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1 January	At the beginning of this new year fill our hearts with hope for increasing justice and peace in our world, and give us the strength and determination to work with your Spirit in changing the world around us. From a prayer written by David Warrington for Baptists Together magazine Spring 2015
8 January	This week please pray for the South West Baptist Association as they seek to support, encourage and enable the 90 Baptist churches in the South West to tell people the good news that Jesus changes lives. www.swbaptists.org.uk
15 January	Please pray for the Hong Kong response project, and its Coordinator Sharon Shek. The project is seeking to encourage and enable UK Baptist churches to be places of welcome for those leaving Hong Kong, and to aid Hong Kongers to settle into their new lives in the UK. www.baptist.org.uk/hk
22 January	This year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity explores how the work of Christian unity can contribute to the promotion of racial justice across all levels of society: God of the oppressed, open our eyes to the harm that continues to be inflicted on our siblings in Christ. Give us the courage to stand up and advocate for all who are silenced, even if it means releasing some of our own privilege to do justice. Amen. www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer
29 January	Holocaust Memorial Day was on 27 January. We pray for all the millions of ordinary victims of Nazi persecution and subsequent genocides, and for those 'ordinary' people who demonstrated extraordinary acts of solidarity, resistance, and perseverance through their faith. www.ctbi.org.uk/holocaust-memorial-day-27-jan-2023