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Newsletter Update

Friday 4th January 2013

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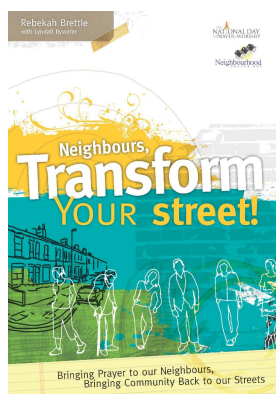
993 Streets being prayed for [See Map](#)
 100,293 Houses on those streets (101 per street)
 238,320 People living there (240 per street)

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Dear Carl,

Happy New Year! We are pleased to announce that "the Charity Commission has granted Neighbourhood Prayer Network charitable status. Our Charity number is 1150306.

As the year starts, we are hoping to encourage as many people as possible to begin praying for their streets in prayer triplets, otherwise known as "Lighthouses of Prayer."

Please inform your church leader if you intend to do this, as they may be able to guide you. A Prayer Triplet guide [is available on our website \(in basic form\)](#) or [in our book, in an illustrated form](#) and we hope three people from three different local streets will come together to pray. I myself intend to form a triplet in the coming weeks. Please let us know if you are doing this.

The lack of community in our neighbourhoods has been highlighted in the BBC this week as a minister called for people to help look after their elderly neighbours to try to help them stay in their homes. Could you spare just one hour a week to help an elderly neighbour this year?

As we near a thousand streets, please encourage others to sign up. We've had some duplicates in the database so have reduced the number of streets being prayed for by seven this week, good news is we stand at 993 streets, which means we've broken through the 100,000 homes being prayed for goal. This is incredible considering we only started in September.

The following testimony has been a huge encouragement to us and we hope it is for you as well.

Jean Dobson writes:

My husband Phil and I brought home with us from Wembley on 29th September 2012, a copy of the "Neighbours, Transform your Street." We had lived in the North of the City for some time, pastoring a congregation in the inner city and had unintentionally, to an extent neglected our neighbours in Melling road.

Your booked confirmed the need and we signed to pray for



our neighbours in Melling Road. Upshot - we discovered our next-door neighbour, in her eighties, and who lives alone, would have been alone Christmas Day. We invited her to join us and had a lovely time together. Living above us are a brother and sister, both hoping to leave Aintree this year. We have previously prayed for them. They have now accepted an invitation to join us for a meal before they leave. We have also made contact with another neighbour, a batchelor, who has recently retired from full-time employment.

We'd agreed that we would put systematic prayer in place as 2013 began. To our delight, over the holiday period we have met up with a Christian who lives at the end of our road. To our surprise we discovered that he has not attended church for some six years, following a previously hurtful church situation. He has agreed to meet with us for fellowship and prayer - wheels in motion for next week.

And finally, having read your contribution to the book , and in particular reference to your work as a GP, it confirmed my thinking to give some flowers to my own GP New Year's Eve, as a thank you for her sterling work and wise counsel she has given me over the years. Was unsure as to how she would react, thanks to what I saw as confirmation from your book (I read that particular article over the Christmas holiday) the offering was received with surprise and thanks.

I have lived in Liverpool virtually all my life, and unless God changes His mind, it is the city and its people I will live and die for. Following years and years of prayer, both locally and over more recent years nationally (Rod and Julie Anderson of Prayer for the Nations have initiated many profitable gatherings for our nation), I believe the table of prayer has risen sufficiently high for this latest initiative to bear fruit.

Be encouraged, I am confident in God that this latest initiative will bear fruit, for surely as we seek the extension of God's Kingdom in our nation, we will all be stronger together.

Let's push forward and get some more streets registered so that we can break through the 1,000 street mark. Thanks so much for your commitment to pray for your street.

To register your street or for a friend to register their's [just click this link](#), and then select 'Add Place'.

Every Blessing



Rebekah Brettle

Today is Neighbour Friday

PRAYER

Isaiah 43:18-19

Lord, I pray for my neighbours making New Year's resolutions to live healthier lives; may they also resolve to know You more. Write down the good things God has done for you; hand over to Him the things you need to let go of; ask Him for His vision for your life this New Year.

CARE

Keep an eye out for elderly neighbours this New Year and winter. Please check that your neighbours are warm enough as heating bills soar.

SHARE

Find two other Christians on two other streets and form a prayer triplet. Use the prayer triplet guide in "Neighbours, Transform Your Street" to help you set up your group and pray together, (pages 98-123)

UCB's Prayerline

If you or your neighbour need prayer this Christmas you might want to ring UCB's Prayerline, there are dedicated staff who will pray with you on the phone or you can send them a quick email and they pray for that need. To get more information about prayer line and to submit a prayer request [Click Here.](#)

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