



## Daylight Newsletter February 2017

*It has been a busy start to 2017 in Daylight and it seems that not a day passes without some encouragement and reminder of the Lord's goodness.*

*In Wales, it had seemed that the doors of HMP Parc were closed but after praying about this for five years, David was able to meet with the chaplaincy recently and we now have great opportunities to work there.*

*At a recent service in HMP Ford, prisoners heard a message from Luke chapter 7 on the healing of the centurion's servant and the raising from the dead of the widow of Nain's son. Following the service our volunteers had good conversations with the prisoners and one Christian prisoner shared a couple of significant things he felt were being taught in the passage that had not been mentioned, showing a good understanding of what the Scriptures said.*

*In our Bible studies in HMP Oakwood, a group of about twenty prisoners are currently studying the book of Acts. They meet for over two and half hours and even in the ten minute coffee break are all asking questions and talking about the Bible.*

*At another prison, one man when he first came to our Bible studies said he was a scientific atheist but says he has a different view point now. He is not a believer but it seems that God is starting to work in his heart.*

*Nigel recently saw a lifer whom he met some time ago in another prison. The prisoner said that what he had heard when they met before made sense and had changed his view of God and the Bible and that he had since become a Christian.*

*Give thanks for these new and continued opportunities and for prisoners who are eager to learn from the Bible. Please pray that through our work in prisons, prisoners who are Christians will be encouraged and grow in grace and that others will come to know Christ as their Saviour.*

## February Prayer Points

**HMP Wayland** – The schedule has been changed here and has shifted the men's free time slot for evening activities to after dinner. This means that our two midweek Bible studies have to be rescheduled and we haven't been able to conduct one since the start of the year. The difficulty with after dinner is that the chaplaincy have gone home and there is no staff cover. We are still able to mentor two men on Tuesday afternoons. Please pray that a suitable time slot will be found to re-start the midweek meetings.

**North of England** – Give thanks for a church willing to form a Prayer & Support Group (PSG) for the four prisons in the Preston area and pray for them as this group develops. Please pray particularly for the Daylight team leading two services at HMP Garth on 5th February.

Please pray for churches that are interested in getting involved with the work at HMPs Armley, Durham, Holme House and Northumberland, some of whom are considering forming PSGs. Pray particularly that the Lord will raise up a suitable person to help the ongoing Gospel work at HMP Durham and for the Daylight team running a service in HMP Northumberland on the 25th February.

Give thanks for the weekly Gospel opportunities in HMP Haverigg and pray for Daylight teams running a service and Bible study here on 19th February. Please continue to pray for a PSG for this prison.

**Scotland** – Give thanks for the prisoners who have just completed Christianity Explored and received their certificates. Pray that they will continue to have an interest in the Gospel and will register for the Discipleship Explored course.

Pray for **D** who has been out of prison for a year, free from drugs and working. He has been in contact with the Daylight chaplain and has told him that as a result of hearing the Gospel message his life has been turned around and he is also keen to meet up with him again. Pray that he will now come to a saving knowledge of Christ.

A few inmates who have been regular attenders at the course and services have recently been or are just about to be released. They so often promise they will attend church but once they regain their freedom quickly forget these promises. Pray that they will attach themselves to churches where they will be received, nurtured and taught.

## Income & Expenditure Statement for year ending 31st December 2016

|                                   | 2016            | 2015            |                           | 2016            | 2015            |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Opening Balance 1st Jan:</b>   | <b>£40,580</b>  | <b>£34,554</b>  |                           |                 |                 |
| <b><u>Income</u></b>              |                 |                 | <b><u>Expenditure</u></b> |                 |                 |
| Unrestricted Gifts & Sundries     | 100,754         | 92,707          | Staff Costs               | 87,260          | 78,012          |
| Gift Aid Tax Recovered            | 6,055           | 6,445           | Premises Costs            | 10,574          | 9,970           |
| Gifts to Support Particular Staff | 22,617          | 21,936          | Office Costs              | 11,801          | 12,646          |
| Contributions to Office Costs     | 1,331           | 2,147           | Travel Costs              | 15,555          | 14,698          |
|                                   |                 |                 | Fundraising Costs         | 2,665           | 1,883           |
| <b>Total Income:</b>              | <b>£130,757</b> | <b>£123,235</b> | <b>Total Expen:</b>       | <b>£127,855</b> | <b>£117,209</b> |
| <b>Closing Balance 31st Dec:</b>  | <b>£43,482</b>  | <b>£40,580</b>  |                           |                 |                 |
| Income in Excess of Expenditure:  | £2,902          | £6,026          |                           |                 |                 |

**Please note these figures have not yet been subject to independent examination and are therefore only provisional.**

We can again look back and see the Lord's hand in maintaining Daylight. Whilst the figures are unaudited we felt it appropriate as soon as possible in the new year to thank you each as you support the work, both in prayer and financially. We are also thankful to those now with the Lord who were moved to leave legacies to the trust. This accounted for about a third of the unrestricted gifts during the year.

Our Staff costs rose during 2016 with Glynn Jones coming on board as our Regional Director in the North and we are continually grateful to a number of churches and trusts who give to support particular members of staff.

Despite Income exceeding Expenditure overall due to the legacy income, in the last half of the year our average monthly expenditure has been almost £3000 more than income. We finish the year with a balance within the Charity Commission recommendation of cash reserves, but aware of the need for increased regular giving. Please pray that the Lord would continue to provide the resources needed for the work.

Roger Dickinson - Honorary Treasurer

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