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## **RWC 2015 GLOBAL PRAYER WAVE TOPICS**

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**'I will give thanks to the Lord', Psalm 7:17**

**'The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective', James 5:16**

We have so much to give thanks to the Lord for in preparation for the Rugby World Cup through Engage 2015, and for His faithfulness in all the plans and activities that have been happening in recent months.

### **Please give thanks for:**

- Mobilisation of churches locally and nationally to engage in outreach into their communities through events, festivals, quizzes, and many more
- The inclusion of Engage 2015 in summer conferences such as New Wine, Momentum and Soul Survivor
- Communications - the website and media hub now up and running
- The resource pack Game of Life which contains information and practical resources for churches to download for use in planned events
- For testimonies given willingly by squad members about the reality of their faith in Jesus Christ
- For financial needs slowly being met
- Provision of office space in London and Twickenham

### **The Lord says: 'call to me and I will answer you', Jeremiah 33:3**

Prayer has to continue so that God's purposes through RWC Engage 2015 can be fulfilled, and the Gospel of Jesus Christ taken to all nations.

### **Please pray for:**

#### **All contacts made prior to the RWC**

- Summer festivals
- Local festivals & events
- Rugby related sports events
- Prayer triplet card names
- Invitations given locally for events during the RWC

That relationships built during the summer will be maintained and grow, especially those within local communities.

## **Planned events by churches/areas during the RWC**

- Screened matches
- Rugby quizzes
- Testimonies of past and present players
- Guest speakers
- Fellowship meals
- Rugby related sports events such as touch/tag rugby

That these events will be the means of the gospel message reaching people who do not have any church or Christian contact, and those interested in learning more would be followed up by local Christians.

## **The hospitality programme**

- For the family hosting programme to give accommodation to supporters at match venues where costs are prohibitive
- For supporters seeking to meet with local Christians at events taking place at match website

Pray that individual needs will be met and lasting friendships made and continued long after the RWC.

## **Resources**

- Resources pack 'Game of Life' which contains a DVD and 20 page booklet designed to help churches organise events in their community as well as a prayer programme to follow
- Luke/Acts publications containing the scriptures and interviews with testimonies from current international players as well as from Luke himself

Pray that these resources will be a valuable tool for churches seeking to reach out to their community effectively, and that the Word of God will be a living source used by the Holy Spirit to reach into lives and challenge readers.

## **Communications**

- Website
- Engage Media hub
- Game of Life Website
- Publications
- National Broadcast media
- Social media

Pray for all these means of communication that they will be effective in the transmission of information to all who seek access, and that no problems will occur with the networks.

## **Community Links**

- Local authorities – working together
- Local schools - especially during half term week at the end of October
- Local communities - where churches are organising events and giving out invitations
- Local rugby clubs – where joint events can be arranged such as rugby quiz and match screening

Pray that churches can build relationships with other organisations within their community and use RWC as a means of reaching out with the gospel.

## **Funding**

- Administration
- Marketing & Advertising
- Publicity
- Hospitality

Pray that outstanding finances will be found to meet all needs of Engage 2015.

## **Relationships**

- Rugby World Cup Limited – the owning company of RWC
- England Rugby 2015 – the local delivery body
- Rugby Football Union – the host nation of England

Continue to pray for good relationships between these organising bodies and Engage 2015, and that the whole organisation of RWC will run smoothly and without incident, and enjoyed by all who attend matches.

Pray for Christians involved in the tournament, both participants and organisers, that they may be able to give their best and glorify God in all they do and say.

## **Matches**

- Safety of squads and spectators
- Street pastors covering the roads around match venues
- Churches local to match venues
- Crowd control – before and after matches

Pray especially for the safety of all where large crowds can easily erupt into violence and cause harm.

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