



# Off The Fence Monthly Prayer Letter

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## February 2017



**'Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for Him." The Lord is good to those who hope is in Him.'**

**Lamentations 3 v 22-25.**

### Antifreeze

#### Praise:

- For how God is blessing many clients at the Bible Discussions & Worship Services in the centre
- For all the help we receive from The Jugglers group and all of our other Volunteers.
- That one of our clients has been offered a viewing on a studio flat and others clients who have been assisted in finding accommodation

#### Prayer:

- For the mental health of some of our clients and for more help to be available to them.
- For many of our clients to find Jesus through the explicit and implicit ways that we express the Gospel and Christ's Love
- That throughout 2017 there would be a significant increase in clients finding permanent accommodation and employment through the help of our services

### Gateway

#### Praise:

- For the Wellbeing Wednesday Workshops that bring hope and enjoyment into the lives of our women
- For the dedication of our volunteers who help to make Gateway a safe and friendly service
- For the donated new shelving that has helped us to manage our storage space more efficiently

#### Prayer:

- For anyone who is finding life unbearable at the moment and are struggling with suicidal thoughts.
- For the women who are afraid to put their heating on during this cold spell in case they run up a bill they will be unable to pay
- For the many women who need to attend a benefits appeal hearing

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## Schools and Youth

### Praise:

- For our new team member, Ali who is settling well. She is already a valuable member of the team
- That we had enough team and volunteers to cover our biggest Reflection Space of the year at Patcham Junior School
- For the great engagement from students at both Cardinal Newman School and King's School as we look at 'Big Questions' this term

### Prayer:

- For our current Prayer Space at St Andrew's School in Nuthurst
- For the possibility of working with students who are experiencing loss and grief at Cardinal Newman School
- For the 3 new mentees we will be meeting with in the coming weeks. Please pray that the team would be a real support to the mentees in their situations

## General

### Praise:

- For the amazing opportunities that have arisen from Paul's visit to No10 Downing Street, including council meetings and policy changing
- That God has allowed us to represent His name in Brighton and Hove for the past 20 Years
- For an amazing team to see us through 2017

### Prayer:

- For great wisdom as we prepare strategic planning for the ministry over the next five years
- For the space we need to house all the different projects
- For a great release of finance and increase of favour in the City, so our projects can expand
- For more volunteers to support and champion the work of Off the Fence
- That we might get the grant of £2200 to pay for the desperately needed office swap, including new equipment and computer costs

**Thank you for your support and prayers as we serve God.**

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