



***Prayers for the last  
two months of the  
Vision for Life  
Prayer Year***

### **October 2010: small grants**

£10,000 a year has been set aside in M4L for seed funding for churches, ecumenical groupings and mission partnerships to set up or sustain mission priorities and pledges. Please pray in your context as to what opportunities there might be that could be helped by such a grant. Please pray for the generosity of churches and individuals to M4L that monies available for grants may increase with demand.

Recent examples are Churches Together in Hartlepool who asked for funding for mission as part of the Tall Ships event. They gave out thousands of goodie bags including a gospel and held an open air act of worship with several hundred people present at the tall ships event. The URC in Kielder where there is no other church present has received a small grant for resources for an after school club. This may only serve a hand full of children but shows the care of the Christian community for children who have different resources and needs through living in a rural rather than urban setting.

#### **Prayer:**

Father of all,  
You loved the world so much that you gave your only Son,  
So that all who believe in him  
Should have eternal and abundant life:  
Grant us grace to accept all your gifts and to use them  
For the good of others  
For the care of your world  
And to proclaim the values of your kingdom  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**November 2010:**

**Robert Steward Memorial URC  
Church Related Community Work Project.**

Ann Honey was appointed as the CRCW working with RSM URC in Newcastle in February 2009. She has helped the church to engage with the community around and started to assess needs.

Already a craft group and work with the Rumanian Community that worships at RSM, particularly the children, has led to many more contacts and a deepening of the links between the church and its community. Working with the uniformed organisations especially the Guides has also been significant in these early days of the project.

Church related Community Workers are a recognised ministry in the URC and we pray that God will raise more people up to seek training and to exercise this front line ministry.

*Find out more on the URC website—*

*What we do: CRCWs: Getting involved*

**Prayer:**

We pray that the Church in every land be marked:  
with Christian unity in loving fellowship,  
and common hope shown to the world.

We pray that the Church in every place be faithful:  
that the marginalized, rejected and forgotten  
become embraced in its mission,  
and the complacent and comfortable  
are challenged with others' need.

We pray that the Church in every village and town be vocal:  
telling out the gospel,  
speaking words of healing,  
talking truth for life.

In the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ,  
who called the Church into being. Amen