

# PRAISE & PRAYER DIARY

December 2019 to February 2020



*'The true light that gives light to everyone  
was coming into the world.'*

*John 1:9*



# December 2019

## WHERE ARE COUNTIES RESOURCES THIS MONTH?

- Life exhibition: not in use this month
- GSUS Live:
  - Unit One Telford & Shropshire
  - Unit Two Poole & Bournemouth
- Key to Life: not in use this month

### 01 SUNDAY

Please pray for **Beverley Bedford** as she begins her new role as full-time Counties Training Officer today. See photo below: Beverley with husband, Bryan.



Please pray for **John Hardwick** as he leads a Big Advent Celebration in Gosberton, Lincoln today. This is an annual event organised by the Baptist, Methodist and Anglican churches and two local primary schools. A wonderful opportunity to present the Gospel!

**Ian Carr** is preaching at Broadstone Baptist, Poole today. Please pray that the Holy Spirit would bring salvation to any who are not yet believers. Pray for whole families to be impacted by the message as **David Brown** leads a Family Service at Penn Christian Centre, Wolverhampton and at the 'Christmas Sunday Special' with **Jonathan Brain** in Chippenham.

### 02 MONDAY

Please pray for **Tom Binding** and **Lizzie Bell** (TEAM students) as they join **Janet Hawking** this week in Junior schools in West Wales. Pray it will be a memorable week for them, as they share the love of Jesus.

**Tony & Ruth Hood** in Suffolk ask, "Please pray for our work in schools; that as Christmas approaches, we will be able to help people see Jesus in the middle of it all."

Please pray as **Tim Cooke** works with Crossfyra in Coventry schools this week, and then starts a 'Walk on Water' outreach tour on 11 December in Manchester.

### 03 TUESDAY

Please pray for **Charles Addoco** as he coordinates 'First Priority', an evangelistic outreach programme with young people, in East London and Southwest Essex.

Please pray for **John Hardwick** as he tours schools (up to five a day) in Cambridge with GenR8, presenting 'The Greatest Gift', including RE days too. Please pray for strength, safety on the roads and that the children and staff will understand the real meaning of Christmas. Today John is leading a RE Day at Freezywater St George's C of E Primary School in Enfield and a Christmas Messy Church event at Royston Methodist on 15 December.

### 04 WEDNESDAY

**Tony Hood** shares, "Praise God for a fantastic, awesome time at Sizewell Christian Conference Centre, Suffolk running Week 2 family camp. Brilliant to see God at work in, and through, people's lives."

## 05 THURSDAY

Please pray for the Counties evangelists who will be preparing for evangelistic events over the Christmas period:

**Gordon Curley** asks for prayer for “Christmas opportunities that will come in many formats: from school assemblies to services in care-homes.”

**Will Andrews** asks, “Pray that we will present the timeless message of Christmas, in a relevant way, that connects with people.”

Please pray for opportunities for those struggling to hear the life-changing message of the Gospel. **Andrew & Rachel Mugford** asks for prayer as the Maldon Job Club they lead has its annual Christmas meal. Many of the members live alone, so this is the only opportunity for a special meal together. As we share this time together, please pray that the conversations and epilogue show that Jesus is the reason for our care and compassion towards them.



## 06 FRIDAY

**Paul Willmott** is speaking at Christmas events for Kingsway Church, Wombourne today. In the morning, ‘Toddler Praise’, for preschool and parents, then later at the children and youth groups, presenting the message of Jesus’ birth from Mary’s point of view.

## 07 SATURDAY

**Tim & Joy Ayrton** ask for prayer for the Christmas Outreach initiatives taking place this month, including an annual Carol Service at Number72, and also at Bures Baptist Church, Suffolk, tomorrow.

## 08 SUNDAY

Please pray for **Andrew Mugford** as he leads the Café Church Service at Shotgate Baptist Church, Essex today. Andrew adds, “There are folk who attend that do not come to church normally. As we think about the significance of Advent, please pray that we go beyond the Advent Calendar!”

