiences and inspire others.

Choosing a New Future

Initially, Pinto dreamed of becoming a computer engineer. However, because his education had been interrupted at an early age, he did not meet the entry requirements for that career path. Although disappointed, he took time to reflect and realised his true passion was in the kitchen.

With support from Pastor Joshua and his team, Pinto enrolled in a Certificate Course in Food Production and Service. Despite the challenges of returning to education after years away from school, he has shown an extraordinary amount of determination, resilience, and a strong desire to learn.

Looking Ahead

Today, Pinto dreams of building a successful career in the hospitality industry and progressing to diploma-level studies in the future. More importantly, he hopes his story will encourage other young people facing hardship. Having experienced loss, street life, rejection, and hopelessness, he wants others to know that their past does not have to define their future.

Pinto's story is a powerful reminder that when vulnerable young people are given care, guidance, and opportunity, transformation is possible. Through the support of Pastor Joshua, Grace Empowerment Organization, and dedicated mentors, **Pinto has been given hope for a better future.**

Leadership and Talent Centre

The architects are now working on the building designs we hope to share these with you early 2027.









RESPONDING TO CRISIS IN NEPAL

Thank you so much for giving to our Nepal Emergency Appeal. Thanks to your generosity, we raised over £8,000, helping to provide Family Relief Packs to more than 80 families affected by the devastating floods. Your support has brought practical help and hope to people facing immense loss and uncertainty.

Devaki's Story:

Through the relief you have helped provide, she is able to prepare food for her family and meet some of their most immediate needs during this difficult time.

"When the flood struck, I was home alone. After hearing the warning, I saw the flood approaching and had to flee immediately, leaving everything behind.

The flood destroyed my home and killed both my buffaloes. I used to milk them every day and sold their milk. It was my only way of supporting myself, now I don't have any source of income. All my belongings, including food supplies, bedding, household items, and firewood, were washed away.

Since then, I have been staying with neighbours. I am grateful to IN Nepal for providing an infrared stove and kitchen items, which have helped me cook again. However, I still lack cooking gas and, most importantly, a home of my own.

My greatest need now is safe and permanent shelter so I can rebuild my life and regain my independence."

While the road to recovery will be long, your kindness is making a real difference to families like Devaki's. Thank you for standing alongside our brothers and sisters in Nepal when they need it most.

Written by Grace King, Partnerships Manager, IN UK

2026 CHRISTMAS CONCERT

SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER

Gospel concert in Burscough, Lancashire! Join IN UK for a Christmas celebration - raising funds for our **water projects** in Uganda. Featuring Monique & Friends, an uplifting gospel group! Book your tickets **via this QR code:**

Watch this space!
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