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# Newsletter Update

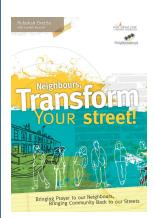
Friday 8th February 2013

#### Stats

1,115 Streets being prayed for See Map
112,615 Houses on those streets (101 per street)
267,600 People living there (240 per street)
\*\*Click here to see our research sources.



### Our New Book



240 pages of stories, ideas, prayer guides and practical advise to help mobilise prayer for your street. A great resource for prayer groups and local Church.

Order the book from our website and Rebekah will sign your copy.

Profits from the sale of books helps to run Neighbourhood Prayer Network

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# Dear Carl,

Thank you to all of you for continuing to pray.

Sometimes the idea of praying for a whole street is overwhelming...

We would suggest that people start to pray for not one, not two, but three houses on your street and that you concentrate on trying to get to know your neighbours in these houses. Caring for your neighbours need not take any longer than a friendly hello, a smile, a chat over the fence or an offer of help with shopping, If we all do a little, we will see big changes across our nation!

## Lent

As Lent starts on 13th February, we hope to encourage you to use our forty days of prayer guide, available on pages 124-152 in Neighbours Transform Your Street or this prayer guide can also be found on YouVersion or can be downloaded from the PRAYER section of our website. I was recently contacted by a postcode co-ordinator from Portishead who is mobilising his whole church to use the forty day prayer guide for Lent

# #do1nicething

We are also hoping that you will consider getting involved with a "Love Your Streets Project" called #do1nicething, envisioned by Paul Blakey MBE. Every day, Love Your Streets has provided a simple daily suggestion that you can do, to make your neighbourhood a better place. The idea is also that those on twitter, tweet the suggestion for that day using #do1nicething so that we can allow the ideas to spread across the internet. In 2011, this idea was so popular that it was picked up by the secular media. What I love about this idea is most of the ideas don't take very long to do at all and yet if we all did them each day, we could really make a difference on our streets. We have added the #do1nicething to our "Neighbour Friday" for the Lent period. This project is highlighted on pages 61-62 of Neighbours, Transform Your Street.

## **Father's Love Letter**



Many of you have responded to the call to give out the Father's love letter in your street or wider neighbourhood. Over 35,000 copies have been ordered from <u>UCB</u>. Thank you. This project is highlighted on 218-220 of <u>Neighbours Transform Your Street</u>

# **Training Day for Volunteers**

I had the pleasure of meeting some of our postcode coordinators at Harrow International Christian Centre on Saturday 2nd. It was a great meeting and it was lovely to meet people I had only spoken to on the phone, for the first time. All the volunteers I met were inspiring and I thoroughly enjoyed the day. Thanks to all who came. We are ready to start recruiting more volunteers. Click here if you would like to become a church representative or a postcode co-ordinator. The next training date will be held in the North of England.

## **Testimonies**

We are always keen to hear from you what is happening where you live or in your church. Please send us stories that we can share with others. Email us with your testimony, click here.

# **Every Blessing**



Rebekah Brettle

# **Today is Neighbour Friday**

## **PRAYER**

Ephesians 3:19

As marriage week begins, pray for those on your street who are married, and particularly for those who are finding that the stresses and anxieties of everyday life are corroding the quality of their relationship.

Is there anything you can do to make life easier for a married couple on your street this weekend?

# **CARE**

#do1nicething in partnership with Love Your Streets

Wed 13th: Engage in conversation with the people who serve you (e.g. shop keepers) #do1nicething

Thursday 14th: Say thank you to someone as they work and say how much you appreciate them #do1nicething

#### **SHARE**

Could you consider ordering copies of the Father's love letter from UCB (our partner), to give out to your neighbours on Valentine's day, Father's day or over the Lent/Easter period? 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.

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