

FRIDAY

ASIA

India/Bangladesh Fellowship
East Asia Fellowship

In **Hong Kong** the Kwai Hing Children's and Youth Centre run by the B.B. continues to provide a service to the community. Opportunities of presenting the gospel in talks, discussions and music are taken at Christian Camps where there is always plenty of fun and fellowship.

B.B. Singapore also runs a community centre at its headquarters and encourages service to others through events like its National Day Thanksgiving Carnival. The number of Companies is increasing and now stands at over 40. Help has been given to **Indonesia** in setting up Putra Pengabdi an organisation in the Methodist Church in Medan.

The Junior Ministry in Tamil Nadu state in **India** provides for both girls and boys. It is hoped that the work will expand into other areas in the future as other Churches see the value of the work among the young people.

In **Malaysia** Berigid Putera (B.B.) has produced plans for their full-time staff project and hope these will soon bear fruit. It has been difficult to get news of the work which was started in **Bangladesh** a few years ago but we hope some of it still survives.

READING: Isaiah 58 v 6-11. Making a just world.

PRAYER:

We thank you Father for the witness of The Boys' Brigade, Junior Ministry and similar organisations in Asia where Christians are in a minority. Let their light shine brightly so that others seeing their work will ask "Who is this Jesus?" Grant that your Holy Spirit may guide in responding to such questions so that your truths may be given in love.

Bless young people where there are great pressures and temptations to turn to drugs. Give strength through friendships and fellowship which centre on you and help leaders to be sympathetic toward those at risk.

We pray for Church leaders that they may be given wisdom in their relationships with governments. Bless especially the young people of Hong Kong as they live in uncertain times.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN.

SATURDAY

THE PACIFIC

The PRF Secretariat and Management moved from New Zealand to Australia at the beginning of 1988 and John Gowman has become part-time Secretary on retirement from his Australian and New South Wales posts.

The Boys' Brigade in **Australia** has a particular interest in **Papua New Guinea** where David Head has been Liaison Officer for over a year encouraging the work and preparing training literature. The number of Companies has grown although the setting up of a national structure is difficult because of the size of the country and high cost of travel.

Work is also growing again in **Samoa** and **Tonga** which have close relationships with New Zealand. **New Zealand** had a very successful Camp 'Canterbury Challenge' with over 800 participants. In the North Island the training and conference centre near Auckland is well established and Wellington Battalion are developing their Camp Site.

READING: Mark 12 v 41-44. Costly giving.

PRAYER:

Our Father who has created the great oceans of the world we remember today those who live on islands of the Pacific both great and small. We thank you for those who risked their lives to carry the good news of Jesus Christ in the past and for those who have passed it on from generation to generation.

Give to the young people of today the same faithfulness to Jesus Christ. Help them as they grow up in an ever changing world to hold on to the good in their traditions and to add what your Holy Spirit reveals to them.

Encourage those on small and lonely islands as they carry on the work among young people and draw us all together as a great family around the world in your worship and praise.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN.

THE WORLD
CONFERENCE

Week of Prayer

This folder is purposely undated as it is used at different times of the year in different parts of the world. The majority of countries will use it during the week 23rd-29th October in 1988. The information which is prepared in April each year can be supplemented with more up to date information sent to national secretaries.