Please pray for those preaching today, including, **Craig Dowling** leading a carol service at Ross On Wye; **Phil Davies** preaching at Mount Pleasant Baptist, Pembroke this morning, followed by a

Messy Church in Dunvant, Swansea with **Sheila Davies & Tom Binding** (TEAM); and **Andy Jelfs** is speaking at Stratford St Mary Evangelical Church.

## 09 MONDAY

Please pray for **Mike Thomas** and his team of elves as they take Santa's sleigh around East Cardiff from 9-14 December. They will be giving out thousands of Christmas gifts and invitations to Christmas church services.

**Phil Davies** and **Tom Binding** start a week of school assemblies around Swansea schools today.

*‘As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.’*

Proverbs 27:17

## 10 TUESDAY

**Julian Gutteridge** asks for prayer for “Opportunities to engage our Muslim contacts with the Gospel and invite them to come to Christmas events at church. We shall also be inviting some of them to our house to share Christmas day with us.”

## 11 WEDNESDAY

**Lee Marsland** in Oldham shares, "We have just been accepted to use downstairs at church as a homeless shelter seven days a week." He adds, "We roll out our 'Community Big Give', where we deliver hampers, toys and gifts to those less fortunate and also to the local children's hospital." Praise God for this opportunity to share the love of God with those who could be overlooked and vulnerable.

## 12 THURSDAY

**Stephen Gillham** in Dorset reports, "Our December Schools Programme is much reduced from the past, but we still have several good opportunities to present the message and meaning of Christmas this month to school children. Praise God for the Bible Educational Services Trustees as we have worked very hard to produce a five year plan. Please pray for these plans to be implemented, and for the Bibletime material to continue to be used around the world. Pray for literally millions of children around the world who are using December Bibletime lessons this month."

## 13 FRIDAY

**Mark Bingham** asks, "Please pray for our 'Christmas Special' today at Maulden Baptist Church, Bedfordshire, a service for our youth group and their families. Pray that people will respond to the Gospel message."

**Victor Jack** asks for prayer for two Christian outreach events in Sudbury and Bury St Edmunds this month.

## 14 SATURDAY

This will be the third year in a row that **Shaun & Livi Almond** will prepare a Christmas dinner for the teens at the youth club in Halstead, Essex. They explain, "It is generally the best attended club night of the year and we feed over 50 teens; many of whom have very difficult home lives - this being their only Christmas dinner. The ladies from our church help and go all out to make this is a full and wonderful time. We'd love to be able to reach teens and pour Jesus' love into their lives."

**Caleb Mathewos** would value prayer for Christmas preparations for family and children events in South East London.

## 15 SUNDAY

Please pray that people from the community in Ulverston, Cumbria would attend the all-age Carol Service **Matt Rich** is leading today.

Please pray for the preaching engagements **David Symons** has this month; that the Lord helps and inspires him to bring the wonder and excitement of the incarnation to those who will be present.

## 16 MONDAY

Please pray as **Craig Dowling** and his family start a new chapter today at Henry Street Evangelical Church, Ross-on-Wye. Pray as he prepares for the first Sunday of this new season (22 December).

Please pray for **Phil Davies, Tom Binding, Steve & Gwyn Treseder** and **Lizzie Bell** as they commence a week of 'Christmas Wrapped Up' school opportunities in Duntant & Mumbles, Swansea. Pray the seven schools attending will realise the true meaning of Christmas through the activities.

## 17 TUESDAY

Please pray for the **Neighbourhood Chaplains** team in Camborne, Cornwall, after the recent training given by **Beverley Bedford** and **Jenny Rossiter**.



## 18 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for **Paul Davies** as he speaks at Swansea University Christian Union on 'The Relevance & Reality of the Cross'. Also, pray for Paul as he leads assemblies and lessons explaining the true meaning of Christmas in schools in Swansea.

**Ian & Sally Carr** write, "Give thanks for the regular attendance of a small core group of men at the Wednesday Bible Fellowship meeting at Guys Marsh Prison, Shaftesbury. Please pray for those who used to attend to return, and that the problematic afternoon timing would revert to the evening."

## 19 THURSDAY

**Phil Davies** reports, "Praise God for an excellent team of young people working together to put on a Summer children's club in Mumbles in cooperation with GLO and Castleton Chapel. The children listened well and there were some great

ongoing contacts made with families. We were also able to strengthen the fledgling youth work and have a great family evening."

## 20 FRIDAY

Please pray for the prison ministry that **Kim Hobbs** is involved in. Kim explains, "At this time of year prisoners' minds can turn especially to missing home and family." Pray for **Kim & Jo Hobbs** as well as many other Christian ministries working with prisoners and ex-offenders, that they can offer Jesus' comfort and hope as they look towards the New Year.

## 21 SATURDAY

**Steve Loader** from Bristol shares, "Praise God for the many Gospel booklets given to seafarers from around the world."



*'The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.'*

Deuteronomy 31:8

## 22 SUNDAY

**Lionel Cargo** asks, "Please pray that I will be able to share my faith in the Lord Jesus openly; that lives might be blessed and people will come to know the Saviour of the world and see through all the tinsel and glitter. I have an end of year service and want to challenge folk to keep looking to the Lord in all He wants in our lives in the coming days."

Please pray for **Mike Strange** today as he leads two key evangelistic services at the Meare Community Church, a church plant, in Somerset.

**Jonathan Brain** asks for prayer for a carol service today at Ladyfield Evangelical Church in Chippenham, that it would be well attended by the local community.



## 23 MONDAY

**Steve Loader** shares, "Christmas is often a difficult time for seafarers as they feel particularly homesick and miss their families terribly. Pray they may encounter the message of Christmas and sense the closeness of the Lord at this time."

## 24 TUESDAY

**Kim Hobbs** thanks God for, "being back to full health and for some exciting ongoing projects, at the prison and with the local police force."

## 25 WEDNESDAY

Praise God, our Father, as we celebrate the birth of His son! Please prayer that this will be a time of remembering God's love and goodness to us all. **Merry Christmas to all from the Counties family!**

## 26 THURSDAY

**Colin Johnson** in Leighton Buzzard asks, "Please pray for the new contacts I have made in a local retirement apartment block. Several folk living there are isolated and lonely and welcome my visits and want to discuss spiritual matters."

## 27 FRIDAY

Please pray the **Counties evangelists** have time of rest and recuperation after the busy period leading up to Christmas.

## 28 SATURDAY

**Beverley Bedford** asks, "Please pray for a new year and a new season of opportunities to serve the community with a servant heart through the work of Neighbourhood Chaplaincy."



## 29 SUNDAY

**Will Andrews** reports, "I am so grateful to God that I am recovering quicker from my operation than I was led to believe – it can only be due to all the prayers said on my behalf! We also continue to be impressed with the opportunities that this journey opens up. One Saturday, at my cancer group meeting, I had an opportunity to speak about faith, at the instigation of a lady in the group – unique moments to witness to totally non-Christian people. A number of them are now 'friends' with me on Facebook, reading all the Christian posts, prayers and best wishes is having a positive impact on the them."

*'The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.'*

John 1:14

## 30 MONDAY

Praise God for the **Neighbourhood Chaplains** who connect with those who will be isolated and alone this Christmas. Please pray that the Neighbourhood Chaplains will be led to reach the loneliest people who most need them, especially for those who use the television as their main source of company.



## 31 TUESDAY

Please pray that the children's club New Year's party **Jonathan Brain** is leading at Ladyfield Evangelical Church, Chippenham, goes well and all those attending would be kept safe. Also, for new opportunities to open up for assemblies in primary schools.

# Prayer focus:



## NORTH WALES

700,000 people live in North Wales today. North Wales is a part of the world that once claimed to have more chapels than pubs.

Through the 1904-05 revival it wasn't just this part of Wales that was positively transformed, but its impacts have since been felt all across the world.

That was then. Today those same chapels are closing down, or being turned into homes and businesses. From a time when nearly everyone attended church, today in Wales it is estimated that less than 1% of people attend church.

Who will reach the 99% with the good news and hope of Jesus Christ?

Please pray for those reaching out to their communities in North Wales. Pray for doors to be opened for Counties to make Jesus known via our evangelists, resources or Counties Planting Network.

(Information taken from [reachnorthwales.org](http://reachnorthwales.org))

***I lift up my eyes to the mountains—  
where does my help come from?  
My help comes from the LORD,  
the Maker of heaven and earth.***

Psalm 121:1,2

Snowdon, North Wales

# January 2020

## WHERE ARE COUNTIES RESOURCES THIS MONTH?

- Life exhibition: Exeter
- GSUS Live:  
Unit One Pembrokeshire  
Unit Two Neath, Swansea & Port Talbot
- Key to Life: not in use

### 01 WEDNESDAY

**Jonathan Brain** in Chippenham gives thanks for new opportunities opening up in a local comprehensive school.

**Janet Hawking** shares, "I am so grateful for a rest from schools work to spend time with family, but had an invite to see the Head of Education for Catholic schools. He was so supportive, amazed at what we offer, eager to endorse it and to roll it out to all RC Schools across South Wales. Praise the Lord!"

### 02 THURSDAY

Please pray for **Tony & Ruth Hood** as they continue running the after-school SPLAT clubs and other work in schools and the community.

Please pray for guidance as **David Symons**, in North Devon, takes time out to pray and seek God for the year ahead.

### 03 FRIDAY

Please pray for the newly trained



**Neighbourhood Chaplains** teams who plan to use the winter months to prepare themselves for community visiting in the Spring. Pray for those writing policies and procedures, and those working through training materials.

### 04 SATURDAY

Churches in the Black Country are starting the new decade with a large celebration today, aiming to bring together 2,500 people from across the area. **Paul Willmott** is involved in planning the children's involvement, making sure that all are included.

Pray for the **GSUS Live** training days in Swansea and West Wales today. The resource will be used for the next six

weeks across Swansea, Port Talbot and Swansea & Neath Valleys. Please pray **Phil Davies** and the team of presenters have a sense of vision for this work.



### 05 SUNDAY

**Ian Carr** is preaching at the family service at Hazelbury Bryan Methodist Chapel, Dorset today.

Please pray as **Victor Jack** preaches at High Street Chapel, Hopton today, and on 5, 12 and 26 January.

### 06 MONDAY

Please pray as **GSUS Live** visits six schools in the Swansea area during the first half of the Spring Term. **Steve Treseder** and **Phil Davies** are involved in presenting the programme, as well as others from various churches. Please pray for a good response from the many students and staff who will attend and work through the programme.





## 07 TUESDAY

**Mark Bingham** (Bedfordshire) asks for prayer for the toddler group at Maulden Baptist Church that is restarting today. Pray that parents and children will attend.

Please pray for follow up calls to the new contacts made by **Colin Johnson** from door to door visits in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard.

## 08 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for **Charles Addoco** (Essex) as he prepares young people for living the mission of God in their respective spheres.

Please pray for **Janet Hawking** as she coordinates the **GSUS Live** tour of six Pembrokeshire secondary schools this month. Pray that the presenters will be united, bold and grow in their faith. Also, that the staff and teens will know the love of God.



## 09 THURSDAY

Today **Phil & Sheila Davies**, along with **Tom Binding** (TEAM) have an outreach to those over 60 called 'Friends & Neighbours', in Swansea. Pray for a good time and listening hearts.

**Craig Dowling** asks, "Please pray for us at Wye Community Church as we listen and follow God in this new season, and as we mould as a team."

## 10 FRIDAY

Please pray as **Mike Strange** trains student teachers today at Somerset SCITT (School Centred Initial Teacher Training) about teaching RE and History.

*'I will teach you about the power of God...'* Job 27:11

## 11 SATURDAY

**Kim & Jo Hobbs** (Hemel Hempstead) is making final plans for a new course for prisoners and ex-offenders. It aims to equip prisoners for life after prison and will establish a new foundation for one to one working with ex-offenders in the community and for sharing the Gospel.

**Andy Hodson** in Stourbridge writes, "Join me in praying at 10:02 every morning for more workers for the harvest, based upon the Lord's Prayer in Luke 10:2."

## 12 SUNDAY

**Lee Marsland** asks, "Please pray for our children's team, as we are looking at two

more workers to join 'Impact', and pray for our evangelism outreach in Oldham and the city centre."

Please pray for the **East Cluster of Counties' evangelists** as they meet today and tomorrow in Cambridge. Please pray that the opportunity to pray and share together is timely for all. **Victor Jack** will be sharing practical advice on managing our time including the physical, mental and spiritual health of the evangelists.

## 13 MONDAY

**Tim & Joy Ayrton** writes, "We thank you for your continued prayers for Number72 in Sudbury. Please pray for our schools team as they spend one day per week at Great Cornard Upper School, engaging with pupils on a one-to-one basis."

## 14 TUESDAY

Please pray for an impact from the 'Walk Through the Bible' lessons with **David Brown** at primary schools in Dudley: St. Mary's (OT with Year 5 & NT with Year 6 on Tuesdays); Straits (OT with Year 5 on Wednesdays); Ridge in Stourbridge (OT with Year 5 on for Thursdays) and St Bartholomew's (OT with Year 5 on Fridays).

## 15 WEDNESDAY

**Steve Loader** (Bristol) asks, "Please pray for a fresh anointing for my ministry to seafarers from around the world. Pray that these men and women who live their lives at sea may discover Christ whilst away from their homes."

## 16 THURSDAY

Please pray for the **Counties Trustees** as they meet today in Chippenham. Pray for God's vision and for there to be vision, clarity and unity in the way forward.

## 17 FRIDAY

**Stephen Gillham** shares, "Praise God for health and strength to enable us to fulfil a very busy programme during 2019. In 2020 we still have much to do and we value prayer for the Lord's help in every situation: in the churches and the schools we visit, the Dorset Postal Bible School and in our contacts with BES Co-ordinators around the world. Thank the Lord for those involved with our various ministries who work so hard and give so much time to maintain God's work."

## 18 SATURDAY

The South West Wales Youth Evangelists Conference takes place in Swansea today where **Mike Thomas** is leading a workshop on 'What to do when you're the only one'. Pray the young people attending will be inspired and encouraged to keep going in their faith and to share the Gospel boldly.

*'He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ—with all boldness and without hindrance!'* Acts 28:31

## 19 SUNDAY

**Andy Jelfs** is speaking at Broomfield Road Evangelical Church, Chelmsford this morning, and Suffolk Road Church, Sudbury on 26 January. Pray that God would speak through Andy at each engagement.

## 20 MONDAY

Today is the start of a season of **Mike Strange** leading Collective Worship in 21 schools.

Please pray for **Will Andrews** and other evangelists attending the FEW Conference (Fellowship of Evangelistic Workers), that they will be fed, encouraged and inspired for future mission (20-22 January).

**The Life exhibition** (below) returns to Belmont Chapel, Exeter today, hosted by the ICE team. Pray that the team are able to build on the schools work they are already doing in this area.



## 21 TUESDAY

**Lionel Clargo** asks for prayer "to have grace and trust as I seek to move on in my life with my wife Mavis now in heaven for the last three years. That, I might know Him in all I do and be a blessing to my family and friends."

