

ACAT PRAYER FOCUS

APRIL
2024



Monday

Tuesday

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Friday

 <p>ACAT chillies off to market!</p>	<p>3 Pray for ACAT Directors – Rod Spencer and Enock Dlamini – as they lead their teams in KwaZulu and eSwatini. Pray especially for their encouragement and guidance.</p>	<p>4 Give thanks for our accounts department and all the work they put into the annual audit. ACAT was commended by the external auditors for our team's compliance and good stewardship.</p>	<p>5 Pray for the Lord to direct Strategic Planning to ensure that ACAT remains relevant, agile and effective in these uncertain and challenging times. Also for our participants to own their own development, and not depend on ACAT.</p>
<p>8 Pray for the first group who will attend the first of 5 week-long courses this week on how to become an effective Community Volunteer. Pray that they would hear the Lord speak into their lives, and that they would make life changing choices.</p>	<p>9 Pray for those who are unwell and for those who are terminally ill. Pray for those who care for them too.</p>	<p>10 There is an increase in the number of policies, safeguards, provisos, and reporting required by ACAT's contractual donors. Pray for us to continue to be good stewards of all the resources given to ACAT.</p>	<p>11 Pray for our team as we continually reflect on what we teach and train – in order to stay relevant and fresh! May the Lord continue to anoint our small team and alert us to His voice of direction.</p>
<p>15 Pray for the next group who will attend the first of 5 week-long courses this week on how to become an effective Community Volunteer. Pray that they would hear the Lord speak into their lives and that they would make life changing choices.</p>	<p>16 Pray for our group members – that the Lord would enable them to see possibilities – and for them to choose to take steps to address what they can on their journey out of poverty.</p>	<p>17 Give thanks for all ACAT's intercessors, donors, supporters and friends – for their faithful and encouraging support. Pray too for the Lord's continuous provision for the work of ACAT. Pray for His continued inspiration and wisdom.</p>	<p>18 Pray for the on-going process of using technology to assist in the collection and analysis of information, so that we would be able to use this information to improve our programme's impact.</p>
<p>22 Pray for the members of the Area Implementing Committees (AIC) as they meet this week to explore methodologies to develop their areas and the people that live in them.</p>	<p>23 Give thanks for the many opportunities ACAT has been given to work with, and learn from, other organizations and ministries. We have as Christians an amazing opportunity to join hands to encourage and increase our witness in a world where people are feeling increasingly disempowered, fearful and angry. We are light bearers, and know where to find the scarce resource of eternal hope. We are particularly thrilled with a newly formed partnership with Siyakhanya Trust in the UK - whose purpose is to assist in "light bearing".s</p>	<p>24 Give thanks for each part of ACAT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Boards • the Directors • the management teams • the extension teams including volunteers • the administration teams • the centre teams 	<p>26 Pray for South Africa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ongoing load shedding • education, healthcare, service delivery • unemployment • poverty, corruption • crime, GBV • run up to the elections on 29th May, and the actual selection of the new government.
<p>29 Pray for the next group of Area Implementing Committees (AIC) who meet this week to explore methodologies to develop their areas and the people that live in them.</p>	<p>30 Give thanks for the incredible gift of leadership Lawrence McCrystal has given to ACAT since 1977 – from the very beginning of ACAT. He has decided to retire after serving as a Trustee since its inception. As a renowned economist, his extraordinary knowledge on a vast range of topics has been invaluable in starting and establishing ACAT. He has always made time in his busy schedule to advise, encourage and, at times, voice dissent. He has patiently mentored many ACAT leaders and, together with his wife Pam, prayed for ACAT on a daily basis. This photo was taken during his prayer of thanksgiving and blessing over ACAT at the recent meetings. Thank you Lawrence, and thank you Pam. We echo Jesus' words: "Well done! Good and faithful servants!"</p>		