

Ed – Please continue to pray for Ed and his family.

Mark – Last month we asked you to pray for Mark, an ex-offender whom we believe is converted. Because of some unwise decisions he had made, it was possible he would end up back inside. We can give thanks that he has not had to return to prison, however he does have a driving ban and he has lost his job. Please continue to pray for him, especially for his future and for the people who are seeking to support him at this time.

Bringing Change from Behind the Scenes

Bedlington PSG – Please pray for them as they meet at the beginning of this month. They ask for prayer for wisdom and a spirit of love at the meeting as they discuss and pray about the future. Pray for Mike Clark, who leads the group as he plans to meet with a local prison chaplain at the beginning of this month.

Give thanks for the new opportunities given to Daylight in other parts of the country and that opportunities will be given to establish contact with local prisons and chaplains for the new PSG. Praise God for those who are responding to the Lord as a result of services and Christianity Explored courses run by Daylight.

Letter Writing – Please continue to pray for all the volunteers who write to prisoners and for the prisoners who receive the letters.

Staff – Please pray for each of the Daylight staff, that they would continue to know God’s help in their work.



Daylight Newsletter September 2014

I recently visited HMP Maidstone with some Daylight Prison Ministry Associates and Visitors on a Sunday morning.

Just over one hundred prisoners came to the service and they were really glad to be there. The service started with the hymn, *How Great Thou Art*, and it was wonderful to hear the prisoners singing so well and enthusiastically.

One of the prisoners, Charles prayed very sincerely, and in doing so he showed his excellent knowledge of scripture. He prayed for the prison officers and governors and he was so grateful for food on the table and clothes to wear, things we often take for granted.

Another prisoner then read from Acts 17 where the Apostle Paul speaks to the people of Athens about The Unknown God.

Daylight’s Prison Ministry Associate then spoke on the passage. He asked the prisoners five questions:

- Do you worship God as your Creator?
- Do you rely on Him as your Carer?
- Do you own Him as your King?
- Do you love Him as your Father?
- Are you ready to meet Him as your Judge?

The prisoners listened so well, their attention really focused on what was being said.

One prisoner, Marvin was going to be released in the coming week and was asked to come and say a few words. He spoke very powerfully to his fellow prisoners, telling them to make sure they had God in their lives, because without Him they have nothing. He urged them to read their Bibles and said that in hard times they should turn to God. One verse that had helped him was Philippians 4:13, “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” Please pray for him, that he will be kept on the right path after his release.

Another of the prisoners, Simon came into the service looking very downcast. He seemed to have been helped by the service and asked for a Bible at the end. He was given one and he promised to read it and pray over it, so please pray for him.

These men are so cheerful, when it would seem they have every reason to be down. It was lovely to meet them and see that what Daylight does really makes a difference in their lives.

Please pray:

- For each prisoner who came to the service, for those who are unbelievers that what they heard will touch their hearts and for those that are saved that they would grow in grace.
- That the prisoners would come back to more services in the future
- For the prison officers and chaplaincy

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September Prayer Points

Bringing Change from the Inside

HMP Bristol – Praise God for a wonderful CE course at HMP Bristol lead by Lindsay and Paul. There were only two men by the very end, but eight coming and going throughout the course. All of them engaged really well and seemed to progress in their understanding of the Gospel.

Please pray for all those who were released during the course, that they would continue in their pursuit of truth and the Christian faith and that God would put faithful people around them to help them. Pray particularly for G who was released recently and will be receiving mentoring support from us.

HMP Bullington – Please pray for Daylight Prison Ministry Associates (PMAs) that run a Bible study each month. Most of the men are unbelievers, but a number of them have made professions of faith. The men always have questions which indicate a number are seriously searching and those who profess conversion often have questions of a pastoral nature. Although the number of prisoners who attend varies greatly, the PMAs always feel their visits are worthwhile.

Bedlington PSG – Please pray for a local prison where there has recently been job cuts. This places greater strain on the prison officers and chaplaincy, so please pray for them.

Chapel Services – Give thanks for a service that took place in HMP Bristol at the end of August and pray for the next service planned for September 14th. Pray too for a service in HMP Eastwood Park on September 7th and for David, Susanna and Neil who will be bringing God's Word to the prisoners on those dates.

Please pray for a new opportunity for a Daylight Prayer & Support Group to run a service in a prison in the East of England at the beginning of this month. Pray for the staff and volunteers who will take part and for prisoners to come along to the service.



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Christianity Explored – Please pray for new Christianity Explored (CE) courses that are due to start this month in HMPs Ashfield, Bristol and Eastwood Park. Pray for practicalities, for people to come along regularly, and for God's grace in salvation for many.

Bringing Change from the Inside Out

Mentoring in Bristol - Give thanks for P, one of our mentees, who was baptised last month and invited Lindsay to go along. In his testimony he spoke about how thankful he was for Daylight's preaching in chapel services, visiting in prison, meeting him off the train on the day of his release, and for the ongoing support of his mentor. Praise God that he is now in such a great church community and has committed his life to Christ!

We are giving thanks for M, whom Lindsay met just before his release. He is now doing well in Bristol and has been to church with his mentor for the first time, and found it "better than any counselling session." Pray that his desire to go to church would continue and that suitable accommodation would be found for him soon.

Please pray for another M who has been linked up with two of Daylight's mentors. Pray for them as they get to know each other and look for a church for M to go to.

Pray also for all the mentoring referrals that Lindsay is receiving, that God would give wisdom in knowing how best to support them, and who to pair them with. Pray for continued good relationships with prison staff too.

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