

# PRAYER DIARY

WEEKLY PRAYER DIARY  
FOR LANGLEY TRUST



AUTUMN 2023

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
4 SEPTEMBER**

**FORGIVENESS**

Our Langley theme for the month is 'Forgiveness'. Forgiveness is at the heart of the Gospel and is good news to our clients, many of whom have committed offences against others and have themselves been treated poorly.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank God for His grace, mercy and forgiveness towards us.
- Pray for victims of crime, and for all of us, that we would experience the Lord's healing, and the freedom and release that comes from forgiving those who have hurt us.
- Pray for those who work in all areas of restorative justice between offenders and victims of crime.

*'Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.'* Colossians 3: 13

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
11 SEPTEMBER**

## **THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

This year Langley celebrates 65 years of helping people live crime free lives. Over those 65 years Langley has supported literally thousands of people and throughout that time Langley have known the faithfulness of the Lord- there is much to give thanks for. This week brings to a close 3 months of celebrations, culminating on 12th September in a Thanksgiving Service for the work of Langley, at Christ Church, Spitalfields.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank the Lord for His faithfulness to Langley and to the many clients who have been supported over the years.
- Pray that the Thanksgiving Service will be a celebration of all that the Lord has done, giving Him His rightful thanks and praise.
- Pray for the Lord's favour on Langley, as we look to the future.

‘Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.’ Psalm 95: 2-3

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
18 SEPTEMBER**

## **REFERRALS TEAM**

The Referrals team is small and essential! They are usually the first point of contact for those seeking to place clients in one of our services and wanting to understand more about how we work, and what we offer. Therefore, it is vital that these colleagues are knowledgeable and welcoming, calm and able to assess information provided quickly and clearly, recognising that they are often dealing with people under pressure themselves.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank God for the successful appointment of a new Referrals Coordinator, Paula, who started at the end of July. As well as thanks for Referrals Co-ordinator, Phamie, who has been a constant and indispensable support for the team; along with Temporary Administrator, Ang, who has been a great asset to the team.
- Please pray for the successful recruitment of a new Referrals Coordinator.
- Pray for Referrals Manager, Natasha, that she is able to create new referral pathways that will lead to appropriate referrals where Services are able to offer accommodation and support to clients who need it.

‘This is what the Lord says your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: “I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is good for you and leads you along the paths you should follow’ Isaiah 48: 17

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
25 SEPTEMBER**

## **KAINOS**

Kainos delivers 'Challenge to Change' at HMP Lancaster Farms.

It is an accredited therapeutic behavioural programme which offers men the chance to live and work in a community type setting for the duration of this 6-month programme so that they can be supported and challenged appropriately.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Give thanks to God for the incredibly hard work of the Kainos facilitators and for all the passion and effort they bring to their roles.
- Pray that Kainos meets all of the targets and expectations of the Ministry of Justice (MOJ).
- Pray that the team can help all of the men who take part in the programme.

*'Don't copy the behaviour and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.'* Romans 12: 25

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
2 OCTOBER**

## **JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

Our Langley theme for the month is 'Jesus, the Good Shepherd'. It is an image of love and protection and of the ultimate sacrifice of laying down His life for us, His sheep.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank the Lord for His self-sacrificing love for each one of us, no matter what we have done.
- Pray that Langley clients and staff would begin to understand how much they are loved- that Jesus treasures them enough to die for them.
- Pray that the truth of Jesus being their Good Shepherd, would transform the lives of Langley clients and staff.

*'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.'* John 10: 11

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
9 OCTOBER**

## **PRISONS WEEK**

Prisons Week is taking place from October 8th to 14th. For more than 40 years Prisons Week has prepared prayer literature to enable the Christian community to pray for the needs of all those affected by prisons: prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system and the many people who are involved in caring for those affected by crime on the inside and outside of our prisons. Langley is one of the sponsoring organisations of Prisons Week.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank God for the organisations who come together to create the Prisons Week campaign.
- That this year's campaign would raise awareness and generate prayer for all those affected by prisons.
- All those affected by prisons (prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system) would have hope for the future.
- Use the information on the Prisons Week [prisonsweek.org](http://prisonsweek.org) to direct your prayers.

For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord.  
"They are plans for good and not for disaster, to  
give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29: 11

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
16 OCTOBER**

## **FINANCE TEAM**

Our Finance Team has a far reaching impact across the Trust with regular interactions with all services and central teams. This ranges from ensuring that suppliers are paid correctly, through to managing the receipt of payments from funders across a number of income streams, in addition to the production of the monthly management accounts, which allows the senior team within the Trust to monitor and track financial performance.

The Finance Team contains vast specialist knowledge and expertise and is a real asset to the Trust as we strive to ensure that we are stewarding our financial resources in the best way possible.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank God for His ongoing financial provision and favour for the Trust and the resources that He has blessed us with to use in transforming people's lives for his glory.
- For wisdom and discernment as the team lead the organisation through the budget process for the coming financial year. The work for this takes place in October and November and goes to the board for review in January.
- For a deepening to what are already strong relationships, with services, as the team supports services with all financial matters.

