

Letter Writing

We are sorry to have to tell you that Stephen Evans who ran Daylight's letter writing programme passed away at the beginning of March. He had been volunteering in this role for almost six years and his help to us and the prisoners using the letter writing has been invaluable.

Stephen was extremely dedicated to his work here and even in the last few days of his life, when he was quite unwell, he was concerned about getting into the office. He was always at the monthly meetings of the Chelmsford Prayer & Support Group and his presence and prayers for the work will be very much missed, but we rejoice that he is now "with Christ, which is far better".

Please pray that the Lord will raise up someone to take on the letter writing work and for us as we seek to maintain the flow of letters in the meantime. If you would like to know more about volunteering to run the letter writing at our office in Chelmsford, please get in touch.

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After a recent service one of our volunteers was talking to a prisoner who was speaking about being wrongly imprisoned and how unjust this was. Our volunteer was able to use this opportunity to explain to him that the biggest injustice in the world was Christ dying on the cross and that He did this so we might have our sins forgiven and have Him as our friend. Please pray that this conversation would be used to speak to him.

Another volunteer working in chaplaincy was speaking to a prisoner who regularly attends services and Bible studies. He had been reading the Psalms and said how amazing they were and wanted to know if they really sang them. Please pray that he would continue to read and discover more from God's Word.

This volunteer also visited another prisoner on the wing who is very needy and often seeks chaplaincy time. We do not know where he stands spiritually but we were able to give him a John's Gospel CD and pray that this will be used in his heart and life.

Following a request from a Managing Chaplain, we were recently able to run a forty minute session on Science & Faith. The men found this fascinating and three of them then turned up at the weekly Bible study with great enthusiasm.

Two other prisoners who come to these weekly Bible studies are due to be released soon. Both express thanks for the work of God in their lives whilst attending the Bible studies and have churches they intend to go to once released. There is real evidence of faith in Christ and we pray that they will continue to go on with the Lord.

Thank you for your support.

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April Prayer Points

HMP Cardiff (South Wales) – Please pray for the new Christianity Explored course starting here.

HMP Ford (West Sussex) – Please continue to pray for the team running a service here on Easter Sunday (1st) and for the prisoners who will hear the Gospel through this.

HMP Haverigg (Cumbria) – Please pray for our service on Easter Sunday and for the ongoing mid-week group here.

HMP Holme House (County Durham) – Please pray for the prisoners who will hear the Gospel through our services here on the 15th April.

HMP Swansea (South Wales) – Give thanks for encouraging Life Explored sessions here recently. Please keep praying for the men who come to this course each week.

HMP Thorn Cross (Cheshire) – Please pray for our volunteers organising the service here on the 29th April and for Glyn as he preaches.

Ex-offenders – Please pray for Harry as he is released and mentored by a local pastor and continue to pray for Jack as he settles into a new church in North Wales.

Finance – Thank you to all of you who have been praying for our financial situation. We are so thankful for the way the Lord has answered prayer with the income for February and March being much improved. Please continue to pray that the necessary funds would be provided each month.

Malcolm – Give thanks that Malcolm is now in good health and is back working alongside Nigel in the prison work in the West Midlands.

Pilgrims' Friends – Please pray for Glyn as he speaks about Daylight at the Pilgrims' Friends Home in Mirfield on 9th April.

Scotland – Please pray for the men attending the Christianity Explored course which is about to finish and for the Discipleship Explored course which will follow.

Pray too for the prisoners who have been recently released after
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attending the services and courses regularly. Many of them show a great interest whilst in prison but sadly do not continue to attend church after being released.

Solent Prayer & Support Group – Give thanks for an encouraging meeting of this group recently and pray for them as they consider entry into other prisons in their area.

West Midlands – Give thanks that the Managing Chaplain of a women's prison we worked in previously has said she would be happy for us to return to take part in Sunday services and pray that this will soon come about.

Give thanks too that a retired chaplain known to us has started sessional work in a couple of other prisons in the area and is very happy to involve Daylight in his services.

West Yorkshire Prayer & Support Group – Please pray for this group as they go into HMP Wealstun for the first time on the 8th April and for their meeting on the 24th April.

Whitby Evangelical Church – Pray for Steven giving a Daylight presentation here on 18th April. If you would like more information on this meeting, please contact us.

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