

PRAISE & PRAYER DIARY

March to May 2024



The Life exhibition



March 2024

PRAY FOR COUNTIES' SCHOOLS RESOURCES:

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

01 FRIDAY

Please pray for the **One2Lead** young people's training weekend at Tintagel, Cornwall (1-3 March). **David Symons** writes: "Pray for all who are involved from the South West as we invest in the young people attending." David is leading with **Stephen Ellacott, Alex Symons** and **Dave Thomas**.

Stephen Gillham (Dorset) would value prayer as he travels to the **Bible Educational Service** (BES) trustees meeting today. He asks: "Pray for wisdom as I step down after many years, and hand over my responsibilities to other trustees and staff."

02 SATURDAY

Pray for **Jordan & Lucy Armstrong** (West Midlands) as they start a pre-marital course with a couple at the church today.

03 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at Frinton-on-Sea Gospel Chapel, Essex; **Stephen Gillham** at Verwood Road Evangelical Chapel, Three Legged Cross, Dorset; **Paul Willmott** at a family service at Penn Christian Centre, Wolverhampton; **Mark Bingham** at Appleyards Church, Horsham. Pray that God will give them the right message for the churches they visit.

Simon Ladd, Counties Regional Connector, writes: "I'm sharing the preaching at Brockley today, with a young man called Jack. I have been meeting with him for a while and he has the potential as a future preacher."

04 MONDAY

Kevin Baldwin, the Life exhibition coordinator writes: "March sees the busiest time so far for **the Life exhibition** as we now have two units on the road." Pray for one unit at St John the Baptist



Church, Pewsey, Wiltshire and the other at Hebron Church, Stockton-on-Tees (4-8 March).

Gordon & Penny Curley are hosting a Counties report evening at Duncan Road Church, Southampton.

05 TUESDAY

Please pray for **Will & Lynne Andrews** as they lead 'First Tuesday', a fellowship group in Stevenage today. Also, pray as Will starts new cancer treatment this month. They ask: "Please pray for God's wisdom and guidance as we, and the doctors, make important decisions."

Phil Davies asks: "Please pray for our 'Friends & Neighbours' outreach in Dunvant Church, Swansea each month. 30-40 local people gather for a quiz, refreshments and a thought for the month."

Janet Hawking is teaching 'Walk through the Bible' lessons every Tuesday in North Pembrokeshire. Janet asks: "Pray the children will be touched by the truth of the cross this Easter."

Also, **Stephen Ellacott** (Devon) is taking an assembly at Kingsley prep-school today.

06 WEDNESDAY

Steve Cowles is speaking about Counties and his work with police officers today at Steep Turnpike Evangelical Church, Lancashire. He also writes: "I have three outdoor team building days for police officers this month. Taking 25 police officers at a time, I talk to them about many areas of their lives and about my faith in Jesus Christ. I talk about being lost and found, and explain that He is my compass. I also ask if I can pray for them. I have taken over 850 police out over the years and only had one officer who didn't want to be prayed for."

Paul Willmott (West Midlands) is leading Easter workshops today with Tipton Green Junior School on the theme of, 'Did God intend the Easter story to happen?'

07 THURSDAY

Please pray for **John Hardwick** (Cambridgeshire) who is rehearsing and starting schools' Easter Tour this month. He adds: "I will also lead worship in my church, lead singing in our weekly Ark parent and toddler meeting, and I am on the rota for the Sunday school."

08 FRIDAY



Praise God that there has been a great demand for **the Life exhibition**, resulting in a second unit! Many more primary school children will be able to visit this multi-media experience to learn about the story of Jesus' teaching, parables and miracles.

Please pray for **the Life exhibition Coordinator, Kevin Baldwin** as he

adjusts to a busier diary. Pray for the church volunteers who host the visits, that they will be encouraged by these opportunities to engage with the staff and children. Also, pray lives will be impacted by knowing Jesus.



09 SATURDAY

Beth Symons (Devon) writes: "Praise God that we completed our first 'toddler group mums' Alpha course." Pray that those who attended will choose to follow Jesus.

10 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at Capel St Mary Methodist Church, Suffolk; **Stephen Gillham** at New Farm Chapel, Alresford, Hampshire; **Alex Symons** South Molten Gospel Hall, Devon; **David Brown** at King's Road Chapel, West Midlands; **Stevie Walker** at Galampton Evangelical Church, Somerset; **David Brown** at King's Road Chapel, Rushall; **Mike Strange** is leading a Mothering Sunday café church at Sladebrook Evangelical Church, Bath.

Stephen Loader asks: "Pray that God will provide divine appointments on the many ships that I visit. Pray that the Holy Spirit will cut through religion to reveal the Good News of the Gospel." Stephen is also preaching at Ashton Vale Church, Bristol today and at Welton Baptist in Midsomer Norton tomorrow.

11 MONDAY

Pray for **the Life exhibition** at Calne Free Church, Wiltshire (11-15 March).

Stephen Ellacott leads the Christian Union at West Buckland School, Devon where 25 students are doing Youth Alpha.

John Jenkins, Counties Regional

Connector, asks: "Pray for a mission week at Journey Church, Harrow. The church is gathering a local team and hosting a team from the US." Pray for conversions and for discipleship (11-15 March).

12 TUESDAY

Please pray for **Paul Davies** as he visits schools for Easter assemblies and lessons. Also, he and a team from Swansea will be visiting a local comprehensive school to present a Year 9 lesson called 'CSI Jerusalem', on the evidence for the resurrection.

13 WEDNESDAY

Paul Willmott (West Midlands) is leading Easter assemblies in Straits Primary (with St Andrews Church); Hawbush Primary (with Amblecote Community Church) and Annie Lennard Primary (with Bearwood Chapel) today.



Pray for **Jonathan & Heather Brain** as they undertake prayer outreach in Chippenham, Wiltshire every Wednesday. They also spend time engaging with people in coffee shops.

Pray for **David Brown** (West Midlands) as he leads 'Walk through the Bible' lessons throughout the month.

14 THURSDAY

Pray for the **Neighbourhood Chaplains** Inform & Inspire Zoom session this evening. Pray that attendees will be inspired to find out how the scheme could change the outreach effectiveness of their church. See Counties' website for more details.

15 FRIDAY

Please pray for the launch of **One2Lead** East led by **Andy & Rachel Mugford, Tony & Ruth Hood**, Mike & Lydia Richardson and Rich & Pam Harknet, supported by **Dave Thomas**. Pray the young people will grow in their faith (15-17 March).

Stevie Walker (Devon) is engaged in open air preaching in Newton Abbot today, and in Paignton town centre tomorrow.



16 SATURDAY

Victor **Jack** is speaking after a dinner in Chelmondiston, Suffolk today.

17 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at Westcliff Free Church, Essex; **Steve Treseder** at Pantyffynon Gospel Hall, Wales; **Stephen Gillham** at Manvers Hall, Bath; **Will Andrews** at Cornerstone Church, St. Albans; **Stephen Loader** at Cromhall Chapel, Gloucestershire.

18 MONDAY

Pray for the **GSUS Live** training in Gosport today, led by **Dave Thomas**. Pray for all the young people in lessons, that their lives will be impacted by Jesus.

Pray for **the Life exhibition** at St Paul's Church, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria (18-22 March).

Stephen & Gwyneth Treseder ask: "Please pray for us, and **Phil Davies**, as seven schools return to Castleton, Mumbles and Duvant Christian Fellowship, Swansea for the 'Easter Cracked' programme (18-21 March)."



19 TUESDAY

Martin Korchinsky (Greater Manchester) shares: "Praise God for some great times of worship in care homes." Pray for more opportunities to reach out in this way.

20 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for the **Counties' trustees** as they meet today and tomorrow to make decisions about the future of Counties.

Pray for **Colin Johnson** (Bedfordshire) as he plans to run an online 'Wellbeing Journey' course on Wednesday evenings. This course looks at different areas of wellbeing, including spiritual wellbeing.

21 THURSDAY

Will Andrews is speaking at an Easter café church at Grange Baptist Church, Letchworth today.

John Jenkins, Counties' Regional Connector, writes: "Please pray for a 'Micro Church Planting' workshop, where many who attend will be from London Hub churches (21-23 March).

22 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Charles Addoco** as he seeks to mobilise the youth in Essex and East London area, for cross-cultural missions in the UK and Europe.

Pray for **Phil Davies** as he leads a marriage service of Becca and her husband Sam. Phil writes: "Becca joined a kids club outreach in an after-school club 20 years ago and subsequently came to faith through Alpha and is now a youth worker in a church in Bangor, North Wales. Pray the Lord would use this couple in service for Him as well as bless their marriage."

23 SATURDAY

Please pray for **Paul Davies** and a team of local Swansea church and youth leaders as they host 'Rooted', a united youth meeting. This month's meeting is with Slavo, a former mafia boss who turned to Christ. Also, pray for Paul and Hope Church as they host an Easter Egg Hunt followed by a 'Holiday-Club' style programme to further links in the community and share the Gospel with families.

24 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Stephen Loader** at Sladebrook Church, Bath; **Stephen Ellacott** teaching young people at Central Church Bideford, Devon and later at South Molton Gospel Hall; **David Brown** at Allesley Park Evangelical Church, Coventry; **Stephen Gillham** at West Camel Church, Somerset; **Stevie Walker** leading an all-age service at Great Parks Chapel, Devon; **Ian Carr** at Broadstone Baptist Church, Dorset. Please pray for Spirit-filled words, and for any as yet without Christ to come to faith in Him, and for believers to be encouraged in their walk with the Lord.

He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to all creation." Mark 16:15

25 MONDAY

Jordan Armstrong (West Midlands) is helping to lead outreach events across Holy Week. He asks: "Please pray for open hearts in the community to receive the Good News of the Gospel as we present it in a range of formats."

*He is not here;
He has risen,
just as He said.'*

Matthew 28:6



26 TUESDAY

Lee Marsland (Greater Manchester) asks: "Please pray for the 'Lighthouse', a facility which provides food, support and fellowship to those in need every Tuesday evening. Also, pray for our street outreach every last Saturday of the month."

Neighbourhood Chaplains RUN session is on Zoom this evening. There will be an opportunity to go through the seven best practices of Neighbourhood Chaplaincy.

27 WEDNESDAY

Praise God for the connections **Jacquie Bodman** (Cornwall) continues to make in her community. Please pray God will open up fresh opportunities to share the Gospel.

28 THURSDAY

Please pray for **Stevie Walker** (Devon) who has organised an Easter social today at a local retirement complex to include a Gospel message.

Ian Carr is giving a brief Easter message at the end of term assemblies at Sturminster Newton High School this morning. Please pray that what is spoken and heard will root deeply in hearts and minds, and bring salvation.

Andrew Conlan, Counties Regional Connector, shares: "Abbey Church **Neighbourhood Chaplains** are running the County Council Holiday Activity Food Programme, for children on free school meals, at Heron School, Gloucester today. There will be up to 100 children and

guardians and the day includes food, games, crafts and an Easter talk. Pray for our growing connections with these families and a positive response to invites to the Easter service."

29 GOOD FRIDAY

Please pray for the Good Friday outreach **Jordan Armstrong** (West Midlands) is leading today. This is a community event, sharing the Gospel this afternoon.

30 SATURDAY

Mark Bingham shares:

"Praise God for helping us to set up **Neighbourhood Chaplains** in Chatham." Pray the team will have opportunities to share the Gospel. Mark adds: "God has truly been opening doors, especially through our street outreach. It is heartwarming to see the impact we are making."



31 EASTER SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Victor Jack** at Westley Community Church, Bury St Edmunds; and **Will Andrews** at Bunyan Baptist Church, Stevenage.

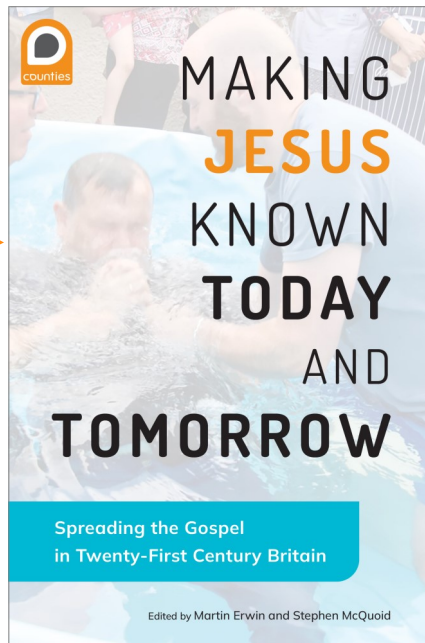
125th Anniversary 1899 - 2024

Our new book shares our stories and personal experiences, applying biblical wisdom. We hope this will help your local church grow by making Jesus known. →



Help us to spread the word about the work of Counties by handing out 'This is Counties'. ←

Help us celebrate what God has done, is doing and could do through the work of Counties!



For **more information about the book** go to countiesuk.org
For **copies of 'This is Counties'** email office@countiesuk.org
or phone the Counties office: 01373 823 013.

Prayer focus:

PRAY FOR COUNTIES

As Counties celebrates **125 years**, we give thanks to God for what He has done through the work of Counties, what He is doing, and also look forward to what God could do!

We hope that you will join us in regional celebrations as we continue to raise a banner for the Gospel, seeking to inspire and equip God's people. Events will be advertised on our website, in Enews and Ignite throughout the year.

Regional celebration dates confirmed so far:

- * **29 & 30 June** in Gloucestershire;
- * **2 & 3 November** in Suffolk/Essex.

See countiesuk.org for details.

Please pray:

- that people will read the book and be inspired and feel equipped to share the Gospel in their communities;
- for the evangelists who are planning celebrations, that their plans run smoothly;
- that God will continue to bless and lead the work of Counties.

Keep an eye out for regional celebrations in your area!



April 2024

PRAY FOR COUNTIES' SCHOOLS RESOURCES:

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

01 EASTER MONDAY

Stephen Gillham (Dorset) shares: "This week is designated to sending out Dorset Postal Bible School lessons to 280 children. Please pray for the children as they study the Easter story, that it might help them understand what Christ has done for them." (1-5 April).

02 TUESDAY

John Hardwick is leading the upfront teaching times at Eden Baptist Holiday Club in Cambridge (2-5 April).

Gordon & Penny Curley are leading a holiday club at Duncan Road Church, Southampton (2-5 April).

03 WEDNESDAY

Please pray for **Steve Cowles** (Lancashire) as he follows up with those who took part in a Christianity Explored course he led in February.

04 THURSDAY



Colin Johnson writes: "Please pray for the community visiting planned for this month in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard. Please also pray for the market outreach I do, distributing the Good News evangelistic paper in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard."

05 FRIDAY

Give thanks for the opportunities that **Janet Hawking** has in Pembrokeshire schools. She reports: "In one school nearly half of the 10-11 year olds had never owned a Bible. They each left the assembly with one, and one pupil exclaimed: "Thank you! I have always wanted one!"

06 SATURDAY

Please pray for the Easter outreach **Lee Marsland** (Greater Manchester) is engaged with throughout this month.

Pray for **Caleb Mathewos** (London) as he encourages members of his multicultural church to invite friends, family and non believers to a meal and get together.

07 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at New Life Church, Great Cornard; **Will Andrews** at Little Wymondley Baptist Church, North Hertfordshire; **Stephen Gillham** at Charminster Chapel, Bournemouth and Drummond Hall, Boscombe; **Stephen Loader** at Southfield Church, Nailsea; **Ian Carr** at an all-age service at Ebenezer Evangelical Church, Weymouth. Ian adds: "Pray for the Lord to give just the right message and words for everyone from small children to elderly people."

Pray for **Phil & Sheila Davies** as they minister in Penn Christian Centre, Wolverhampton today. They write: "Penn was a Fellowship we helped lead during our Operation Mobilisation days."

08 MONDAY

John Hardwick is leading the upfront teaching times at Kiln Evangelical Church Holiday Club (8-11 April).



Dave Thomas, GSUS Live Coordinator, asks: “**GSUS Live** is with Birmingham City Mission today. Please pray for the team leading the lessons, and for all the young people who will be going through the lessons on fear, forgiveness and rejection.

Every Monday **Stevie Walker** helps at Pulse kids club at Great Parks Chapel, Devon. Every Tuesday he does door-to-door work around Paignton, and on Wednesdays: outreach in Paignton followed by coffee morning at Gerston Chapel, then outreach in Totnes town centre with Totnes Gospel Hall.

09 TUESDAY

Andy Jelfs is speaking at Bradfield St George, Suffolk today.

Paul Willmott is visiting Tenacres First, Oak Hill First and St Lukes First schools on behalf of Southcrest Church, Redditch.

Jordan Armstrong (West Midlands) asks: “Pray that the attendees of our recent Alpha course will be open to engage with Life Groups on Tuesday evenings.”

10 WEDNESDAY

Jordan Armstrong asks: “Please pray for openness at The Ridge Primary School in West Midlands, as I look to build a stronger relationship. I’m thankful for the work **David Brown** has been doing there already and invited us to partner in.”

John Jenkins, Counties’ Regional Connector, asks: “Please pray that God would identify a church planter and team, for an opportunity in Purfleet-on-Thames. Also, pray for the London Hub as we work towards creating an East London group and also for the Maidstone group as we work to set up cross church training.”

11 THURSDAY

Janet Hawking is teaching in Neath and Swansea schools on Thursdays. Janet asks: “Pray the Lord will clearly call more workers. Our voluntary team are in 25+ schools a week, across five counties with many of us in our 70/80s. School doors are wide open, and we need to train and equip the next generation to carry on the work.”

Will Andrews (Hertfordshire) would value prayer for a Church Revitalisation Project team meeting today via Zoom.

12 FRIDAY

Please pray for **David Brown** as he leads a Walk Through the Bible NT Live lesson at Knaresborough United Reformed Church, North Yorkshire today and tomorrow.

‘No one can come to me unless the Father who sent them draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day.’

John 6:44

13 SATURDAY

Praise God that after 10 months of not preaching **Will Andrews** is thrilled to be back to some public ministry again. At his first event, one of the leaders said, “Brilliant! Clear Gospel and so simple. We don’t get enough ‘simple’ messages these days. The ladies on my table all commented about how much they enjoy listening to you, because they understand you.” Pray for Will & Lynne as they attend the NET Cancer Group at the Garden House Hospice, Letchworth today.

14 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at Tile Kiln Chapel Chelmsford; **David Brown** at Allesley Park Evangelical Church, Coventry; **Stephen Gillham** at Marchwood Gospel Chapel, Hampshire and Bethany, Holbury; **Stephen Loader** at Bethany Chapel, Lyme Regis; **David Symons** at Hele Lane Chapel, Devon. Please pray for wisdom and anointing as they share a message today.

15 MONDAY

Kevin Baldwin, the Life exhibition

coordinator, shares: "We have a couple of weeks break for Easter followed by a busy couple of weeks with the exhibition being used to capacity: Manor Road Church, Guildford (15-19 April); St James Church, Walsall, West Midlands and the other unit at GLO in Motherwell, Scotland (22-26 April); Inverurie Gospel Hall, Scotland (29 April -3 May).



Dave Thomas, GSUS Live coordinator

asks: "Please pray for **GSUS Live** as it visits schools in Southampton over the next three weeks.



16 TUESDAY

Please pray for **Stephen Ellacott** as he leads a Bible Club followed by CU at Kingsley School, Bideford during Tuesday lunch times.

Please pray for **Charles Addoco** as he teaches the Gospel at Christ's Forgiveness Ministries in Barking.

17 WEDNESDAY

Ian Carr is leading assemblies at Cranborne First School, Wimborne; St Giles First School, and Archbishop Wake Primary School, Blandford today. Please pray that the message will sow seeds that bring life.

Pray for **Phil Davies** as he shares in three school assemblies in Swansea today. Pray for a simple yet clear message of truth and Good News.

18 THURSDAY

Pray for **One2Lead** South Wales and Borders. Pray for those who graduated track one and are now moving to track two. Pray for the team as they update the material to help these young people grow in their faith and leadership skills (18-21 April).



19 FRIDAY

Praise God for the BIG Give project that **Lee Marsland** (Greater Manchester) has been involved in. Lee shares: "We have seen so many families and individuals blessed by the generosity of complete strangers."

20 SATURDAY

Please pray for **Counties' AGM** today. Pray for an inspiring time, with encouragement for the future direction of Counties.

21 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at Crossways Fellowship Halstead, Essex; **Stephen Loader** at Nant Coch Church, Newport; **Stephen Gillham** at Marchwood Gospel Chapel, Hampshire; **Mike Strange** at East Coker Christian Fellowship, Somerset. Mike adds: "The congregation is growing since moving from the old chapel to the village hall. Please pray as I mentor Tom Whitman who works for the fellowship on a part time basis."

John Hardwick is leading a Christian celebration time at Messy Church at Royston Methodist Church, Hertfordshire.

22 MONDAY

Please pray for **Paul Willmott** as he visits Westfield Community and Blakeley Heath primary schools on behalf of Kingsway Church, Wombourne today. On Thursday Paul will be visiting Cookley and St Oswalds primary schools on behalf of Offmore Church, Kidderminster.

Pray for the **Neighbourhood Chaplains** team training on



Zoom this evening and on 29 April. **Sue Ashmole, Neighbourhood Chaplains coordinator**, explains: "The team training helps to equip and empower teams to reach out into the local community and pave the way for the Holy Spirit to be welcomed into peoples' hearts."

23 TUESDAY

Mark Bingham is leading a service at Cavell Park Care Home in Maidstone today. Please pray that the residents will come to know more about Jesus.

24 WEDNESDAY

Praise God for the long-term relationships that **Kim Hobbs** (Hemel Hempstead) has built up with ex-offenders or people in addiction. Pray for a Gospel impact.

25 THURSDAY

Gwyneth Treseder is speaking at Mount Calvary Baptist, Swansea today. Please pray that the ladies who attend will be encouraged by the message given.

26 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Will & Lynne Andrews** (Hertfordshire) as they welcome people to 'Foodie Friday' at their home today.

27 SATURDAY

Please pray for **Dave Thomas, GSUS Live coordinator**, as he promotes **GSUS Live** at the 'One Big Day' conference in Dereham, Norfolk today.



28 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Victor Jack** at Bethesda Baptist Church; **Will Andrews** at Rutland Road Christian Fellowship, Bedford; **Stephen Gillham** at Duncan Road Church, Southampton; **Stephen Loader** at Emmaus Church, Bristol; **David & Lindsey Brown** leading the family worship at Canley Evangelical Church, Coventry; **Ian Carr** at Charminster Chapel, Dorset; **Phil Davies** at a mission hall in Penygroes, South Wales; **Julian Gutteridge** at

Boulevard Baptist Church, Hull. Julian adds: "The church has around twenty Nigerian people who attend along with children and teenagers. Pray that when sharing the Gospel, some of these people will come to faith."

'Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.' Philippians 4:6

29 MONDAY

Jonathan & Heather Brain write: "As the weather improves the Gospel trailer will be heading out as much as possible around Wiltshire roads, villages and towns. Pray the winds are light enough so we are able to travel all over the county."

30 TUESDAY

David Symons (Devon) asks: "Please pray for the Counties' South West Cluster as we meet today and tomorrow, for fellowship and training. Pray for each of us to grow in our personal walk with the Lord and effectiveness in ministry as we encourage one another."

May 2024

PRAY FOR COUNTIES' SCHOOLS RESOURCES:

Please pray that Counties' schools resources will have full diaries to visit schools.

01 WEDNESDAY

Andy Hodson (West Midlands) shares: "Praise God for the two Alpha courses that we ran, with eighteen people. It was great to see how they grew in their understanding and acceptance of the things of God."

02 THURSDAY

Paul Willmott is visiting Offmore Primary School on behalf of Offmore Church, Kidderminster today. The church has opened its door as a polling station, so the school can stay open.

03 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Gordon & Penny Curley** as they lead the 'BodyBuilders' house party in Bournemouth, Dorset (3-6 May).

04 SATURDAY

Lee Marsland (Greater Manchester) Asks: "Please pray for my online ministry on various social media outlets, eg. TikTok, Facebook and YouTube. One of the podcasts I have is a regular slot on Torchlighters TV."

John Jenkins, Counties' Regional Connector, asks: "Please pray as three of our groups meet again this month: London Hub (West), London Hub (South) and Southeast England (Maidstone). Pray for new people and constructive discussions as we work with churches to see renewed health and missional engagement."

05 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at Fullbridge Church, Maldon; **Victor Jack** at Suffolk Road Church, Sudbury; and **Stephen Ellacott** this evening at Bishops Tawton Gospel Hall, Devon.

Pray for **GSUS Live** and Redditch Youth For Christ as they host this resource for the first time. Pray for schools to open their doors and young people to be receptive about the themes of Fear, Forgiveness and Rejection and how this relates to Jesus.

06 MONDAY

Please pray for **Caleb Mathewos** (London) as he prepares to lead the annual meeting, as well as the weekly leadership team meetings.

07 TUESDAY

Charles Addoco would appreciate your prayers as he puts together the 'Kingdom Impact Mission' in the London area. Pray that the ministers involved will allow God to speak through them.

08 WEDNESDAY

Paul Willmott is visiting The King Alfred School, Dudley and Woodsetton Special School on behalf of All Saints Church, Sedgley today.

Stephen Ellacott and **David Symons** lead the Christian Union at Petroc College, Devon, followed by a discussion forum on Wednesday lunch times.

09 THURSDAY

Ian Carr is leading an assembly at Stalbridge Primary School this morning, and then he is involved in chaplaincy work at Sturminster Newton High School. Please pray for Spirit-filled impact and for clarity of presentation at the primary assembly, and later for wisdom in conversations with struggling students.

Please pray for **Jonathan & Heather Brain** as they continue to look for opportunities to further their outreach to motorcyclists.

Pray for the **Neighbourhood Chaplains** Inform & Inspire this evening.



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

10 FRIDAY

Please pray for **Victor Jack** who is involved in the annual men's weekend at Sizewell Hall, Suffolk (10-12 May).

Pray as **Stevie Walker** engages in open air preaching in Newton Abbot today and on 24 May; also in Paignton on 18 May.

11 SATURDAY

David Brown is leading a Walk Through the Bible Old Testament lesson at St. Paul's Church, Worcester today.

Please pray for **Steve Cowles** who is at a police family fun day at Capernwray Bible School, Lancashire today. Steve adds: "Last year we had over 1,350 officers, staff and kids through the door!"

12 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Andy Jelfs** at Oakwood Chapel Harlow; **Steve Treseder** at Neath Gospel Hall, Wales; **Stephen Gillham** at Velmore Chapel, Hampshire; **Stevie Walker** at Strete Chapel, Devon; **Mike Strange** at Kings Church, Quantocks, Somerset; **Phil Davies** at Duvant Christian Fellowship, Swansea; **David Brown** at Allesley Park Evangelical Church, Coventry; **Ian Carr** at Brewham Baptist Chapel, Somerset. Ian is also leading the service and playing the keyboard for sung worship. He asks: "Please pray for strength in covering these varied aspects! Also, this evening I will be preaching at Fovant Free Church, Wiltshire."

Also, pray as the **Midlands Cluster** meet today and tomorrow, for a retreat at the Elim Conference Centre, Worcestershire.

13 MONDAY

Praise God for the opportunities **Caleb & Adanesh Mathewos** have to reach their community. They write: "We invite people to a coffee shop to explore the Gospel and discuss life matters. We also speak to non-believers on the street and give out tracts. Once a month we are doing joint evangelism with other churches in the Elephant and Castle area, London."

14 TUESDAY

Please pray for **David Brown** as he speaks at 'The Net', a men's outreach at Fareham, Hampshire, with **Gordon Curley**. Also, tomorrow they will be taking an assembly at Sarisbury Junior School, Southampton.

Please pray for **Stephen Gillham** as he goes on his annual visit to churches and schools on the Isle of Wight. Pray that God's Word might be a blessing to whoever Stephen & Jean speak to (14-22 May).

15 WEDNESDAY

Please pray as **Janet Hawking** travels across four counties in West Wales every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Janet writes: "I will be sowing the good seed into all sorts of soils, as a farmer sowing in faith for a harvest. Pray for protection of the seed to sprout and that others will see the good fruit manifested in changed lives and give glory to God."



16 THURSDAY

Neighbourhood Chaplains Connect is this evening. Please pray for **Martin Erwin** and **Carl Finnan** from UCB Prayerline for an evening of prayer, worship and fellowship at Bishops Stortford Community Centre, Hertfordshire.

17 FRIDAY

Stephen Treseder (Swansea) is involved in recording messages for 'Your542day' which goes out on several radio stations and weekly in written form, via WhatsApp. Please pray that these will be a challenge and a blessing to the many who listen to or read these messages.

18 SATURDAY

Julian Gutteridge writes: "Praise God that we had over 20 Turkish Sufi Muslims come to a centre for a meal. We showed a clip in Turkish of the Jesus film, covering the birth of Jesus. I then shared the Gospel. A few days later we repeated this, working with another church with Somalian and Eritrean Muslim women. Around 10 Muslim ladies attended and heard the Gospel for the first time in their own language."

19 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Stephen Gillham** at Bethany Church, Newport and Lake Green Mission, Isle of Wight; **Stephen Loader** at Wickwar Congregational Church, South Gloucestershire; **Alex Symons** at Bickington, Devon; **Stevie Walker** at Great Parks Chapel and later at Totnes Gospel Hall; **Andy Jelfs** at a 70th Anniversary Service at Harefield Church, Harlow; **Phil Davies** at Siloam Baptist, Swansea this morning and evening. Pray for clear messages to encourage the churches and the Good News to be obvious and real.

20 MONDAY

Kevin Baldwin, the Life exhibition coordinator, reports: "May gives us an enforced rest due to SATS, but we have one booking in Trinity Road Chapel, Wandsworth (20-24 May)."



21 TUESDAY

Paul Willmott is visiting Blandford Mere Primary School on behalf of Arise Church, Kingswinford and Brook Primary School on behalf of Amblecote Community Church today.

'For the word of the LORD is right and true; He is faithful in all He does.'
Psalm 33:4

22 WEDNESDAY

Colin Johnson asks: "Please pray for the monthly articles I write every month for the local paper in Leighton Buzzard and The Good News paper."

Pray for **Phil Davies** as he shares in three school assemblies in Swansea today. Pray for a simple yet clear message of truth and Good News.



23 THURSDAY

Jordan Armstrong shares: "Today we praise God for three years of the church plant in Wollaston, West Midlands. Please pray God continues to build His church in this spiritually deprived area."

Ian Carr is leading assemblies at Witchampton and Gaunt's Common First Schools today. Please pray that even the very youngest will understand something of God's love for them through the Bible story shared and explained.

24 FRIDAY

Colin Johnson (Bedfordshire) writes: "Give thanks I was able to give a tribute, and could share the Gospel, at the funeral of a lady I met years ago when doing market outreach. She became a friend and gave me power of attorney."

25 SATURDAY

Please pray for **John Hardwick** as he leads the all-age celebration and the children's programme at the Christian Camping and Caravan Conference in St Ives, Cambridge (25-31 May).

26 SUNDAY

Please pray for those preaching today, including: **Stephen Loader** at Speedwell Gospel Hall, Bristol; **Stevie Walker** at Goodrington Methodist Church Paignton.

Pray as the **South Central Cluster** meet today in Salisbury. Pray the evangelists will be inspired and encouraged by one another.

Jordan Armstrong is leading 'Vision Sunday' at Church in the Community Wollaston, West Midlands today. He adds: "We will be sharing some big plans for the future of the church and hope to have good engagement from the community, local churches and local authorities."

27 MONDAY

Please pray for Counties widows: **Grace Anderson, Madelene Bathgate, Jean Campbell, Angela Cooper, Wendy Iliffe, Phyllis Jenkins and Jane Martin**. Pray for good health and the Lord's peace in all situations.

28 TUESDAY

Neighbourhood Chaplains RUN is this evening on Zoom. Please pray as the basics of the scheme is covered.



29 WEDNESDAY

Give thanks for the **M4 Europe Learning Community** (29 May - 1 June) as different nations gather together with one mission to see the Kingdom of God expanding. Please pray for M4 Europe in this new season of growth, for God's wisdom and fruitful work across Europe.

30 THURSDAY



Sue Ashmole, Neighbourhood Chaplains coordinator, shares: "Give thanks that the second GROW Zoom event was a great success

with fifty people attending. This included seven new churches, as well as existing schemes."

31 FRIDAY

Mark Bingham is out with Street Pastors today, in Maidstone. Please pray that Mark and the team can share God's love with those they meet on the street.

“Praise the Lord for the five unchurched families that came to the Carol Service and said how much they enjoyed their time.”

Matt Rich, Cumbria

“It was lovely to be able to give out a few hundred Christmas boxes to the seafarers who came to Portbury and Avonmouth docks. Many miss their families at that time of year and it was great to show how much God cares about them all.”

Stephen Loader, Bristol

“Praise God that I have made connections with three new churches to preach at and possibly start door knocking.”

Stevie Walker, Devon

“Give thanks for an excellent term of assemblies in three schools in Swansea. Two of these schools are weekly (one shared with Steve Tresseder). The relationships that we are building with staff and pupils are priceless.”

Phil Davies, Swansea

***‘Let everything that
has breath praise
the Lord.***

Praise the Lord.’

Psalm 150:6

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