

# A PRAYER FOR THE BURUNDI BEEKEEPING MISSION

## INFORMATION:

Harry Owens is the Islands own octogenarian adventurer! 4-24<sup>th</sup> of October 2018 he is embarking on the adventure of a lifetime, which will change lives for generations to come. Harry the Island's bee disease officer is going to train over 300 female beekeepers, as well as groups of youths in how to make beehives and the protective clothing.

I would like to say, a massive heartfelt thank you to every one of you for making the Bee project a reality. I sat in the field in February, with the Burundian lady beekeepers, listening to their issues and day dreaming about this trip, it is breath-taking to me that we are only two weeks away from it happening! It has taken a lot of effort and hard work to get to this stage, all of which I am eternally grateful for.

This new project, started in November 2017. The basis of the project is to train local women and youth in the art of beekeeping. By giving this gift of education they will be able to produce their own honey either individually or as village co-operatives.

Not only will this be a source of rich nutrition to supplement the poor diets, but excess can be sold at profit.

If you would like to follow Harry's adventure, please follow Christian Aid IOM on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ChristianAidIsleofMan/>

Alternatively if you would like to hear or organise a talk on Harry's return or you would like to make a donation towards the project, please contact me on 474275, or [whitelegg@christian-aid.org](mailto:whitelegg@christian-aid.org) or write to Christian Aid, Marlbrook, Kerrowmoar, Lezayre, IM7 2AX

Please use the prayer suggestion below (or similar) as part of your intercessions while Harry and the team are working in Burundi

*Every Blessing,*

*Louise Whitelegg*



## Prayer

Father, thank you for the courage of individuals, who stand up to make a change and those whose support makes it possible to love our global neighbours.

We offer up to you the safekeeping of Harry Owens as he travels from the Island and around Burundi.

Please bless Harry with your strength of heart, mind and body.

May his mission to educate the Burundian women and youth in the life-giving art of beekeeping, be understood, embraced and live on through future generations.

Thank you to all who act with selfless love to make your Kingdom of Heaven on Earth possible.

Amen

