

Mission and Outreach - Keith Croxton



The Centre: Give thanks that The Centre is not going on the market in the foreseeable future and we may therefore be looking at a further lease extension. **Pray for** wisdom as we take this forward and consider making an offer for the site at the appropriate time.

Food Bank: Continue to **pray for** those in our community who are in crisis and in need to emergency food. Pray that the food parcels will make a real difference to their lives and that through this ministry they may know something of God's love and compassion.

Mission to the Elderly: Continue to **pray for** the weekly services at Clarendon House. Pray that through the services and the conversations we will be able to share God's love and grace to the residents and staff.

Saturday Morning Coffee Service: Please pray that for the Saturday Coffee Café during the summer months. There will be more visitors, **pray for** the opportunities to share what God is doing in our church

Tuesday Lunch: There are 80 attending regularly and include the lonely, vulnerable and young mum's and children. The summer outing will be a river trip on the Thames with a picnic lunch. **Please pray for** all the arrangements.

Mission Partners 2025: Last month we prayed for two of our mission partners we will be supporting this year via the tithe, **SOMA** and **Open Doors**. Three more of our partners are mentioned for prayer elsewhere in the prayer leaflets this month, **Bradford Link**, **Created Creative** and **Holiday Club**.

A sixth partner we will be supporting this year is :**Christian Concern**

Christian Concern is passionate about bringing the love, justice truth, freedom and hope of Jesus to the heart of society. They believe that Jesus is good news for society and is as relevant today as he has ever been and that a flourishing future is shaped around him

They also recognize its becoming harder to be a Christian in UK today. So they are working to make Jesus and his ways known, to protect the freedom to live and speak for him and to empower Christians to be compassionate and courageous ambassadors

They are dedicated to assisting Christians who are victims of persecution/prosecution due to the practice their faith. They work to raise public awareness and provide advocacy for prosecuted Christians.

Created Creative (CC): Emma Elias



Thank you for your prayers and support over the last month for this ministry area, we appreciate and value them.

Thank God for the May sessions that happened both online and face to face, including the creative sessions at the Oxford Diocese Clergy conference, Swanwick.

Please pray for the sessions both in person and face to face in June and for the team who are facilitating them.

Please pray for those attending sessions and those who have recently attended sessions, especially those new to creativity, for the Lord to touch their hearts and to bring them closer to Him, for healing and restoration.

More details from: info@createdcreative.co.uk

Our Church link BD7 churches, Bradford [Adam Dickson, associate vicar]



We give thanks to God for the many blessings we receive.

Please continue to pray for John and Jeanie as they start their new life in Aquitaine and **pray too** for John's licensing on the 8th June.

Please continue to pray for Adam, the leadership team and all members of the BD7 churches as we start to work through the vacancy process.

Please pray:

- That more volunteers will feel God calling them to serve Him in this parish.
- For the Share Church on a Wednesday afternoon at 4pm at St John's. This is a new outreach project led by curate Millie Cork, and includes a time of worship, activities and a simple meal. Pray for more families to join them.

Prayer for the World: Zena Greig

'He makes wars cease to the end of the earth' Psalm 46v9.

Let's pray with faith that God will make war cease in the Middle East.

Pray for those in power, for peacemakers, for refugees and for the injured and bereaved. **Ask God** to intervene in what seem to be an impossible situation. He has changed the course of history before and He invites us to pray with confidence.

Open Doors: Betsy Kolkea



Pakistan is much in the news these days, so this month it seems opportune to be remembering our Christian brothers and sisters in that country.

Pakistan is number 8 on Open Door's World Watch List, placing it near the top of the most dangerous places in the world today to be a Christian. Only 1.8% of the population are Christians and they are disproportionately targeted with blasphemy allegations, which can lead to mob violence, social exclusion, and even murder. Last year a 73 year old Pakistani Christian, Lazar, was brutally beaten to death after being falsely accused of burning the Quran. Girls and women are vulnerable to abduction, forced marriage, sexual violence and forced conversion. All of this, along with regular attacks on Christian homes and buildings, creates an on-going culture of fear.

Let's pray Matthew 10:28 on these brave and courageous fellow Christians: 'Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul.' And let's allow ourselves and our own faith to be challenged - how would we respond if we faced even a small part of the persecution Pakistani Christians face?

Let's pray protection around them, that they will be reminded that God will never leave them or forsake them.

Let's pray for changes in law, an end to mob violence, and that the church of Christ in Pakistan will be strengthened as the witness of Christians there shines bright.'



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Ministries we value and support.

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