And God is able to give you more than you need,  
so that you will always have all you need for  
yourselves and more than enough for every good  
cause. 2 Corinthians 9: 8

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
23 OCTOBER**

## **MARIPOSA**

Mariposa is a project Langley delivers in partnership with Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust and has been receiving female clients since January 2020.

The women who are referred here have usually come from hospitals and secure units, often having spent many years in an institutional setting. They often have complex emotional and psychological needs and require a great deal of professional support within this multi-disciplinary team.

Trauma, fear and brokenness play out in addiction and self-harm for so many of Mariposa's clients. Our staff need to be especially resilient, compassionate and good with setting clear boundaries to deliver the work that is required here.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank Jesus for His presence- He is indeed our Prince of peace.
- Hope, as the team trusts God that clients will find the needed motivation and stamina to continue to engage and make the most of the care and support provided.
- For improved relationships between clients and their families.
- Harmony within the team and for a re-focussing for any tired or weary minds. Pray for God to bless all involved in the service with good physical and mental health, now and in the future.

*'I am leaving you with a gift, peace of mind & heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid.'* John 14: 27

**WEEK COMMENCING:  
30 OCTOBER**

## **ELIORA**

Eliora provides housing and tenancy services for men with multiple needs, mental health issues and substance misuse issues in Bedford and the surrounding area.

It also provides a tenancy sustainment service, helping clients to develop the skills required to successfully manage their tenancy

The service has a number of dispersed community houses and flats located across Luton, Bedford, Kettering, Northampton and Wellingborough.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Thank God for the progress with recruitment at Eliora.
- The team, as they lose some of their experienced staff and for the recruitment of quality new staff to the team. Pray that this would be a smooth transition for the service.
- For all empty rooms to be filled so that a great service can continue to be provided to people who need it.
- For all the houses in each location to be filled with peace, in order to enable to clients to move forward with their lives.

*'May the Lord himself, who is our source of peace, give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with you all.'* 2 Thessalonians 3: 16

WEEK COMMENCING:  
06 NOVEMBER

## JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Our Langley theme for the month is 'Jesus, the Light of the World'. At Langley, we have seen Jesus bring light into the darkest of situations and we hope for His light to transform the lives of those we work amongst.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Thank the Lord that His light shines into the darkest of situations and that the darkness has not overcome it.
- Pray for staff and clients to know the light of Jesus in their lives.
- Pray that Langley would shine the light of Jesus in our partnerships with other agencies and organisations.

'Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, 'I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.' John 8: 12

WEEK COMMENCING:  
13 NOVEMBER

## LONGCROFT

Longcroft is a registered care home for men who have offended or are at risk of offending, and who present with multiple needs, including substance misuse, mental health needs or a learning disability.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Thank God for the Longcroft team and for the work they do with sometimes particularly complex and challenging clients. Pray for them to remain resilient and refreshed.
- Pray for spiritual protection over the staff, clients and the work of Longcroft.
- Pray that, as clients move on, rooms will be filled with clients who will most benefit from being at Longcroft and for there to be a good fit with clients who are already resident.

'Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand' Ephesians 6: 13

WEEK COMMENCING:  
20 NOVEMBER

## IXION

The Ixion project is a collection of three specialist services who:

- Provide housing advice and support to Long Term Sentenced offenders in prisons in the south east of England and support them in re-integrating into the community and work to provide them with a secure home on their release.
- Provide a specialist debt and gambling support service in the West Midlands working with vulnerable clients in prison and in the community to get their debts reduced and written off and to achieve positive outcomes.
- Support clients with gambling addictions and work with them to achieve greater awareness of their addiction so that they can access specialist mainstream services.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Thank God for His favour on this small team of advisors, who exceed expectations in the outcomes that they achieve for clients.
- Clients of the debt service can initially feel suicidal and desperate. Pray that clients will be able to trust that there is a solution to their debt problems and that they can access the emotional support needed, so their confidence and sense of self sufficiency increases.
- Pray for God's grace and direction for the continuation of the contract for this vital service and for the staff who work there.

'Without good direction, people lose their way; the more wise counsel you follow, the better your chances.' Proverbs 11: 14 *The Message*

WEEK COMMENCING:  
27 NOVEMBER

## MURRAY LODGE

Murray Lodge provides housing, support and resettlement services for men with multiple needs, issues relating to poor mental health and substance misuse. It also provides floating support for clients living within the community.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Thank God for the amazing work of the team at Murray Lodge and for the addition of a new, local move-on property.
- Pray for the new staff team bedding in, as they get to know one another as well as the clients.
- Pray for the team as they plan a sustainable business model for the Council contract.

'Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.' Colossians 2: 7



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