

Mission Partner prayer and update 9 August 2026

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A Rocha UK: Caring for Creation Together

Over recent months, A Rocha UK has continued to strengthen its conservation work across the country. Their teams have advanced **habitat restoration**, completed seasonal biodiversity surveys, and deepened river-care partnerships with churches and local communities. Growing **citizen-science projects**—from bird monitoring to pollinator counts—are helping people of all ages connect with nature while gathering data that guides local conservation decisions. Internationally, A Rocha’s work to protect threatened species and restore coastal and forest habitats remains a vital part of their mission.

Season of Creation 2026: *Living Waters*

Around 600 years before the birth of Jesus, 30-year-old Ezekiel, an apprentice priest in exile, took on a prophetic role and wrote of a time when water flows out from under the temple, when *‘swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows’* and *‘fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river’*.

This year’s Season of Creation (from 1 September to 4 October) invites churches worldwide to reflect on **Ezekiel 47**, where life flourishes wherever God’s river flows. A Rocha UK is encouraging congregations to become “part of God’s river, joining creation’s healing.” Churches are invited to engage through worship, prayer, teaching, advocacy, or practical action—such as cleaning a local pond, stream, or river. A Rocha will be releasing resources, including a Celebration Guide, to help churches participate meaningfully in this global ecumenical season. [The guide can be found here - Season of Creation](#)

Prayer for A Rocha

Lord of creation,
bless A Rocha’s staff, volunteers, and partners as they care for Your world.
Strengthen their hands, inspire their teaching, and guide their research.
May their work renew habitats, deepen community engagement,
and reflect Your healing love.
Help us, as Your church, to join joyfully in protecting Your earth.
Amen.