

Newsletter Update

Friday 26th April 2013

Stats

1,343 Streets being prayed for [See Map](#)
 135,643 Houses on those streets (101 per street)
 322,320 People living there (240 per street)

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Dear Carl,

Love Calderdale, Halifax

Last Saturday, I joined Paul Blakey ([Love Your Streets/CNI](#)) at a prayer meeting for [Love Calderdale](#), Halifax. Love Calderdale is taking place on 18th May and is a family festival organised for the local community. Last year 10,000 people took part. We were able to share the vision to pray for streets and quite a number of people were interested. What was striking at this meeting is how much is going on in Halifax as a whole. They listed many projects such as Street Angels, youth work, healing on the street, food drop ins and many more. Halifax used to be a no go area at night time, but in recent years has been transformed into a much safer place, in large part due to the work of Street Angels. You can read more about this in "[Neighbours, Transform Your Street.](#)" (page 180)



Violent Crime in the UK falls

This week it has been reported that violent crime in the UK has fallen faster than anywhere else in western Europe. Please give thanks to God for the work of the police, government, youth workers, Street Angels and Street Pastors and all those who have worked towards preventing domestic violence and of course, all the prayers for our nation! There is still more to be done, but this is welcome news! Visit <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-22275280> to see a UK wide map showing the best and worst areas of the UK. We believe Christians, just by praying and caring for neighbours living closest, contribute to lower crime levels overall. In time we aim to prove this.

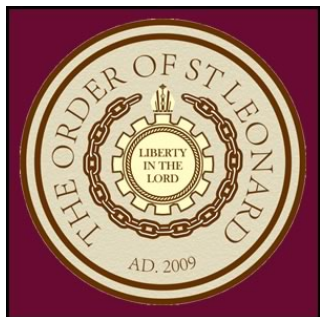


Testimony

God has been awesome in answering our cries to Him. We have learned that there are several drug dealers live very close to the home we have moved into. Neighbours have been knocking on our door asking for help, this is before doing any outreach! We have been able to help several people in our street, this is breaking down barriers; local churches have been trying to get into the lives of the community, but we are now seeing answers to the hours of prayer. A single parent family came round on one Saturday afternoon for tea and we had lots of things to give them. How great is our God!



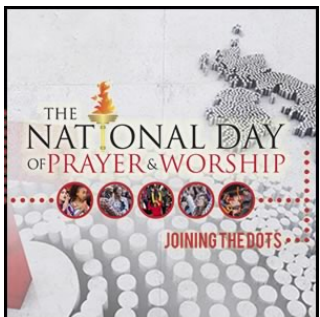
We live in one of the notorious areas of Loughborough called Shelthorpe. We have been associated with New Springs Church in town for many years, we used to live 10 plus miles away in Ashby ,however we felt God's call to move into town; we did a mutual exchange and we now are starting to see break throughs in many areas. Spent a lot of today sorting a desperate young person move into a flat nearby, we met her through some one else God has been using my family to show Gods love to. We are so excited as the young lady is wanting to go to church with us.



It's not by might nor by power, but by the SPIRIT of God that we are seeing change on our street.

Andrew W

Another testimony of how prayer can reduce crime: The Bell Farm Story



In Neighbour's Transform Your Street, page 89, we share the story of a London estate, Bell Farm, plagued by antisocial behaviour and how prayer and fasting transformed this area.

Please [click here](#) to buy a copy now. All profits go towards running costs of the charity. In addition, it is written with the sole purpose of encouraging you and helping further the vision of Neighbourhood Prayer Network and similar ministries. We would appreciate it if you would help us spread the word about this resource in your church. Recently someone told us our resource had changed their life! If you want to order a lot of copies for your church, we can offer you a special discount. Please contact us directly.



Neighbour Friday

PRAYER

Matthew 6:19-21

Lord, I pray that my neighbours, especially their children, will know that there is more to life than money and the things it can buy. Help our community to realise the value of friendship.



CARE

Ask God what He would like you to do this weekend, to be a true friend to someone living on your street.

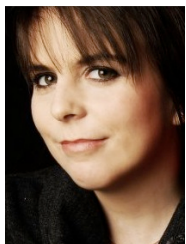
SHARE

Could you consider ordering copies of the Father's love letter from UCB (our partner), to give out to your neighbours? See pages 218-220 in "[Neighbour's, Transform Your Street](#)" for more details. Phone 0845 6040401, to order your free copies from UCB, you will have to pay postage costs only.



Until next time....

Every Blessing



Rebekah Brettle

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