

Prison

Pray for young men recently moved from Hydebank to Maghaberry. This is a difficult transition at any time but will be harder at the moment due to the current situation, especially for those with very little family support.

Pray for men and women who will be getting out on early release and are returning to a very different society and difficult family circumstances. Pray for them as they reconnect with family, and that they get the proper help and support even with the added complications Corona virus causes.

Volunteer

Even though we can't visit in prison during this time a volunteer has taken time to write to the men whom he visited regularly. Pray for these letters to be a great encouragement to the men and enable them to know they are not forgotten.

Give thanks for our volunteers who prepare and cook meals for our Hands Up programme. So many right now are benefiting from this food, and they are a timely reminder that someone genuinely cares about them.

Aftercare

Pray for Neil and Lynne as they manage visits to men and women in the community, in keeping with government guidelines. They not only give support, but also have co-ordinated the provision and delivery of emergency food and essential supplies to those in need.

Pray for the men Neil works with not to revert back to past coping strategies and behaviour and slip away from the amazing progress they have made. Pray they will continue to read the Bible, pray, and trust God with their lives. Pray that they know that Christ will see them through these times and out the other side.

Many of the women Lynne works with struggle with addictions, even more now during the lockdown and without family contact. Pray they will accept the help and freedom that Jesus offers.

Family

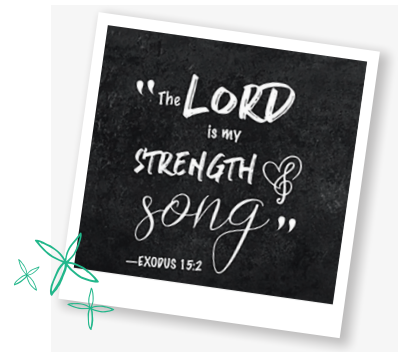
Pray for the many children who haven't been able to visit their parent in prison in months and are really struggling with missing this personal contact. Pray that the 'virtual family visits' will alleviate some of their confusion and distress.

Pray for wives and parents who feel they are fighting a losing battle with their family members' addictions. Pray they find strength to believe that God can change their lives.

We would love to offer support for the families and their children during the long summer months. It will have to be a 'virtual event' so pray for creative ideas and for Sandra as she explores how we can make this happen.

Date for your diary - Prayer Week 6-13th September

We have heard over the past weeks of the 'new normal' but what that looks like is unknown. Even though we won't be able to do the kinds of ministries we used to, we can still pray!



This year instead of hosting events for our Week of Prayer we will be providing them virtually, so please check on our website www.pfni.org for more details.



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