



Off The Fence Monthly Prayer Letter

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December 2017



"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" - which means, "God with us". "

Matthew 1 v 23

Antifreeze

Praise:

- For all the great work that Cerys has done at Antifreeze and for God raising up another Keyworker at the perfect time to step into Cerys' place as Deputy Manager.
- For the launch of the Hygiene for All Project, involving our Hygiene and Laundry outreach vans.
- For an increasing sense of peace and order at the Antifreeze Day Centre.

Prayer:

- For Cerys as she goes off to YWAM in Los Angeles, USA to staff a Discipleship Training School.
- For David to adapt well to his new role as Deputy Manager.
- For the right person to fill David's previous role as Primary Keyworker.

Gateway

Praise:

- For the lovely Christmas gifts that have been donated in time to be included in gift bags for each Gateway client.
- For the very generous anonymous donation of ALL the items being purchased from our Amazon wish list – Christmas has come early to Gateway!
- For the friendship and peer support that grows out of the women meeting together in the small group workshops.

Prayer:

- For the women who are adversely affected by the seasonal change with shorter, darker days.
- For the women feeling low and having suicidal thoughts.
- For the women who feel isolated and will spend the Christmas season alone.

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Schools & Youth

Praise:

- For year 11's at Cardinal Newman School who are doing a Big Sleep Out of their own to raise money for Antifreeze.
- For a great Prayer Space at St Nicolas and St Mary's School.
- For a good start to the Alpha course with year 9 students at Cardinal Newman School.

Prayer:

- For 3 lots of lessons which have just started at King's School and Blatchington Mill School – pray that we would be able to teach well and help those in our groups.
- For our annual advent Prayer Space at King's School, Portslade.
- For the team as we think through the strategy and plans for next year.

General

Praise:

- That the official launch of the Hygiene for All van project on the 28th November was well received by all who attended.
- That our store room for the homeless is fully stocked and financially, November was the best November we have had in our 20 year history, enabling us to help so many more people.
- For the incredible favour of the whole community in this our 20th Anniversary year. The story which is Off the Fence has been nothing short of miraculous—To God be the Glory!

Prayer:

- That as doors continue to open to us, we will make the most of every opportunity and Glorify Jesus in all that we do.
- For much needed storage space to become available to store all of the generous donations from our supporters.
- And lastly, please pray for our January and February finances. These are usually the most difficult months of the year but also our busiest. We would love to be encouraged with an increase in monthly givers.

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

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