## 22 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for the planning of the **Connect Conference** on 'Evangelising your Community ... Growing Churches' from 21–23 February. This is for those who want to see their church grow through evangelism, or exploring the possibility of planting new churches. For more information visit: [www.connect-conference.org](http://www.connect-conference.org)



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## 23 THURSDAY

Pray as **Gordon Curley** prepares for missions in Hampshire next month that involve Holiday Club and a week of evangelism with a team from Tilsley College.

Please pray for **Phil Davies** as he leads a lesson today with year 7's, in a Swansea Comprehensive, entitled 'Question my faith'. Pray for a warm welcome and opportunities to be real and to share the Good News.

## 24 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Miriam Jelfs** who is part of the leadership team at 'Reaching Women

for Christ' weekend conference at Sizewell Hall, Suffolk (24-26 January).

## 25 SATURDAY

**Matt Rich** (Cumbria) shares, "We continue to thank the Lord that He causes people to find us online in such great numbers."

## 26 SUNDAY

**Stephen Gillham** asks, "Please pray for the churches we visit each Sunday. It is increasingly obvious that the number of children who are going to church on a Sunday is decreasing all the time. Although some churches have mid-week activities, overall in our area we seem to be reaching so few children with the Gospel. Please pray for enthusiastic helpers in churches and that the challenge of the next generation might give a real vision that will drive and motivate folks to do all they can in some way or another to reach children."

## 27 MONDAY

**Lee Marsland** (Oldham) writes, "Praise God that a young Muslim lady, in a refuge unit, give her heart to the Lord. We have also seen a few prodigals come home."

## 28 TUESDAY

**Andrew Mugford** is taking assemblies at Plume Academy, Maldon today, tomorrow and Friday this week. He is part of a small chaplaincy team in the school. Please pray these assemblies will open up spiritual conversations with students and staff in the tea time, following the assemblies.

## 29 WEDNESDAY

**Caleb Mathewos**, in South London, asks for prayer for leadership formation and training. May the Lord empower the team to go and make disciples.

## 30 THURSDAY

Tim & Joy Ayrton give thanks for the appointment of our new manager, Rob McNeish, at Number72, Sudbury. Our former manager Louise Bunton and her husband Paul have joined the management team at Sizewell Hall.

## 31 FRIDAY

**Julian & Ella Gutteridge** asks for prayer for more opportunities for dialogue with Muslims and Muslim leaders.

# February 2020

## WHERE ARE COUNTIES

- Life exhibition: Not yet booked, to book contact [Kevin@LifeExpo](mailto:Kevin@LifeExpo)
- GSUS Live:  
Unit One: Pembrokeshire  
Unit Two: Port Talbot, Bridgend & North Devon
- Key to Life: Essex

## 01 SATURDAY

**Andrew & Rachel Mugford** and **Tony & Ruth Hood** are hosting a Family Camp reunion in Ipswich today. The summer camp last year was a great time of relaxation and spiritual refreshment. Please pray that as many families come together again, they will be able to encourage one another in their busy family lives.

Please pray for **Shaun & Livi Almond** as they launch a multi-church teen service today. Pray for quality teaching, music and food. They add, "We've been working with

other churches on this and it should be a blessing to those Christian teens in small churches, and a place they could bring their non-Christian friends."

## 02 SUNDAY

Please pray for **Andy Jelfs** speaking at Crossways Fellowship, Halstead this morning and then at Colchester Evangelical Church in the afternoon.

**Ian Carr** is preaching at Verwood Road Chapel, Three-Legged-Cross, Dorset today. Please pray for the Lord's discernment for Ian as he prepares, and for response from those who hear the message.

## 03 MONDAY

**Phil & Sheila** asks, "Please pray for the TEAM students, **Tom Binding** and **Lizzie Bell**, as they start their GLO Tilsley College placement in Motherwell. Pray they have a great time learning and that we can cope without them! Also, pray for a Kids' club that we are running with **Paul Davies** in Duvant Church, Swansea this week."

## 04 TUESDAY

Please pray for **Janet Hawking** with **GSUS Live** in West Wales. Pray seeds sown will grow and bear fruit: that teens will read their Gideon Bibles and have access to Christian youth groups and lives will be changed.



*'For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword ...'*

Hebrews 4:12



## 05 WEDNESDAY

**Gordon Curley** is hosting the **Life exhibition** along with Western Wards Churches Network in Hampshire. They have previously hosted GSUS Live, please pray for the continued presence in the schools.



**Tim & Joy Ayrton** ask, "Please pray for the courses running this month for children and young people at Number72 in Sudbury. We have children as young as seven and eight looking at issues of bereavement and loss, self esteem and anger management."

## 06 THURSDAY

**Colin Johnson** in Leighton Buzzard shares, "Give thanks for the several new volunteers who want to get involved with befriending through our local **Neighbourhood Chaplains** scheme. Also, for the opportunities during street evangelism."



## 07 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Mike Thomas** and the team from Message Wales as they take the Message Bus into Cardiff West High School today and deliver an RE lesson on 'Forgiveness'.

## 08 SATURDAY

Please pray for the GLO Team students (Gospel Literature Outreach) from, Tilsley College, Motherwell, Scotland visiting **Gordon Curley** for a week of evangelism in Hampshire (8-16 February).

**Tim Cooke** asks for prayer for the "Creation of new iTruth films to reach thousands of young people online, and for the ongoing development of 'Spirit Boost', weekly videos which reach thousands each week."

## 09 SUNDAY

**Paul Davies** is leading a Children & Youth Workers' Network as part of Wales Leadership Forum this month. Paul is organising an online training session with fellow Counties' trainee evangelist, **Shaun Almond**. Pray this network would be effective for uniting Christian ministry in Wales and for Shaun as he delivers the training.

## 10 MONDAY

Please pray for the team in Maldon receiving training on **Key to Life** today. We give thanks for the continued open doors into schools.



**Lee Marsland** asks, "Please pray for our youth ministry (photo below) at Impact Community Church, Oldham, as we roll out various discipleship courses and training opportunities. Also, pray for our 'Resonate' events with various hip hop and worship artists engaging our youth."



## 11 TUESDAY

**Andy Hodson** in Stourbridge asks, "Please pray for the new Life Group, for new people to join and be disciplined and to reach out to neighbours."

## 12 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for **Charles Addoco** and the Core 4 Team of First Priority as they train, pray and support the young people to deepen their faith in the Lord and reach out to their friends in Ilford and Romford.

## 13 THURSDAY

**Julian Gutteridge** in Hull asks, "Please pray we make more contact with Chinese students in order to share the Gospel with them at our English Bible hour."

## 14 FRIDAY

**Jonathan Brain** (Chippenham) writes, "Please pray for clear guidance regarding possible new initiatives."

**Mark Bingham** in Maulden, Bedfordshire asks, "Please pray for the 'Open the Book' team as we go into the local school."



## 15 SATURDAY

Please pray for Counties widows, **Grace Anderson, Jean Campbell, Hettie Hall, Wendy Iliffe, Phyllis Jenkins, Ruby Powell, Betty Saunders & Gladys Whittern**. May God continue to bless

them and give them peace in all situations..

## 16 SUNDAY

**Craig Dowling** asks for prayer today for the 'Valentines Weekend, Message of Love' at Wye Community Church, Ross-on-Wye.

## 17 MONDAY

Please pray for **Paul Davies** as he leads 'Kapow Holiday Club' at Dunvant Christian Fellowship, Swansea during the half term week. Pray that God would change the lives of young and old during the course of the week.

## 18 TUESDAY

Please pray for an elderly man that **Colin Johnson** contacted through community visiting in Leighton Buzzard. He had previously shown a lot of interest in the Bible but has become disinterested.

## 19 WEDNESDAY

**Victor Jack** asks for prayer for the outreach, mentoring and training he is involved with in Bury St Edmunds this month.

## 20 THURSDAY

Pray for **Kim & Jo Hobbs** and their team working to reduce the isolation and loneliness of ex-offenders, people caught in addiction and those suffering mental ill-health. Pray for wisdom from God, His kindness and sufficient resources to offer care and time to support those who might otherwise be forgotten.

## 21 FRIDAY

Please pray for the **Connect Conference** on 'Evangelising your Community ... Growing Churches' from 21–23 February. We are excited to be running this special conference which is for everyone who wants to see their church grow through evangelism, and who are exploring the possibility of planting new churches. Dietrich Schindler, an author and planter of five churches, is the keynote speaker and will be teaching on this vital subject, using his own experiences.



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## 22 SATURDAY

**Mike Strange** asks, "Please pray for God's blessing as we seek to develop the work of the church plant at Meare Community Church in Somerset."

## 23 SUNDAY

Please pray for **David Brown** who is preaching at Allesley Park Evangelical Church, Coventry this morning. Pray that this results in changed lives for Christ.

**Steve Treseder** is speaking at Bethesda Chapel, Rhiwbina, Cardiff today.

## 24 MONDAY

**David Symons** in North Devon asks, "Please pray for our united youth outreach, 'United Generation', this month. Pray for young people to meet with Jesus and be changed."

## 25 TUESDAY

**Andy Hodson** in Stourbridge asks for prayer for a Pancake Outreach Event. Please pray as the Gospel is shared, it is received and falls on good soil.

**Paul Willmott** will be speaking at a 'Pancake Party' at Amblecote Christian Centre, Stourbridge today. This is a

community event, aiming to reach local families and those on the fringe of church.



## 26 WEDNESDAY

**Lionel Clargo** shares, "Praying that new opportunities will come to share the Gospel as I continue to visit contacts made over the last nearly fifty years and my life will honour the Lord in all I do."

## 27 THURSDAY

**Caleb Mathewos** asks, "Please pray for the evangelism and church planting team to advance and multiply our church plant in South London."

## 28 FRIDAY

Pray for **Clive Cornish** as he visits H M Prison Usk each Friday and once a month on a Sunday. May lives be changed by the power of Jesus.

## 29 SATURDAY

**Julian & Ella Gutteridge** share, "Praise God for the exciting opportunity to go to China, at the invitation of a Christian Chinese lecturer from a Beijing University, who used to be a lecturer in a university in Hull. She wanted us to help her in Mission. China was both Mission and holiday for us. China is a police state, so we could not engage with Chinese people directly in public, however, we were able to share the Gospel with her friends and family, (some of whom were members of the Communist Party). I also shared my testimony with a Chinese Police officer who visited, with his fellow officers at the apartment our Chinese friend lives in. This came about because we had to register at the local Police station to give them the address where we were staying. Praise God for this opportunity. We also met with two Chinese students who used to attend our Chinese English Bible study group in Hull. One of them had come to trust in the Lord before she returned to China. It was amazing to see her again and find out what she was doing. Praise God for this open door to visit China."

*“Thank God for the funding from the Arts Council which has enabled us to organise a national tour with Crossfya, reaching hundreds of teenagers with the Good News over the coming months.”*  
Tim Cooke, Oldham

*“Praise God for four baptisms at the beginning of September.”*  
David Symons, Devon

*“We're so thankful for all of the bus sessions that have taken place over the summer months. We've had the opportunity to take The Message buses to new communities and work with new churches around the UK. This summer saw 37 young people respond to the Gospel and get plugged into a local church.”*  
Mike Thomas, Cardiff

*A Neighbourhood Chaplains team leader reported that a lady they had helped with her garden has started attending a church home group. A man they visited had asked for bereavement counselling, and another team cleared ivy blocking someone's front door to help counter their sense of isolation. Praise God for these new Gospel opportunities!*

***Praise be to His  
glorious name  
forever;  
may the whole  
earth be filled with  
His glory.  
Amen and Amen.***

**Psalm 72:19**

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