



Daylight Newsletter June 2017

At a recent prison service, Nigel had been preaching on Romans chapter 5 verse 1, "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ".

At the end of the service a man of about thirty came forward asking Nigel to help him as he wanted to become a Christian. He was visibly emotional about what he had heard and Nigel was able to talk and pray with him and felt he had truly put his faith in the Saviour.

Please pray for this man, that he would grow in grace and would be helped to live for Christ in prison and after his release.

On the same day in another prison, Steven had been giving a message on the two men on the road to Emmaus. An officer came closer during the sermon to listen and came up to him afterwards and thanked him, saying it was "very good". Please pray for this officer.

Before another recent service Hannah was speaking to a Christian prisoner who shared something of his testimony with her.

He was so grateful that Daylight had come to take the service and said he was glad that there were people like us who were willing to come and speak to them without being judgemental.

It was a reminder that in going into prisons we don't only share the Gospel with those who are unsaved, but also seek to encourage those who are already believers.

Please pray for this man as he witnesses to other prisoners and the staff on his wing.



June Prayer Points

HMP Berwyn (North Wales) – Give thanks for opportunities to work in this new prison. We hope to start running Christianity Explored here from September but need local volunteers to help with this. Please pray that suitable volunteers would be found.

HMP Chelmsford (Essex) – Give thanks that prisoners listened well as the Gospel was shared at a recent service and for opportunities to speak to and pray with a number of them afterwards. Please pray that the message they heard would continue to have an effect on their hearts and lives and for the team running a service here again on 18th June.

HMYOI Cookham Wood (Kent) – Give thanks that one of our volunteers was able to clearly present the Gospel at our service here in May, looking at the need for repentance and differentiating between godly sorrow and the sorrow of the world from 2 Corinthians 7:10. Pray for the young men that came to this service and for our next service on 18th June.

HMP Ford (West Sussex) – Give thanks for an encouraging service here recently. Pray for the team running the service on 25th June and for the Solent Prayer & Support Group as they meet to pray for this.

HMP Garth (Lancashire) – Please pray for our two services here on 25th June and for the Daylight people leading these.

HMP Haverigg (Cumbria) – Give thanks for the many opportunities that continue to come through our ministry here. Please pray for the Daylight team leading the service on 11th June.

HMP High Down (Surrey) – Our St Helen's (London) Prayer & Support Group will be running a service here on the 4th June. Give thanks for this opportunity to share the Gospel and pray that they would enjoy the same freedoms they had last time in terms of preaching, leading prayers and choosing the songs.

Please pray that God would be preparing the hearts of the men who attend, that they might respond in faith and repentance, for good Gospel centred conversations with the prisoners and for the opportunity to pray with them after the service. Pray too that all the practicalities will go well and that the team will arrive safely and on time.

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HMP Holme House (County Durham) – Please pray for the chaplaincy team, staff, prisoners and visitors as Daylight lead the Sunday service here on 4th June.

HMP Portland (Dorset) – Give thanks that the weekly Bible studies continue steadily, with the two groups currently studying Acts and Luke.

We have also been asked to lead a Guilt & Forgiveness course starting in mid-June. Please pray that this will attract prisoners who might not normally sign up for Bible studies or chapel courses and that it will be a real blessing.

HMP Swansea (South Wales) – Please pray for the Christianity Explored course starting here at the beginning of June.

Daylight Conference – Please continue to pray for us as we prepare for our conference in West Bromwich in November. More information on the conference and booking are available on our website.

Glynn Jones – Pray for Glynn as he preaches and gives Daylight presentations at a number of churches this month.

Prayer & Support Groups – Please continue to pray that the Lord will raise up a Prayer & Support Group for the prisons in the North East cluster (HMPs Durham, Holme House, Low Newton & Northumberland) and for the Yorkshire cluster (Armley, Newhall, Wetherby & Wealstun).

Scotland – Please pray for G who is very concerned that his child could be taken into care by Social Services.

JS has been released but is still looking for permanent accommodation. Pray that this difficulty may be solved very soon and that he will be able to settle down.

B who was released last year has suddenly turned up at church. Please pray that he would continue to attend and would put his trust in the Lord and that it will be the beginning of a completely new life for him.

Please continue to pray for the ongoing Discipleship Explored course and the weekly service. The numbers at the weekly service have decreased since it became a joint service for mainstream and vulnerable prisoners. Pray that this would change and that the weekly service would once again be well attended.

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