

Carol McFarlane Prayer Letter

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Dear Fitzroy and Friends

Thank you all so much for your love and support, especially to Tony and Valerie McGall for their lovely visit and also to Patricia Drummond for visiting here and the memory of a nice cuppa together.

The news so far regarding my health is that I did not get onto the drug trial so it is back to the drawing board. I await news from doctors of an alternative plan

I have just returned from Qatar and South Africa and want to give thanks for a very inspirational time. Firstly I visited the church in Doha and stayed in an ex-pat community with friends from South Africa who are living and working there. Then we went onto Johannesburg and to a safari. I learnt a new Zulu craft from the locals making carvings from monkey oranges! I had a fantastic time seeing lots of big animals, rhinos, hippos, elephants etc, but I loved the warthogs.

We studied Genesis 1 on our first bible study back on 21 May. It was more meaningful having experienced so much of the Lord's wonderful creation.

Pray for peacemakers to influence communities in a godly way since the murder of the soldier in Woolwich on

22 May. Pray for us as we reach out. I spoke to a young man called Hamzu the day afterwards about the love and mercy of the Lord and that while we were still sinning, Christ died to save us. It was God's plan in advance.

The 6 week summer programme with kids commences in the second week of July and will be held in the local park near Cafe Forever.

Please pray for Kirsty and her family of 5 (6th en route) who has now moved to Derby after spending time in a refuge for woman. Pray especially as she settles into a new life and community in Derby, as she has never lived outside London and the Lord willing, that I might have an opportunity to visit her.

Pray for opportunities to speak further with Golda and the other ladies as they reflect after watching the story of Abraham on DVD.

Please pray for me regarding the battle of the mind, which is a weak spot where the devil attacks and makes me negative and depressed. Then I feel that I am no use to God or man.

God bless you all there in 'dear auld' Belfast! I think of you all fondly in Fitzroy and the wonderful praise and worship.

All my love in Christ, Carol

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