

Newsletter Update

Friday 10th May 2013

Stats

1,355 Streets being prayed for [See Map](#)
 136,855 Houses on those streets (101 per street)
 325,200 People living there (240 per street)

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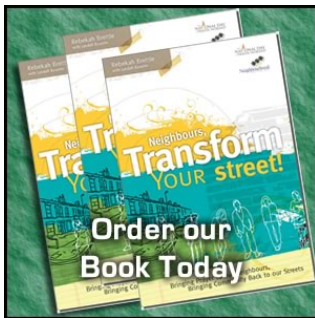


Neighbourhood
 P R A Y E R . N E T



Dear Carl,

It is almost a year since the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Big Lunch, where over 8.5 million Britons are estimated to have taken part in street parties or tea parties with their neighbours. On June 2nd "[The Big Lunch](#)" is taking place again nationally. Last year, promoted strongly by Hope Together, many churches or home groups hosted parties for their neighbours to attend. Neighbourhood Prayer Network is hoping that many of you will take this opportunity to invite your neighbours to events already organised or to organise an event of your own. We are starting to think about it for our neighbours!



Below is a testimony written by Brian Clews about the prayer group he belong to, who have been holding "English tea parties" three or four times a year. It is an inspiring story and we hope it encourages you.

Neighbourhood Old English Tea Parties



We are a small group of Christians in Cookham, Berkshire, from different local churches, who have known each other and prayed together over many years. Some of us attended the inspirational event at Wembley last year and got to hear about the Neighbourhood Prayer Network. We started praying again for local people and particularly those who perhaps did not get out too often. After a while, some of the team had a feeling we should invite some of them to an occasional 'Old English Tea party'. We deliver personalised, hand-designed invites with suitable scriptures upon them. We then purchased a lot of old tea sets from that era, hired a small hall, laid it out in a homely setting with suitable table-wear, and background music of that era, and served tea, cakes and (triangular) sandwiches and sit folks down in fives and sixes. Really, after that, they just get on and natter whilst we beetle around in the background.





We've held them about quarterly ever since, and now regularly get about 30 each time, and have extended invites to include relatives etc. The team's children and grand-children like to help with serving so it has a 'generational' component

which seems to go down well too. At the most recent one, we decided to include a 'thank you for coming' card, and thought we would add a line inviting prayer requests if they wished. We had our first request come in this week! Even better, the prayer was answered!

NEIGHBOUR FRIDAY

PRAYER

GAL 5:1

Lord I pray for those in my neighbourhood who are addicted to prescription drugs or street drugs. Help the Christians in my area to find ways to share the gospel and to be a source of support instead of judgement.

Ask God to give you an opportunity to bring encouragement and hope to someone with an addiction.

CARE

Can you organise a big lunch on Sunday 2nd June? A Big Lunch can be anything from a few neighbours getting together in the garden or on the street, to a full blown street party with food, music and decoration that quite literally stops the traffic. Visit www.thebiglunch.com

SHARE

Can you invite someone to your church in the coming weeks?

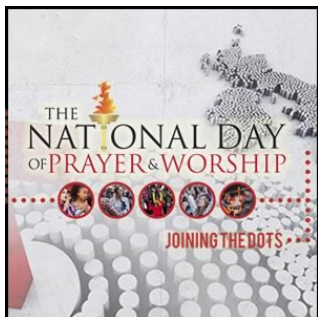
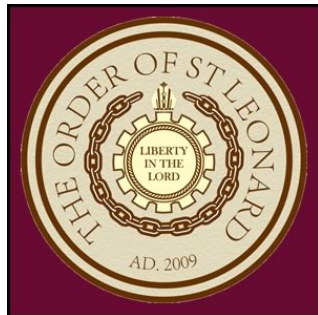
Upcoming Events

[Loving Telford](#)

If you know anyone in the Telford area, please encourage them to get involved and consider praying for them 9th to 19th May 2013. They are aiming to encourage as many people to pray for their streets as possible.

[TRUMPET CALL 2013](#), Saturday 15th June 2013

This is an invitation to The Trumpet Call 2013 at THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE, BIRMINGHAM on Saturday 15 June 2013. We are calling Christians around The





British Isles & Ireland to a day to pray for our nations.

As this call goes out, we at world Prayer Centre, along with many others, sense an urgency about the importance of this day. Our nations are in increasing turmoil as we observe the consequences of ungodly decisions made both in the past and by our National leaders today. Decisions that not only affect us, but will also affect generations to come.

We are encouraging you to come with others from your area, or come with a whole group from your church, your small group, your neighbourhood group, but come together with others.

The day will start at 11:00am (doors open at 9:30am) and will run through until 5:00pm with an hour break for lunch between 1:00pm and 2:00pm

Tickets £10

25's & under £5

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Until next time....

Every Blessing



Rebekah Brettle

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