

# TK Prayer Letter

## Autumn 2016

*Welcome to the Autumn 2016 edition of our Prayer Letter.*

*Listed below are prayer points, that we ask you to pray for, individually and in your churches.*

**Scripture:** Numbers 6: 24-26

*"The LORD bless you and keep you;  
25 the LORD make his face shine on you and be  
gracious to you;*

*26 the LORD turn his face toward  
you and give you peace."*



### Care Team

The Team have now finalised the programme of care for women at the Centre. Thank you for your prayers as they have fine tuned this over many months

Pray for the team as they work to meet all the legal and regulatory requirements for the Centre

Also pray for wisdom and discernment in the decision making for all the staffing requirements.

### Residential Manager

The post of Residential Manager has been advertised, and we believe that God has already chosen the person to fulfil this role.

Pray that he will lead and direct her to TK. That she responds to the advertisement and that this vacancy will soon be filled, enabling the TK Centre to move nearer to opening its doors to women seeking our help to build a new life.

When interviewing the applicants for the role of Residential Manager at the Centre at Witnesham commence, pray that the Lord will give guidance and wisdom to the Board and Care Team in their decision making.

### TK Board

TK would like to see more women trustees on the Board, so please pray that the right people come to the attention of the Trustees.

### Financial Provision

Pray for guidance for Julia Miller that she is guided to the right people and places to apply for funding and for insight in the right approach as TK puts in claims for Centre operational, rather than capital funding.

### Women Together (WT)

The WT groups are continuing to grow with more women attending each week. Six WT taster sessions are being held at Turning Point, a national health and social care provider based in Ipswich helping those with mental health, learning disabilities and substance misuse issues among other things.



Please pray for the WT leadership team that they will continue to get alongside the women who attend groups and help them in their progress towards recovery. That the Lord will continue pouring out his love to the women and that they will respond to him.

The exciting news is that TK has been offered new venues in Ipswich to start more groups. To enable this to happen, we need more volunteers to work with Jenny and her team. If you feel that you can help in this way, please contact the office for more information.

### Particular Points for Prayer:

- for those women struggling with their addictions and trying to overcome them
- wisdom to know how to help the women effectively
- that the right people come forward to help lead the groups
- that new women will continue to come along
- protection for Jenny, Sarah, Abi and Sam as they lead the groups and seek to reach women on a weekly basis.

### Overall TK Family

Please pray:-

- that the team continues to grow in fellowship and strength of unity as they strive to maintain the momentum as the project moves forward.
- for Ken Donaldson that he is led to the right people for advice and support.
- that the Lord continues to fashion TK according to his will and may we never lose sight of his presence in the project.
- that Ken and Ian Cameron (volunteering to work alongside Ken at this stage) continue to build good relationships with other recovery professionals in the area in order to establish collaborative sharing and working in the community.

### London to Paris Bike Ride

They did it! Darren and Sam successfully completed this demanding challenge and raised over £3,000 for TK.

Thank you to all who supported them through prayer or sponsorship. Give praise and thanks to the Lord for their safe return.



### Events Team

The events team put together several fund raising events throughout the year.

We need more people to work with the team leader to help with the planning and organising of these events.

Pray that more people will step forward to help and if you, or someone you know, is interested in working with the team please contact the office.

### Witnesham Site

Thank the Lord for the work in progress at the TK Site. Continue to pray for Adrian and Yvonne the owners of White House Farm, who are so dedicated to the project and cheerfully give of their time to help the work move forward.



Pray for Toby, (on-site contractor), who has faithfully put in time and effort to complete the build so professionally, and for his friendly and cheerful disposition.

### Building Team



As Accommodation Block A is nearing completion, the team are very busy putting into place plans for work to begin on Accommodation Block B. This building initially will be temporary accommodation for the administration and resource facilities for the residential centre at Witnesham.

Pray that Accommodation Block B work will go ahead as planned to enable the residential Centre to open as scheduled.

### Volunteers

There are many volunteers on our database, but it is so often the same few that respond to our requests for help. To those people we are extremely grateful for the time and effort they put in and we would not be where we are today without their help.

Pray that more of our volunteers, and new ones, respond to our requests for help, so that the workload may be lightened.

### Can you be a Prayer Warrior?

The trustees and many professional volunteers have complex issues to direct, from the Centre and Women Together groups to construction and financial needs, fundraising, governance, PR and strategy. Please continue to pray for them.

We believe that prayer is the fundamental base to all that we do at TK

Would you like to be a *specific prayer warrior*, for an individual trustee, or for the work that TK is doing? Prayer warriors can be for a season, or continuous prayer people. They can also gather others around them to pray as well.

Please give this some serious thought as to whether you are prepared to take on this role in your area. If so, please contact the TK office.

### Support from the Churches

TK gives thanks for the commitment of many churches in the Ipswich and surrounding areas and for the many ways in which support is offered, from premises use to the offering of people skills to individual and church financial giving.

### Pray for Health and Well Being

As most of you know, the whole project is underwritten by prayer. TK is constantly 'under attack' - especially key people to the project, with too many coincidences of accident or ill health.

Pray for protection for all involved with the project and especially for all key workers.

**GIVE THANKS** for all that has been achieved so far.

For all the people who have taken the challenge of the vision and stuck with it.

It has been more than eleven years since the original vision for TK. We are delighted that so many women are being supported and given hope through the Women Together groups. As we edge ever closer to the opening of the residential rehabilitation Centre please rejoice and pray with us as an enormous amount of energy and resource is directed towards the completion of the first phase of the Centre's development and the prospect of women being cared for at the Centre appears on the very near horizon!



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