How to use this folder

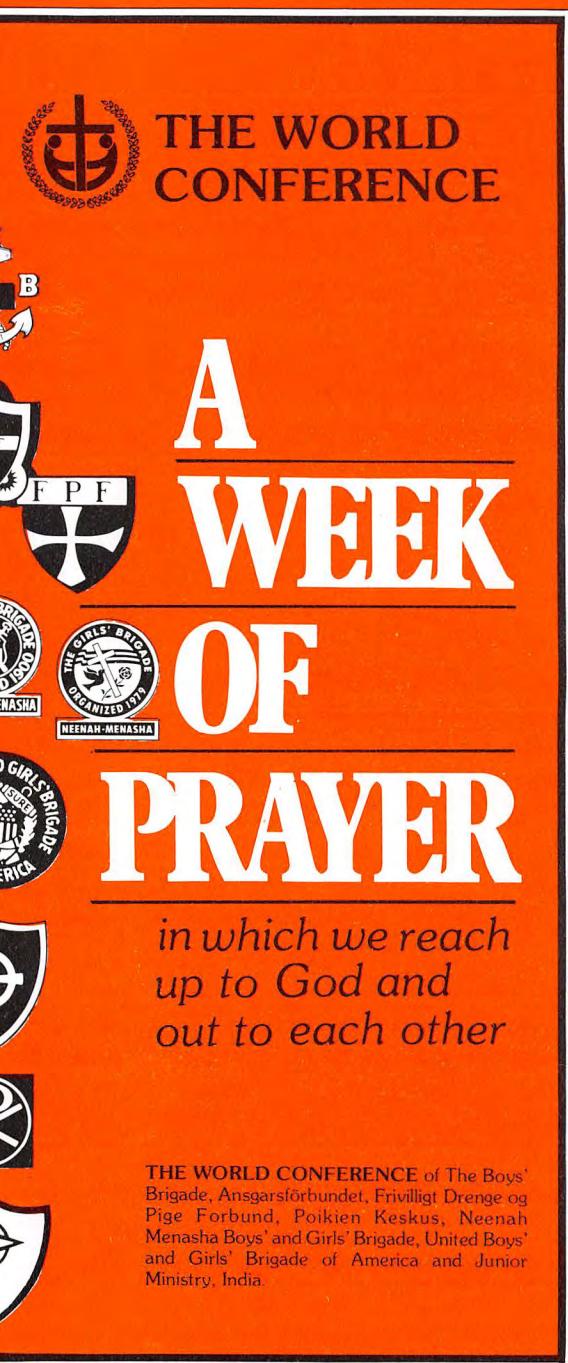
- 1 Share with all of the young people in your Company or group.
- 2 Translate into your local language where necessary.
- 3 Involve your Church by asking your minister or pastor to use it in a Church service.
- 4 Use the blank page to include a list of local topics for prayer.

Please let us know if you have found this folder useful.

THE WORLD CONFERENCE PRAYER

In a world in which there is so much hunger we give thanks for food;
In a world in which there is so much loneliness we give thanks for friends;
And in a world in which there is so much to do we ask for strength to spend ourselves in Christ's service.
AMEN.

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SUNDAY OUR WORLD FAMILY



Many young people in our organisations are unaware that they are part of a worldwide family. We call ourselves The World Conference because the body brings together seven similar youth organisations so that we can discuss, communicate, meet and share with each other our faith in Jesus Christ, our problems, our successes and our resources.

The largest and oldest member of our family is The Boys' Brigade found in over 50 countries. The youngest is the Junior Ministry in India which became a member in 1982. Ansgarsforbundet in Sweden, FDF/FPF in Denmark and Poikien Keskus in Finland are Lutheran organisations which have a long history of friendship and co-operation with each other and with The Boys' Brigade. The United Boys' and Girls' Brigade of America and The Boys' and Girls' Brigade of Neenah-Menasha (USA) have their roots in The Boys' Brigade.

As organisations helping young people to grow spiritually, physically, socially and educationally we have much in common. We are members of the family of Jesus Christ - the Church. We exist for others and in all our work we should reflect the love of Christ.

We have a great responsibility as a family to have concern for each other and for those outside of our family. The World Conference gives us the opportunity to share through literature, projects, exchanges, international camps and conferences.

READING: 1st Corinthians 12 v 14-27. One Body.

PRAYER:

We thank you our Father for the energy and enthusiasm of young people. Help us in our organisations to use these gifts for the benefit of each other. Draw us together as a worldwide family caring for each other, seeing each others needs and helping each other.

May the love of Jesus Christ, your Son, fill our lives and spill over to others. Keep us from being selfish and help us to use all the gifts you have given us in the service of others.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN.