PRAISE & PRAYER DIARY December 2021 to February 2022

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December

2021

PRAY FOR COUNTIES SCHOOLS RESOURCES:

Please pray for the Life exhibition; GSUS Live and Key to Life as they plan future school visits.

01 WEDNESDAY

Janet Hawking (Pembrokeshire) is teaching the New Testament to Year 6 pupils in a Llanelli Welsh school every Wednesday. Janet asks: "Pray that God will inspire them and touch hearts, releasing hope, faith and trust. Also pray for Alison and Menna, recently trained, and teaching the Old Testament to Year 5's at the same time."

Please pray as **Steve Ellacott** and **David Symons** (Devon) teach at Petroc Christian Union today on the 'Countdown to His Coming - Gabriel talks to Elizabeth & Mary'. Pray for **Phil Davies** as he plans with **Steve & Gwyneth Treseder** to hold 'Christmas Wrapped Up'. Phil asks: "Pray that we can do this in person. We have a recorded programme from last year we can use but would love to see schoolchildren back in Dunvant Gospel Hall and Castelton Chapel, Mumbles, Swansea. We are hoping to do this from 13-16 December."

02 THURSDAY

Gordon Curley (Hampshire), **David Brown** (West Midlands) and **Bob Telford** (Warwickshire) are working with local churches in the north of Moldova, organised by the Moldovan Mission (27 November – 7 December).

Jacquie Bodman (Cornwall) asks: "Please pray for our new after school club, 'Sparks'. Also, for our toddler group, in particular that the parents will engage with the 'God slot'."

'Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!' 2 Corinthians 5:17

03 FRIDAY

Andy Jelfs (Essex) is speaking at '421 Youth Club' at All Saints, Fordham today and next Friday.

Today **Ian Carr** (Dorset) is leading an assembly at Milldown Primary School, Blandford Forum. He asks: "Pray for a freshness in the presentation of the Christmas message, and for the wonder of the incarnation of the Saviour to impact the children."

04 SATURDAY

Please pray for **ETP trainee**, Gabriel Bennett, as he preaches with others in the Cambridgeshire towns of Ely, March, Huntingdon and St. Ives.

05 SUNDAY

Caleb Mathewos (London) asks: "Please pray for our baptism programme today."

Pray for those preaching today: **Stephen Treseder** at Bridgend Gospel Hall's carol service; **Steve Ellacott** at Chagford Gospel Hall, Devon; **Andy Jelfs** (Essex) at Fullbridge Evangelical Church, Maldon and **Ian Carr** at Ebenezer Evangelical Church, Weymouth and Fovant Free Church, Wiltshire. Pray for salvation as the light of the Gospel shines into hearts.

06 MONDAY

Stephen Gillham (Dorset) writes: "Pray for the six schools I am visiting this month to share the meaning of Christmas, and for those who may use my Christmas message on YouTube. Also, pray for the 270 children in the Dorset Postal Bible School who will receive their Christmas lessons this month, that they will understand why Jesus came."

07 TUESDAY

Please pray for **ETP trainee**, Stevie Walker, who is part of a team knocking on doors in the Paignton area to share the Gospel and give out tracts every Tuesday. Also, on Wednesdays Stevie gives out tracts and shares the Gospel in Paignton town centre, or other towns in the area.

08 WEDNESDAY

Andrew Mugford (Essex) is taking Christmas assemblies at Plume Academy in Maldon today, tomorrow and on Friday. He adds: "900 students and the staff will hear the Christmas hope we have as Christians. Please pray the message engages their hearts and minds."

09 THURSDAY



Praise God for Counties' Schools Resources. **Gordon Curley** (Hampshire) reports: "We had a great time on **Key to Life** (see photo above and front page). Our contact in one school was a 'professed atheist', but she could not have been more helpful to us. She even insisted the head teacher of the school sit in and observe a lesson! Please continue to pray for **Key to Life; GSUS Live** and **the Life exhibition**.

10 FRIDAY

Please pray as Will Andrews

(Hertfordshire) starts to take a church in Berkshire through a health check process as part of the Church Revitalization Project. Pray that all involved will know a sense of the guidance of the Holy Spirit as they plan for the future.

Lee Marsland (Greater Manchester) asks: "Please pray for our Big Give Christmas outreach throughout December which includes open airs, a community carol service and a Christmas Day food outreach from our soup kitchen."

11 SATURDAY

Please pray for **Colin Johnson** (Bedfordshire) as he makes door to door

visits on a new housing development in Leighton Buzzard. Also pray for good relationships being built at the Hockliffe Street Baptist Church toddler group.

David & Lindsey Brown ask for prayer for the carol singing and testimony with Bridge Church around Straits estate, Dudley today.



12 SUNDAY

Paul Davies (Swansea) is speaking at the family service at Waterfront Community Church today.

Craig Dowling (Herefordshire) is speaking in person and on Zoom today for Bodenham Christian Church, Hereford. Craig adds: "Also pray for the work with some local homeless guys we are involved with."

Steve Ellacott (Devon) is leading a 'Christmas Special' all-age service with David Symons today at Umberleigh Christian Fellowship, Devon and David Symons also at Roundswell Community Church, Barnstaple.

13 MONDAY

Please pray that the 'Christmas Wrapped Up' programme led by **Stephen & Gwyneth Treseder** and **Phil Davies** will be able to go into schools this week in Castleton and Dunvant. Also, Stephen asks:

"Pray for the work of **Neighbourhood Chaplains** in The Mumbles, Swansea. Some of the volunteers have finished due to family circumstances, moving away or new work commitments."



John Hardwick (above) asks for prayer as he sings and gives a message at a Christmas Tea at Woolpit Room Christian Fellowship, Bury St Edmunds today. Also, pray for a Christmas Primary School tour in Cambridge that John is leading this month, and that the schools will open their doors to this.

14 TUESDAY

Please pray for the **ETP training** on Zoom today. **Bob Telford** is teaching on 'Evangelistic Preaching'.

Tony & Ruth Hood are leading a school assembly today in Barningham, Suffolk. Every Tuesday they run 'SPLAT', an afterschool club at Hopton Primary School, Suffolk.

15 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for **Mark Bingham** as he builds an outreach team for Maidstone Family Church, Kent.

Counties School Steering group are meeting via Zoom today. Please pray for wisdom as they plan the future use of the schools' resources.

16 THURSDAY

Andrew & Rachel Mugford (Essex) share: "Praise God that four members of our online Alpha course want to follow on with an online discussion based on John's Gospel. It has also been encouraging to have one of the group join us in person with his family at church."

17 FRIDAY

Tim Ayrton (Suffolk) shares: "We would value prayer as we seek to identify local families who won't have enough at Christmas time, and that we receive donations for these families in need. Also, please pray for the Christmas services that the Number72 team are involved in."

Victor Jack (Suffolk) asks for prayer for several Christmas events he is involved in.

18 SATURDAY

Paul Willmott (West Midlands) is joining Springs Church, Gornal for a BIG Christmas outreach event today. As well as a hog roast and carols, Paul is presenting the truth of Jesus's birth to the children. Tomorrow Paul is involved in a Christingle service at Amblecote Christian Centre, Stourbridge with local schools and families from the community who have been invited.

ETP trainee Stevie Walker is preaching, giving out tracts and having conversations with people as part of a team in Paignton town centre today.

19 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today: **Mike Strange** at a Christmas all-age service and later a carol service at Meare, Somerset; **Stephen Ellacott** at Bishop Tawton Gospel Hall, Devon carol service; **David Symons** at One Way Church, South Molton; **Martin Korchinsky** at Brinnington Community Church, Stockport community carol service; **David Brown** at Offmore Evangelical, Kidderminster; and **John Hardwick** is leading a Christmas all-age service at Rutland Road Christian Fellowship, Bedford. **Tim Cracknell** (Gloucestershire) is preaching at various Christmas events including a carol service at Cinderford today. Tim adds: "Please pray for the Forest and Wye Community Church as 'One Church: 3 locations' as we seek to make the most of the Christmas season in

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Cinderford. Ross and online."

Kim & Jo Hobbs (Hemel Hempstead) ask: "Please pray for prisoners in this Christmas season. Prison visiting was reduced due to the pandemic and access to rehabilitation programmes, the chapel, the library etc, in prison remains limited. Pray that the Gospel still reaches prisoners and that hope is restored."

21 TUESDAY

Andrew & Rachel Mugford are having a Christmas lunch with their Job Club members at Fullbridge Church, Essex today. Each member will receive a hamper and an invite to their carol service.

22 WEDNESDAY

Jacquie Bodman (Cornwall) writes: "Thank the Lord for two lives saved within two non-Christian families who have started attending church. Also for the box of blessings outreach and the relationships that are now being forged with many businesses in the town through this work."

23 THURSDAY

John Hardwick (Cambridgeshire) is leading a Christmas presentation today at 'Make Lunch' charity to feed hungry children in Royston.

24 FRIDAY

Tony & Ruth Hood (Suffolk) are leading 'Carols in the Car Park' at High Street Chapel Hopton, Diss, Norfolk today.

'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

25 SATURDAY



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!

Please pray for **Ian Carr** (Dorset) who is leading and preaching at the Christmas Day Service at Bulbarrow Christian Fellowship, North Dorset today. This is the first of regular monthly visits. Ian will be speaking at half the planned Sunday meetings for this embryonic church.

26 SUNDAY

Please pray for Counties' evangelists, staff and trustees as they celebrate Jesus' birth this season and spend quality time with family, friends and fellowships.

27 MONDAY



ETP trainee, Keith Baker, asks: "Please pray for more volunteers to come forward so we can begin a **Neighbourhood Chaplins** team. Also please pray as I preach once a month at my church in Kirby."

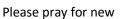
28 TUESDAY

Please pray for **Charles Addoco** as he explores further ways to disciple young people in East London area. Charles is also supporting young couples with online counselling and occasionally in person.

29 WEDNESDAY

Andy Hodson (West Midlands) asks: "Please pray that new families come to Church in the Community Lakeside, Brierley Hill and to start the discipling journey, so that we can continue to plant new communities in the area.

30 THURSDAY



churches that have been planted across the country in the past year, and for **Counties Planting Network** as we seek to support and encourage churches to help them to reach their communities through planting, revitalising and growth.

31 FRIDAY

Give thanks that **Tony & Ruth Hood** are encouraged: "We have managed to restart the youth and children's work in the schools and church. It is great to see the young people in person again after so many months of Zoom calls and filming videos for assemblies and lessons."





Keith Baker



Gabriel Bennett



'Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.' 2 Timothy 2:15

Prayer focus:



PRAY FOR COUNTIES TRAINEES

We are delighted to welcome this year's trainees on the Evangelistic **Training Programme** (ETP). **Please pray for the trainees:**

Keith Baker shares the Gospel when volunteering as a gardener. He has found this is a good way to build relationships in the community. Please pray for doors to open in Kirkby, Merseyside. He has also been delivering the Good News paper to 200 houses with the help of others.

Gabriel Bennett preaches on the Cambridgeshire streets in Ely, March, Huntingdon and St. Ives. He adds: "Praise God for Dee who I met during an Open-Air in St. Ives. She is a former Roman Catholic and has attended my church a few times now."

Stevie Walker has been given new opportunities to preach and goes out each week into the town of Paignton to hand out Gospel tracts. He asks: "Pray I will know what the Lord wants me to say with every encounter."

We would also welcome prayer for our **Training in Evangelism and Mission** (TEAM) programme. The recruitment of young people between 18-25 years of age has been difficult post-Covid, therefore, please pray for the September intake of 2022, that students will join us. For more information see www.counties-training.org

Stevie Walker

January 2022 PRAY FOR COUNTIES SCHOOLS RESOURCES:

Please pray that the Life exhibition; GSUS Live and Key to Life will be able to visit the schools that they had to cancel due to Covid.

01 SATURDAY

Kevin Baldwin, the Life exhibition Coordinator, shares: "Today we are heading to Exeter to spend the week with ICE Exeter who are running the Life exhibition.

Tim Ayrton (Suffolk) writes: "Christmas can be a difficult time for some families and the New Year is when we get to hear from those who have pain and heartache. Pray for us as we seek to bring comfort and peace to those who feel they have no hope, including those suffering domestic violence, financial hardship, anxiety about illness or family issues."

02 SUNDAY

Andrew & Rachel Mugford (Essex) are leading and speaking at Fullbridge Evangelical Church, Maldon today.

Others preaching today include: Stephen Gillham at Bere Regis Chapel, Dorset; David Brown at Offmore Evangelical Church, Kidderminster and Colin Johnson at Langdale Church, Dunstable.

03 MONDAY

Stephen & Gwyneth Treseder (Swansea) ask: "Pray for guidance for the work among toddlers, children and youth in Castleton, Mumbles. Also pray we may be able to physically visit schools which have been closed to visitors because of Covid."

04 TUFSDAY

Every Tuesday lunch time Steve Ellacott is leading a lunchtime Bible class at Kingsley School, North Devon. Also pray as Steve and David Symons lead a lunchtime session at Petroc CU, Devon tomorrow.

Please pray as David Brown leads 'Walk Through the Bible' lessons at Primary Schools in Dudley this month at St. Mary's CE, Kingswinford every Tuesday and at Straits School every Wednesday.

05 WEDNESDAY

Tony & Ruth Hood (Suffolk) lead assemblies at Hopton Primary School on Wednesday mornings. Please also pray as they lead High Street Kids and Ignite Youth groups at HSC Hopton on Friday evenings and SPLAT after-school clubs in Barningham Primary, Hopton Primary and Walsham Primary during the week.

Pray for Phil Davies (Swansea)



working with Glyn Davies today as they start the new GSUS Live outreach in four schools in the Swansea and Carmarthen area. Pray the new equipment will work well and for responsive hearts among the children and staff.

06 THURSDAY

The Neighbourhood Chaplains steering group are meeting today. Please pray for clarity for the way forward.

Kim & Jo Hobbs (Hemel Hempstead) share: "This month we are starting a weekly addiction recovery event, led by Kim and two recovering alcoholics whose lives are radically changed by God. Pray that people will come and find hope and they will trust in Jesus to save them."



07 FRIDAY

ETP trainee, Gabriel Bennett shares: "Praise God for an encouraging week with the Open Air Mission in Norfolk and Suffolk. There were nine street meetings; 90 Gospel messages; twelve team members; about 50 New Testaments and 900 tracts given out; and 450 conversations took place."

08 SATURDAY

Tim Cracknell (Gloucestershire) asks: "Please pray for a pre-Alpha course called 'Resolve', this is a follow up to those who came to our Christmas services."

09 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today including: **Andy Jelfs** at Crossways Church Halstead, Essex; **Stephen Gillham** at Charminster Chapel, Bournemouth and **Steve Ellacott** and **David Symons** at Umberleigh Christian Fellowship, Devon for their all-age service.

Jacquie Bodman (Cornwall) asks: "Please pray for our new family tea time café church."

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Andy Hodson (West Midlands) writes: "Please pray for the Engage Missional Training, as we train missionaries and workers in the city for church planting and discipleship this week. This is at our training centre on Broad Street, Birmingham."

Gordon Curley (Hampshire) is leading an assembly at Park Gate Primary School, Southampton today. Tomorrow Gordon will be taking an assembly at Sarisbury Junior School, Southampton.

11 TUESDAY

Paul Davies (Swansea) asks: "Pray as the children's and youth work restarts in Pontardawe, Wales, that God would continue to strengthen the group and reach more families with the Gospel."

12 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for **Charles Addoco** as he leads the discipleship teaching sessions at Christ's Forgiveness Ministries in Barking.

Please pray for the assemblies that **Phil Davies** (Swansea) is leading today in two local schools. Pray that they will go well, either in person or online.

13 THURSDAY

Please pray for the **Counties trustees** as they meet today. Pray for fresh vision for the coming year.

Beverley Bedford, Counties



Training Officer, asks: "Please pray for the **Neighbourhood Chaplains** 'Inform and Inspire' event today. Pray that churches will sign up to use this initiative as a tool to engage with their community."

Ian Carr is involved at Sturminster Newton High School, Dorset today as Chaplain. Please pray for the Lord to guide him to students needing support and encouragement, and for wisdom as he speaks with them and others he regularly mentors.

'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.' Hebrews 13:8

14 Friday

Janet Hawking (Pembrokeshire) and her team are teaching the New and Old Testament today in two Llanelli schools in Wales. Pray for safe travelling, a strong clear voice and the anointing of the Holy Spirit to meet individual needs, and for the staff.

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15 SATURDAY

Will & Lynne Andrews (Hertfordshire) are encouraged to have three new people attend their monthly 'First Tuesday' event. This is no longer on Zoom, but face to face and in a new venue. They had witnessed to one couple during the first lockdown, who have now started to attend a local church.

16 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today: **David Symons** at Dolton Baptist, Devon; **Mike Strange** at an all-age service at Rosemary Lane Chapel, Devon; **Phil Davies** at Crindau Christian Fellowship, Newport at their family service. Pray for open hearts and the work of God in peoples lives.

The Counties Eastern Cluster meet in the South Cambridge area today and tomorrow to pray for one another. **Andrew & Rachel Mugford** (Essex) lead this group and add: "We hope to explore how, as evangelists, we can engage and support those struggling with bereavement and loss with the Gospel."

faith meaning

Reflect Community Church Starts January 20th 7-9pm Sign up by message via social media or email reflectcommunitychurch reflectely@gmail.com

Alpha

17 MONDAY

Please pray for **Clive Cornish** (Cardiff) and the team at Reflect Community Church as they prepare to lead an Alpha course (see advert above).

18 TUESDAY

Colin Johnson asks: "Please pray for the Leighton Buzzard **Neighbourhood Chaplains** team, for the protection of the team and for new members to join."

Lee Marsland (Greater Manchester) asks: "Please pray that our new Bible study groups, running twice a month, are well attended. Also pray for our youth team as they embark on new discipleship courses with our young people."

19 WEDNESDAY

Ian Carr is leading assemblies at Archbishop Wake Primary School, Blandford Forum, and at Okeford Fitzpaine Primary School today. Ian asks: "Please pray that the children will be good soil for the sowing of the Gospel seed, and that life and fruit will result, whether now or in later years."

20 THURSDAY

Please pray for **Counties' Training Development Group** meeting today. Please pray for their time together as the seek to review and lead Counties' training programmes and initiatives, and encourage training across UK churches.



21 FRIDAY

Paul Willmott (West Midlands) gives thanks for being able to go into schools again after a long period of Covid restrictions. He writes: "The hall was full and I was able to share one of Jesus' parables."

22 SATURDAY

Please pray for John Hardwick

(Cambridgeshire) as he films more videos. He comments: "My Youtube channel averages 5,000 views each month."

23 SUNDAY

Craig Dowling asks: "Pray for new links being made with churches, charities and organisations across Hereford. I am also preaching today at Offmore Church, Kidderminster, in person and on Zoom.

Others preaching today include: **Stephen Gillham** at Manvers Hall, Bath and Speedwell Chapel, Bristol; **David Symons** at South Street Braunton, Devon; **Andy Jelfs** speaking on Zoom for Norrey's Chapel, Wokingham and **Ian Carr** at New Farm Chapel, Alresford. Pray for unbelievers to be impacted through the proclamation of the Gospel, and for believers to be encouraged in their faith.

24 MONDAY

Pray for wisdom and guidance for **ETP trainee** Keith Baker and the work in Kirkby, for new doors to open and inspiration for new ideas to share the Gospel. Also pray that Keith will be able to make more contacts with other local churches.

25 TUESDAY

Paul Willmott (West Midlands) is leading the training in children's ministry for the **Evangelist Training Programme** today. Paul asks: "Please pray that it will be a great time and good principles taken on board."

26 WEDNESDAY

ETP trainee Gabriel Bennett asks for prayer for good weather so that he, and others in the team, can go out to preach in the following town centres: Ely, March, Huntingdon, St. Ives.

27 THURSDAY

Tim Cracknell shares regarding recent M4 training: "Praise the Lord that nine teams of church planters were able to meet for an inspiring time in Birmingham for the first in person meeting since the pandemic."

28 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Ruth Hood** who mentors in Stowmarket Primary School, Suffolk on Friday afternoons. Ruth will also be catering at Sizewell Hall, Suffolk for Felixstowe Church this month.

29 SATURDAY

Please pray for more opportunities and inventive ways for **Julian Gutteridge** (Hull) to share the Gospel with Muslims.

30 SUNDAY

Please pray for **Mark Bingham** as he preaches at Ashford Community Church, Kent today.

Please pray for **Stephen Gillham** as he preaches at Velmore Chapel, Chandler's Ford, Hampshire today.

31 MONDAY

Will Andrews (Hertfordshire) has an appointment at the Royal Free Hospital, London today to find out the results and outcomes of his year of cancer treatment. Pray that the growth rate of the tumours will have been impacted, as there is no on-going treatment available.

February

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PRAY FOR COUNTIES SCHOOLS RESOURCES:

Please pray that schools will welcome Counties' schools resources to share about Jesus.

01 TUESDAY

Paul Willmott is leading assemblies at St Lukes and Tenacres First Schools in Redditch today. Please pray for these visits as Paul works with South Crest Church to strengthen relationships with local schools.

Please pray for **Victor Jack** as he leads Bible studies for Woolpit Christian Fellowship, Suffolk for the next four Tuesdays.

Today **Ian Carr** (Dorset) is involved with chaplaincy work at Sturminster Newton High School, and in leading an assembly at Shillingstone Primary School. Please pray for additional God-given opportunities with students and staff to present Christ.

02 WEDNESDAY

Colin Johnson (Bedfordshire) asks: "Please pray that the relationships I have made through social media outreach would develop. Also, pray for the distribution of the Good News papers at Leighton Buzzard and Dunstable markets."

03 THURSDAY

Kevin Baldwin, the Life exhibition Coordinator, writes: "February sees us returning to both St Phillips and St Matthews churches in Wolverhampton where the Life exhibition will be hosted by a number of churches working together to bring the Gospel to Yea5 and Yea6 pupils in local schools."

Paul & Laura Davies (Swansea) ask for prayer for the safe arrival of their third child this month.

04 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Matt Rich** (Cumbria) as he leads the Christian website ChatNow.org that provides hope and encouragement online. Matt shares: "Praise God for the opportunity to help a church leader whose marriage was falling apart - he felt unable to talk anywhere else."

05 SATURDAY

Stephen Gillham (Dorset) asks: "Please pray for the on-going work of Bible Educational Services, and the use of Bibletime materials, not only in this country but also internationally in over 60 countries."

'Yet to all who did receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God ...' John 1:12

06 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today: **Mike Strange** at St Cleers Chapel, Somerton, Somerset; **David Brown** at Offmore Evangelical Church, Kidderminster; **Andy Jelfs** at Frinton Gospel Chapel, Essex; **Phil Davies** at Aultbea Free Church and later at Poolewe Free Church in Scotland. Also pray that Phil & Sheila will have a good time with Sheila's parents as they spend this weekend away with them.



07 MONDAY

Andy Hodson (West Midlands) asks for prayer: "For the coalition of Engage West Midlands, as we continue to train, disciple and encourage churches and planters to start new works across the city among all people groups: mono ethnic, intercultural and resource churches."

Please pray for **David Brown** as he hosts **the Life exhibition** at St.



Philip's Church, Wolverhampton this week.

08 TUESDAY

Craig Dowling (Herefordshire) would value prayers as he works closely with two people who are homeless and have addictions.

09 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for **Tony & Ruth Hood** as they continue leading assemblies at Hopton Primary School, Suffolk on Wednesday mornings. Also pray for the SPLAT afterschool clubs at Barningham Primary, Hopton Primary and Walsham Primary throughout the week.

10 THURSDAY

Charles Addoco would value your prayers as he seeks ways to support the leadership team of Christ's Forgiveness Ministries in London, to help them to focus on what God has called them to accomplish.

11 FRIDAY

Lee Marsland (Greater Manchester) asks: "Please pray for doors to be open so that strong relationships can be built through networking with other evangelists and church leaders so we can partner with the Gospel."

12 SATURDAY

Mark Bingham (Kent) writes: "Praise God for a Polish man we met and shared the Gospel with, and who then gave his life to Jesus."

Kim & Jo Hobbs (Hemel Hempstead) share: "We are blessed that the prison Debate Club we set up has proved so successful that the prison is interested in expanding this, and other programmes, for prisoner rehabilitation."

13 SUNDAY

Tim Cracknell asks: "Please pray for the development of the church replant in Ross-on-Wye as we move towards the next more public phase."

Please pray those preaching today including **David Brown** at Allesley Park Evangelical Church, Coventry; **Victor Jack** at New Life Church, Sudbury; **Andy Jelfs** at Oakwood Chapel, Harlow; **Steve Ellacott** at Umberleigh Christian Fellowship, Devon and **Ian Carr** at Brewham Baptist Chapel, Somerset. Pray for freshness in communication and that the Holy Spirit will be at work bringing people to faith in the Lord Jesus, and that believers will be encouraged through meeting together to hear God's Word.

14 MONDAY

Andrew & Rachel Mugford are at Plume Academy, Maldon, Essex today. They are delivering a course on resilience to Years 7, 8 and 9 students and would value prayer that they may discern the challenges that the students have as they use this Christian-based material.

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15 TUESDAY

Steve Ellacott (Devon) reports: "Praise God for an excellent response to the first monthly all-age services at Umberleigh Christian Fellowship. Over double the amount of people that usually come attended. Also, twenty young people attended the new season of Bideford youth meetings. Several who were recently baptised brought along friends."

16 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for planning that **Tim Ayrton** and team are doing in preparation for **the Life exhibition's** visit to Sudbury, Suffolk in March 2022. Tim writes: "Please pray that it will all come together well and that the Lord's name will be glorified. Also, pray for the staffing needs at Number72, that we have adequate staff cover for the various activities taking place."

Ian Carr is leading assemblies at Child Okeford Primary School, Wimborne St. Giles First School, and Archbishop Wake Primary School, Blandford Forum, today. Pray for eyes and hearts to be opened by the Holy Spirit as Ian shares with children a message from the Bible.

17 THURSDAY

David Symons asks: "Please pray for the Thursday afternoons outreach, door to door and street evangelism in various locations across North Devon with my two apprentice evangelists, Alex and Travis."

18 FRIDAY

GSUS Live is in mid-Essex from today and going into local schools, starting at Maldon. Please pray for the arrangements of timetables and presenters. **Andrew Mugford** is co-ordinating across the schools to maximise the contact students have with this amazing resource.

19 SATURDAY

Pray that many seeds will be planted for Christ, which will reach across the globe, as **Steve Loader** visits ships at Portbury and Avonmouth Docks in Bristol.

20 SUNDAY

Janet Hawking (Pembrokeshire) is leading the family service at Cilgerran, Church of Wales today. Janet explains: "This is a new venture to reach out to families in this rural village. Please pray that young people who enjoy the weekly assemblies in school will cross the threshold of church and find Jesus." **Stephen Treseder** (Swansea) is preaching at Neath Gospel Hall today; **Andy Jelfs** is at Fullbridge Evangelical Church, Maldon, Essex and **John Hardwick** is leading the Messy Church in Royston Methodist, Hertfordshire.

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Please pray for Gordon Curley

(Hampshire) who is running a holiday club at Swanfield Chapel, Chichester this week (21-25 February).

Pray for **Phil Davies** (Swansea) as he leads a kids club in Dunvant or Gowerton this week. Pray for new children to come and for contact made with local families.

Beverley Bedford, Counties Training Officer asks: "Please pray for the **Neighbourhood**



Chaplain's online training events planned for today and next Monday. Pray that the trained church volunteers will go out and share the Good News on their streets."

22 TUESDAY

Please pray as **John Hardwick** leads a holiday club at St John's Church, Woodbridge, Suffolk from today (22-25 February).

23 WEDNESDAY



Jacquie Bodman (Cornwall) asks: "Please pray for our Neighbourhood Chaplains team as we engage more with our community."

24 THURSDAY



Please pray as **ETP trainee**, Gabriel Bennett works as part of a team to share the Good News on the streets in Cambridgeshire. The two young girls (pictured above) listened to how one of the team came to faith and both accepted New Testaments.

25 FRIDAY

Pray for the connections that **Mark Bingham** has made with the churches in Maidstone and Kent, that he will be able to help them to train and equip their congregations.

26 SATURDAY

Kim & Jo Hobbs (Hemel Hempstead) ask: "Please remember to pray for the homeless this winter. Some don't live on the streets but nevertheless they have no home and must daily negotiate with mates for a bed. Such arrangements are often harmful; drinking and drugs are commonly available. Pray they find a permanent home and accept help for a better future."

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40

27 SUNDAY

Please pray for Counties widows, Grace Anderson, Madelene Bathgate, Jean Campbell, Hettie Hall, Wendy Iliffe, Phyllis Jenkins, Betty Saunders & Gladys Whittern. Pray for good health and the Lord's peace in all situations.

28 MONDAY

Andy Hodson (West Midlands) shares: "We have changed the format for our Sunday gathering at Church in the Community Lakeside, to a more informal style. As a result there have been so many more of the church who have taken part. Many have shared more in a month than in previous years! It is great to see the church sharing their lives and faith more openly. Also I helped a young church planter from London to start a church in Birmingham for new arrivals who had left Hong Kong recently. Many of them don't yet know Christ, but they need friendship. The group is growing and already over 30 people are coming. Each week they are hearing the Gospel and engaging in singing songs of worship. Please pray for this, that these dear friends will know Christ and that we can multiply this church as they come to faith."

"Praise God for the opportunity to lead a Children's & Youth Workers Network for the Wales Leadership Forum." Paul Davies, Swansea

"Give thanks for the privilege I had to train others to teach in Junior Schools, also for the 200 Bibles delivered to schools, with more to follow." Janet Hawking, Pembrokeshire

"Praise God for the seven young people who are going through classes towards their baptism." Charles Addoco, Essex

"Give thanks for the 150+ in-person assemblies booked so far in local schools for this academic year, and for the enthusiasm of head-teachers and children in welcoming the recommencement of these opportunities to hear the message of the Bible presented and explained."

lan Carr, Dorset

"Praise God that we are receiving referrals from new contacts in the local area." Tim Ayrton, Suffolk 'Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.' Psalm 118:1

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