



Prison Fellowship (PF) was founded in the 1970s, with groups of volunteers now serving in 118 prisons in England and Wales. Prayer underpins all PF does. PF volunteers and staff demonstrate God's love and compassion for all in prison, through courses such as Sycamore Tree, Angel Tree, the Prayer Line, Letter Writing, helping families to visit, and assisting in the prison chapel. There are extraordinary testimonies of prisoners finding faith in prison, so all the hard work, sacrificial love and our prayers are worth it!

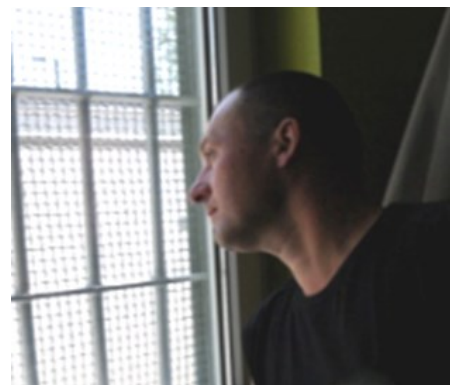


"Sycamore Tree has massively opened my eyes and I realise what pain and suffering I caused to other people. I won't hurt people again."

"It's made me look at myself, what kind of person I am. I want to change."

Churches and other groups in Lewes are involved in supporting our local prison,

including LOSRAS members who prioritise helping foreign nationals - those in jail with little English language, no understanding of why they are in jail, and no family to visit them.



One of the crises of our time is that UK prisons are overcrowded and expensive to run, and we are particularly poor at rehabilitation of prisoners, rather than just retribution. Incarceration leads to more violence and

hopelessness, a cycle which repeats itself, often through generations.



Please pray for more thoughtful initiatives by the government, as well as groups and companies, to encourage education, skills training, rehabilitation and employment for (ex) offenders when they leave jail. The Clink Charity does amazing work to train inmates in cooking, catering and serving skills, so that they are employable on release, as does City & Guilds partnering with HMP to teach railway maintenance. These are not just skills learned but the value of improved self-worth, confidence, and an incentive to live a new life on release.

All of us can help with our compassion, prayers and support for Prison Fellowship and prison staff, recognising the need for prisoners to be accepted as people whom Jesus loves and whom He died for!

TRINITY SOUTH MALLING CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY

Sat 13th July from 10am

All welcome - please come and join us!



CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION

... is part of the Christian life. We honour the Creator when we care for creation. We show love to our neighbours when we care about the places they live, near and far. And we work for justice when we seek to tackle climate change and halt the loss of nature.

One of the five marks of mission identified by the Church of England is: To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

¹⁶ 'Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.

¹⁷ ... This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth.' (Genesis 9:16,17)



NEEDED FOR OUR CHURCHYARDS

Any offers of corrugated iron sheets (preferably) or tough black plastic sheeting, to make hiding places for grass snakes, slow worms and other small creatures in our churchyards would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Contact Mary Boyum 07803 630831

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MISSION PARTNERS



Lisa is so grateful for your prayers for the process of gradually registering Pearl of Grace (POG) as an NGO. It has been such a help to find an efficient lawyer who has a heart for POG. She is building up a network of key people who are giving support and advice to her in the work with young girls. Please pray for Lioness and Levani (Lisa's daughters) starting 6 weeks of holiday that can be a challenge for Lisa balancing with other commitments.



LIFE IN ABUNDANCE
UNITED KINGDOM

Praise God for the partner churches and individuals who are part of the LIA family in the UK. Pray for more opportunities to share our story in UK churches, and that others would be drawn into partnership. Pray too for a number of strategic partnership opportunities that LIA-UK is currently pursuing.



Please pray as we develop our vision for the next 5 years in managing the multiple demands on FSW, especially as the statutory services are less able to provide support.

Pray for our service of thanks led by Bishop Martin and our AGM on 25th July at St Mary's Church Pulborough at 11.00am.

Pray as our food bank supplies are running low, a particular concern as we go into the school summer holidays, when many children will be without school lunches and school breakfasts.



As the garden party planned for 7th July had to be postponed, pray for trustee Jane Lee (the organiser) to recover quickly and fully from Covid and for a suitable alternative date to be found. Pray for those who were planning to support the garden party, and please pray especially for the people of Lewes and district whom HOMELINK serves to find a permanent roof over their heads.



Pray for Bible Society's work in the Gulf States. There are many migrant workers, who build skyscrapers in cities like Dubai and work in homes of the super-rich but live in appalling conditions.

Abebe lives in Bahrain, where the official language is Arabic and English is widely spoken, but she speaks Amharic, an Ethiopian language. Bible Society shares God's word in all kinds of languages to serve the remarkably multicultural community of migrant workers in the Gulf countries. Abebe received a Bible in her own language, which made all the difference as she engaged with its message.



The Leprosy Mission hospital in Nilphamari, North Bangladesh, provides treatment for around 1000 people who are suffering with Leprosy every year. The region is prone to flooding and this along with desperate poverty means that diseases like Leprosy are rife. The hospital is a lifeline because poverty and stigma prevent access to healthcare anywhere else.



Pray for our expert team of 28 Search & Rescue Chaplains and for their health, spiritual and mental wellbeing during this busy time of year at Beachy Head. Pray that each chaplain may walk in God's full armour to carry His light to those in darkness and that they will be in the right place at the right time and reach out speedily to those in crisis.



CAFÉ 12/31

Tues to Sat 9.30am - 2.00pm
Lunches are served daily 10.30am to 1.30pm



Have you been to the Café at St John's yet? It's a great place to meet friends, to have a coffee or ice cream or to eat a delicious lunch.

Why not try it?

Over the summer the Café will be closed during the following periods:

Tuesday 23rd July - Monday 5th August
Tuesday 27th August - Monday 2nd September



GIVING TO TRINITY

You can give to support the ministry of TRINITY in a variety of ways. If you are a regular member or consider TRINITY your church, the best way to give is through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) TRINITY's parish code 100610471.

You can make direct internet payments to our bank account. Name: TRINITY Southover Church Council. Sortcode: 20 49 76. Account Number: 20775894. You can also give using our contactless systems at our sites.



If you are able to gift-aid your donation please email Bill our treasurer, and he will give you the relevant form: finance@trinitylewes.org

Our website has more details: <https://trinitylewes.org/about/giving/>

ECO TIP FOR JULY FROM A ROCHA UK

Taste the benefits of seasonal and local food.

Plan to incorporate locally grown produce into your diet and shopping list throughout the seasons, as it is harvested at its peak ripeness, ensuring superior flavour compared to imported alternatives that have travelled thousands of miles. If saying grace before a meal is a regular practice in your household, this month, include giving thanks for your local food producers.



TRINITY Southover is normally open for prayer
Monday to Friday during the day
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