

The background of the entire page is a photograph of two women standing side-by-side against a vertical-plank wooden wall. Both women are wearing traditional, multi-layered beaded necklaces and large, ornate earrings. They are also wearing patterned shawls or wraps. The woman on the left has a white wrap with red and black stripes, while the woman on the right has a red wrap with white stripes. The text 'tearfund CANADA' is overlaid in the top right corner, and '2018 PRAYER GUIDE' is overlaid in the middle right section.

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### BANGLADESH

Over 600,000 Rohingya Refugees continue to live in uncertainty in makeshift, unsanitary camps in Bangladesh. Please pray for the peace negotiations, that the refugees will return to permanent homes in 2018. Pray also for medical care that will keep disease from taking lives in the camps.

### INDIA

Pray in general for Indian Christians working in an environment of increasing religious tensions. Pray for the success of Tearfund's agricultural projects among the Saura and Malto ethnic groups who have traditionally lived in greater poverty than the average Indian citizen.

### ETHIOPIA

Ethnic tensions have been rising over the last year in Ethiopia. Pray for harmony and cooperation among feuding groups. Pray that, in 2018, thousands more of the rural poor will be empowered to lift themselves out of poverty through training in conservation agriculture and self help groups from our partner.

### TANZANIA

Pray that the influential Anglican church will continue to train pastors in conservation agriculture methods that have been so successful in meeting the needs of the poor in central Tanzania. Tanzania is in the drought zone of East Africa and needs a year of good rains in 2018.

### KENYA

Pray that our partner Fadhili Trust and that we will secure additional church and government funding for the transformative Savings Program. Pray also for good rains this year, and for good results for our agricultural programs in the dry valleys of Central Kenya.

### DR CONGO

Violence in the eastern provinces has triggered a displacement crisis that will continue in 2018. North Kivu, where Tearfund is operating projects with the Baptists of Central Africa is one of the worst affected areas, Pray for the safety of our program staff and for the success of economic development programs.

### LIBERIA

Pray for the new government, that was democratically elected in the first peaceful transition of power since the brutal 1990s war. Pray for Tearfund Canada and our partner the Association of Evangelicals in Liberia as we assess the food security situation together and plan new programs that will empower Liberia's rural poor.

### SIERRA LEONE

Pray for peaceful elections in March 2018, that the country continues to rebuild after the war. Pray for Tearfund Canada as we work with the Evangelical Fellowship of Sierra Leone to do assessments to determine what projects would best address community food security needs.

### SOUTH SUDAN

2018 is predicted to be another difficult year, war and famine continue and could get worse. Pray that aid will reach those who need it and for an end to the brutal civil war. Pray for our colleagues in Tearfund South Sudan working under very difficult circumstances.

### LEBANON

Please pray for Syrian refugees in the Bekaa valley of Lebanon where Tearfund provides community health services. Pray that the community stays open to their neighbours in need and that the refugees will find appropriate housing from which to raise their families.