

Newsletter Update

Friday 22nd November 2013

Stats

2,028 Streets being prayed for [See Map](#)
 204,828 Houses on those streets (101 per street)
 486,720 People living there (240 per street)

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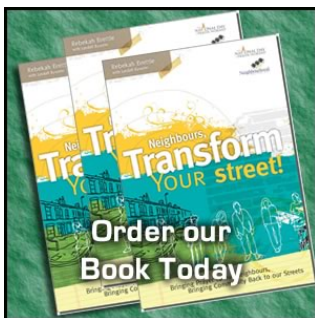
Dear Carl,

This week we bring you a beautiful story of how prayer has lead to churches working together, a Food Bank being set up and in direct answer to prayer, three people from the same street were baptised! Prayer really does work! For those of you who have been praying and have not yet seen tangible answers to prayer, please keep going, don't be disheartened. I have friends who have persevered in prayer for twenty years for their street and praise God, are now beginning to see their prayers answered!



Appeal for Help

Neighbourhood Prayer Network is serving and resourcing people across the Nation, that's our Heart. We want to bless others and lift up ministries who are working towards seeing God's Kingdom released across our nation.



However, we have some very specific need of our own. Until now I have been reluctant to ask for any donations, but we are struggling to keep up with the amount of work we have and are looking to employ someone part time to help with the admin. I am currently not paid for any of my work. If you able to help us out with a one off donation, or you think your church might add us to their local mission giving list, or you know of any trusts where we can apply for funds... any and all help would be greatly appreciated at this time. Lack of admin help and general funds is slowing us down and hindering or ability to produce literature, train volunteers and develop new projects. If you are unable to help with a donation, could you pray for us.



Please [click here](#) to donate:

Thank You.

Prayers for Streets Lead to Foodbank and Three Baptisms!

After the National Day of Prayer and Worship at Wembley, last September I was inspired to pray for my street. Last May, the Churches Together, (five churches), formed a Food Bank which is actually based opposite my home. My Street is now on the map in more ways than one! I was



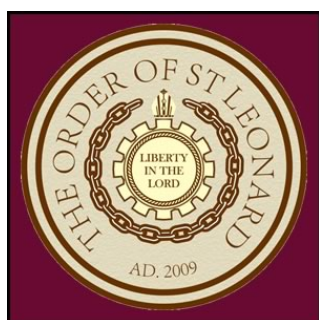
praying with a neighbour or our street generally, but we believe this was an answer to prayer, as a food bank was one of the things on my heart to see happening in Walton. I think this came out of praying for people to be blessed in our town and for the church to be more visible in our street. Our church had already been giving out food parcels at Christmas. We heard that a lady from the local Roman Catholic Church was looking to set up a Food Bank and so it came to be born!



Social services, church leaders and many others in our community are given vouchers to give to people in need. People are given up to three vouchers for an emergency situation, such as a delay in benefits following the loss of a job. Some of the stories are heart breaking! We give people food for three days every Friday. Schools, churches and other organisations, donate the food.



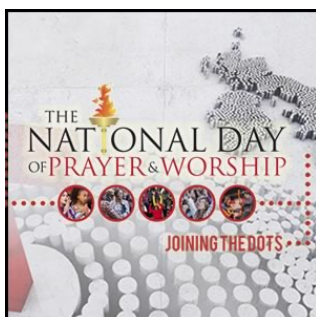
I then put it to our pastor and his wife that we could take on a few streets each to pray for in our home-groups, which we have been doing now for several months and in one particular road, we have had three people come to faith in Jesus and been baptised. The three people, a Grandmother and two Mum's started attending the "Mother and Toddler" group that my church, Coastlands runs. Not long afterwards, they became Christian and we believe it is because their street was one of the streets that we are praying for.



Our Pastor meets regularly with ministers from other local churches and told them about the neighbourhood prayer initiative and this has since snowballed across other churches in our town. We are now covering over 30 streets in our town in prayer. Doors are really beginning to open here in Walton-on-Naze in Essex. This has all happened in twelve months, we are so grateful to God for His faithfulness. Prayer really DOES make a difference.

Molly, Essex

Neighbour Friday



PRAYER

FRIDAY 22ND NOV ROM 10:15
MESSENGERS

Father, You call Your Church to be Your messengers of good news. Mould us, we pray, to serve You better. Breathe fresh life into our churches today, and give us a fresh vision of You. Help us to share Your love in our communities, so that many will discover Jesus in this upcoming HOPE year.

Neighbourhood Prayer Network is joining many ministries and denominations to pray with HOPE 2014 between 18th October to 31st January. These prayers are taken from the HOPE prayer



guide.

You can download the whole guide from www.neighbourhoodprayer.net/pray. The whole of this weeks prayers are at the bottom of this newsletter. To obtain a free copy from UCB, [Click Here](#).

CARE

Could you organise a coffee morning in your church to raise money for the people of the Philippines? Consider inviting your neighbours to fundraising events at your church.

AND/OR:

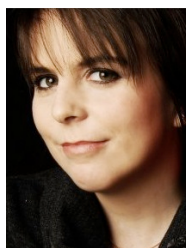
Is there someone who is facing spending Christmas on their own this year? Could you consider inviting them into your home at Christmas?

SHARE

Consider giving Christmas cards and a small present to some of your neighbours, with an invitation to a local Carol service.

Thanks for supporting us and being part of this prayer community.

Every Blessing



Rebekah Brettle

P.S. Don't forget to click on the block advert links to some of our great partners (on the left).

HOPE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES

Source: National Day of Prayer and Worship

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SATURDAY 23RD NOV ISA 58:7-8

PRACTICAL ACTION

Give thanks for social action projects in your community. Pray that many will find their lives transformed. Pray for a spirit of collaboration and unity as agencies and organisations work together. Lord, may our witness be prophetic, prompted and guided by Your Spirit, that we may give hope in dark times.

SUNDAY 24TH NOV EPH 3:16-19

THE FULLNESS OF GOD

Father, may the believers where I live be rooted and established in love, and may we grasp how wide, how long, how high and how deep Your love for us truly is. Fill us to overflowing, so Your love spills out into our communities. Empower us to love those around us as You love them. (Source: Bible Society)

MONDAY 25TH NOV PS 11:7

LOCAL LEADERS

Lord, we pray Your blessing on the influencers in our communities. We pray for all involved in the media, that they will publish true records of events. For those in the sports and leisure industry, we pray that You will shine through them, using them to bring joy and encouragement to those they interact with.

TUESDAY 26TH NOV 1 TIM 2:1

PRAYER FOR EVERYONE

The early Church was birthed in the place of prayer. Almighty God, we ask that You will renew in us a desire to pray. We ask that You will raise up prayer groups all over our communities, so that every person will be prayed for, befriended and given the opportunity to hear about Jesus.

WEDNESDAY 27TH NOV ISA 60:1

ARISE AND SHINE

Father God, we speak out Your will and word today. We say to our communities: "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you". May the atmosphere of our communities be saturated with Your 'shalom' peace. May we shine for You, Glorious God.

THURSDAY 28TH NOV ROM 12:12-13

GOD'S LOVE

In the name of Jesus, we pray for families in our communities today: for those homes where violence is rife, that God will intervene; for those suffering from isolation and depression, that the Holy Spirit will bring comfort; for parents who are struggling to cope, that God will send help and sustenance.

PRAYER CHALLENGE:

Organise a church prayer walk around your local community this week.

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