



Daylight Newsletter September 2018

At a recent service over seventy prisoners heard a message from Psalm 142 verse 4, where David writes “no man cared for my soul”. Many prisoners feel that no one cares about them, so this verse is something they can really identify with.

It was explained to them that we are different from all the rest of creation because we have souls and that there is a man who cares for our souls. Jesus left all the splendour of heaven to come to earth as a baby, because He cares for our souls. He lived on earth, suffered and died, because He cares for our souls.

The prisoners and some of the prison staff listened intently throughout the message and sang enthusiastically as we closed with the hymn *In Christ Alone*. We were able to speak to and pray with a number of them afterwards and many of them took daily reading booklets and text postcards.

We also gave Bibles to a few prisoners, including Lee who had asked for one at our last service. He was clearly delighted to have it and thanked us, saying, “I’ve finally got my Bible”, whilst hugging it to his chest.

Please pray that these men would remember the message they heard; for those who are already Christians that they would be encouraged as they think about how much their Saviour cares for them and for those who are unbelievers, that they would be challenged to see their need of the One who cares for their souls.



September Prayer Points

HMP Haverigg (Cumbria) – Please pray for the prisoners who will hear the Gospel through our service on 2nd September and for the continued opportunity we have to help with statutory duties here each week.

HMP Northumberland – Please pray for our services here on 23rd September, that prisoners will be challenged by the message they hear.

HMP Swansea (South Wales) – Please continue to pray for the prisoners studying Mark's Gospel on the Christianity Explored course here, that they will see who Jesus is, why He came and what that means for them today.

HMP Thorn Cross (Cheshire) – Please pray for the team running a service here on 30th September and for the prisoners that come.

HMP Wakefield (West Yorkshire) – Give thanks for the opportunity to run a service here on 16th September. Please pray that a good number of prisoners will come and listen attentively.

A – Please pray for A who has recently been released and linked to a Bible-believing church, that the Lord will grant him a godly grief which will produce repentance and salvation.

Christianity Explored – Some prisons in the North have recently expressed interest in having the Christianity Explored course delivered. Please pray that this will come to fruition.

Letter Writing – Please continue to pray for all the prisoners who receive letters through our letter writing and that a new volunteer near to our office in Chelmsford would be found to run this. If you would like to know more about the role, please contact Hannah by emailing hannah@daylightcpt.org or calling 01245 252735.

Prison Officers – Give thanks that two prison officers who have

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attended Daylight services have recently asked to be baptised. Please pray for them as they take this step and publicly declare their faith.

Scotland – Please pray for S who has just been released. He has completed the Life Explored and Christianity Explored courses recently and is hoping to attend a good evangelical church. Pray that he will come to know Christ as his Lord and Saviour and grow in spiritual understanding.

Please also pray that many prisoners would be willing to commit to the present Discipleship Explored course on a regular basis and to discuss issues with which they struggle.

Trustees – Please pray for Daylight's trustees as they meet on 5th September.

West Yorkshire Prayer & Support Group – Please continue to pray for this group who will be meeting on 25th September. Some of the group are currently having their prison security clearance processed, so please pray that this will go through smoothly.

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Over the next few weeks, we will be giving presentations at a number of churches. If you are nearby and would like to hear more about Daylight's work, we would love to see you.

St Paul's Free Church, Bexhill – Wednesday 5th September at 7:15pm
www.stpaulsfreechurchbexhill.org.uk

Maryport Street Baptist Chapel, Devizes – Tuesday 11th September at 7:30pm
www.maryportstreetbaptist.org.uk

Thornhill Baptist Church, Dewsbury – Wednesday 12th September at 7:30pm
www.tbchurch.org.uk

Grove Chapel, London – Wednesday 3rd October at 8pm
www.grovechapel.org

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