

September Prayer Focus



What is TWAM?

'We are a UK charity based in Ipswich, Suffolk, with centres across the country. We have a mission to empower people in Africa living in extreme poverty to create their own livelihoods. We do this by sending trade kits full of tools that are used in skills training centres, offering the trainees a way to put poverty in the past for good and begin their own sustainable careers.

We send around 18 containers to rural African communities every year, full of tools that have been collected from across the UK and refurbished in our refurbishment centres.

We have a strong environmental focus, as our work helps to keep around 225 tonnes of tools out of landfills in the UK every year.' (www.twam.uk)

WBC have supported this charity for many years by holding an annual tool collection day. This year, our collection day is on September 17th from 10.00am – 4.00pm.

If you are able, please join with us this month to pray for the work of this charity, both in the UK and in Africa and for our collection day at WBC.

What are TWAM'S core values? (taken from www.twam.uk)



We are committed to the poor.

We are called to serve the vulnerable and ultra-poor and work with those who share our compassion to alleviate their poverty and suffering.

'For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore, I command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother (and sister), to the needy and to the poor, in your land.' Deuteronomy 15:11 (ESV)



We are stewards of the Earth's resources.

We take great care to collect donated useable tools and save thousands of tonnes of tools destined for landfill every year. We practice good stewardship of all our resources, whether donated tools, financial gifts, or the opportunity to provide meaningful volunteer opportunities to people across the UK.

'As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.' 1 Peter 4:10 (ESV)



We are partners.

We work with charities, churches and communities across the developing world who share our compassion to reach the neediest of peoples. We recognise that we are not called to work alone, but to seek out those with whom we can stand in our calling to alleviate poverty in Jesus Christ's name through livelihood creating tools.

'And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.' Hebrews 10:24-25 (ESV)



We are Christian.

We follow the teachings of the Bible and the example of Jesus Christ.

"The second (commandment) is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

Mark 12:31 (ESV)