Littlehampton Churches Together

PRAISE

From Turning Tides

- for the amazing and continuing partnership work with a coalition between the public, church, charity, and commercial sectors so we ensure vision, cooperation, and compassion.
- for the local cooperation which has enabled a rapid response to support over 50 people at risk of street homelessness, finding them alternative housing arrangements for a short while longer.
- for achieving this in such a short space of time, which is entirely due to the extraordinary partnership efforts of our dedicated staff at Turning Tides, our colleagues at Worthing Borough Council, and the supportive approach taken by the Chatsworth owners and many of the wider community. We are full of praise for all of them.
- for our dedicated staff and volunteers who continue to support our homeless men and women at a very difficult time and that they find the strength in the weeks and months to come to help them build the stable and brighter future they deserve.
- for how well our homeless community who were affected by these rapid, unexpected moves on arrangements, managed themselves, despite the fear and distress they experienced.
- for the Government's announcement earlier this week that more funds will be released to support homeless men and women beyond the 'Everyone In' initiative. We watch closely to see how far that money stretches across the country and, in particular, if any of those funds enable meaningful changes in the lives of the local men and women we support.

WEEKLY PRAISE AND PRAYER

Week beginning 05.07.20

From Churches

- that a good number of people who have connected with us at All Saints since lockdown have responded to the invitation to an online gettogether.
- for opportunities for good spiritual conversations with family and friends
- for the ongoing, faithful help of neighbour caring for neighbour who is shielding
- we are blessed to live in an area with a relatively low infection rate
- for the easing of restrictions which have allowed grandparents and grandchildren to be able to meet again

For all Key Workers – (second half from last week)

- Police and support staff
- Ministry of Defence civilians
- Armed Forces personnel
- Fire and Rescue services
- National Crimes Agency staff
- Border security staff, prison and probation staff and other national security roles
- air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport
- staff needed for essential financial services provision
- oil, gas, electricity, and water sectors (including sewerage)
- information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies
- postal services and delivery
- waste disposal sectors

THANK YOU



From Paul Sanderson – Chaplain at The Littlehampton Academy and Sir Robert Woodard Academy, Lancing

- Please pray for the staff at TLA who are working on multiple different plans for September so that we have good options when we come back.
- Pray for the year 6 pupils coming to TLA. The transition could be tricky due to Covid so pray for as smooth as possible online in July and face to face in September.

From Churches

- for comfort for the recently bereaved of a longstanding, much-loved church member (LBC) and that the Word of God preached at the funeral will resonate with them and bring them to salvation
- that the Pre-School (on our premises) will be given wisdom as to the way forward
- for those facing very uncertain and insecure futures
- that the public will practise common sense and awareness of others as restrictions are lifted
- that the government will balance boosting the economy with good housekeeping
- for Churches Together as we respond to the council's request to plan an event to honour those who worked so hard through the pandemic, to keep us safe, treated and served. To remember those who lost their lives and those who are grieving. To plan a service which will not only meet the need for our town to gather and unite but to bring in a Gospel Message of hope. Please pray for this opportunity for His church, being called to serve our town.
- that those who have connected with us at AS would come to faith and find fellowship and community in the

church as we begin to meet together as well as online.

• for wisdom in knowing how and when to begin introducing public worship again in a way that is open, welcoming, respectful of the current situation and to build up the church family. I sense that this will be greatly valued but also a potential cause for concern.

SUMMER CAMP IS ON

After much praying and thinking and based on a comprehensive Risk Assessment and advice from various officials, the decision was taken to run the Camp this year - its 18th year.

Having contacted all the families who were booked in before lockdown, only 4 families have pulled out for various reasons. This gives us 32 children, aged 9-11, and a smaller team of young leaders - 25. The dates are **Monday 10**th - **Friday 14**th **August**. The team will arrive on the campsite on the Sunday afternoon to start setting up.

We need your help - PLEASE!

- Pray for every aspect of camp.
- Give to the work of the camp there will be extra costs this year to enable us to follow the guidelines of social distancing.
 We have all saved fuel money by not using our

cars - how about giving some of your 'fuel' money to Summer Camp this year ...

- to sponsor a child to come to camp ... £75 covers the cost
- to help with the extra costs of hiring a larger marquee and separate tables and chairs
- > to go towards the camp insurance

Your gift will go towards children and young people hearing about Jesus

(More information next week)