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DR Congo – Pray for the people of Goma City who are vulnerable to COVID-19 and lack access to clean water and sanitation. Pray for a coordinated vaccination response in the DRC and for churches still responding to the immediate needs of people affected by the volcanic eruption in Goma in May 2021.

Ethiopia – We ask that you please pray for the worsening situation in Ethiopia's northern province, Tigray. The food aid that many organizations, including Tearfund Canada, sent to the country still needs to be delivered to the most vulnerable people in the province. However, the fighting between government and rebel forces has increased and roads into the province are blocked. Please pray that the food will get to those who need it most.

In the southern region of Wolaita, a drought has left almost 400,000 people without food. Crops have failed because the rainy season never arrived. Please pray for our local partner, Terepeza Development Association, as they bring food aid and support to 18,000 of the most vulnerable people affected by this drought. Pray for the rains to come later this summer so that some farmers get another chance with their crops.

India – Keep praying for Ramesh Babu, executive director of our local partner EFICOR. Ramesh had a tumour in his brain, which was successfully removed. Please pray for his recovery and that there would be no further complications in his treatment. Please also pray for EFICOR's ongoing response to the COVID-19 crisis in India, as they bring immediate relief to some of the most vulnerable people in the country.

Kenya – Join us in praising God for our local partner, Fadhili Trust. One of our staff members recently visited Fadhili's projects teaching poor farmers conservation agriculture techniques and building up Village Savings and Loans (VSL) groups in local churches. We heard a powerful testimony of a vulnerable woman, widowed and suffering from HIV/AIDs, who is providing for her five children and contributing to the local VSL group. Despite her condition and her challenges, she is thriving and seen as a valued, respected member of the local church. Praise God for the incredible ministry of Fadhili Trust and the powerful ways they are empowering those living in extreme poverty.

Lebanon – Lebanon is facing an unprecedented economic and financial crisis that is impacting the lives of the most vulnerable,

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including Syrian refugees. Individuals and families are falling deeper into poverty due to high inflation, rising food prices and a loss of income. The COVID-19 outbreak has exacerbated the situation by reducing people's access to food, livelihood opportunities and other basic services. Pray for our local partner, Medair, who are on the frontlines meeting the needs of vulnerable people in Lebanon. Pray for an end to the growing crisis in the country. Pray that God would protect the most vulnerable during this difficult time.

Liberia – Remember Liberia in your prayers as the country goes through it's second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our local church partner, the Association of Evangelicals of Liberia, is very worried about the rising number of cases and deaths. Pray for them as they continue to work alongside some of the poorest people in the country.

Sierra Leone – Praise God for a new project being implemented by the Evangelical Fellowship of Sierra Leone (EFSL), our local church partner. With the generous support of our Canadian donors, the EFSL has introduced cassava processing machines in communities to help women crush cassava root into flour. These machines have empowered women to sell cassava flour to provide for their families and lift themselves from extreme poverty. They are also helping provide enough food and provision for families that suffer from chronic hunger. Praise God for this exciting development in Sierra Leone!

Tearfund UK – Pray for Tearfund UK's CEO, Nigel Harris, who is taking an extended leave this summer. Pray for strength and for rest as he takes time away from his work with Tearfund. Pray for Jane Pleace as she fills in for Nigel, and takes on duties of acting-CEO.