

General

'Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.' (1 Pet 1:3)



As we move forward with the building project, pray for all the decisions that need to be made in having the right people involved. Pray that everything about the project, and the way the Centre will be used in the future will bring glory to God.

Pray for a Family worker for the south west of the province. Pray that the right candidate would be found with a heart for bringing God's love and restoration to prisoners' families.

Family

Pray for the 'Send a Hug' project as families prepare hugs to send to the prison and as these are received. Pray that this will help to ease the isolation and pain of separation that many families are now experiencing.

Pray for families who are anxious due to the release of a family member, and who cannot have them return to the family home. Pray for wisdom for those working with families in these circumstances, that good decisions and wise choices would be made for the benefit of all involved.

Addiction affects the whole family and some people are really missing meeting with others at their 'addiction support group' as these aren't meeting due to restrictions. Pray for strength to keep battling against addictions.

Pray for families who have experienced the return of a family member to prison. Pray especially for elderly parents as they try to maintain contact and support their relative returned to jail. Pray for God's peace to surround parents who feel let down, frustrated and angry at what has happened.

Give thanks for the Prayer Group who provided an Easter book for children of the families we support. Pray that they and their families will read these; that they will know how much Jesus loves them and come to know Him.

Prison

Pray for Prison Chaplains who continue to support men and women spiritually and emotionally in a difficult context. Pray they know God's sustaining power, protection, and love each day.

Pray for all prison staff as they work tirelessly to protect and support those in prison. Pray for protection against Covid-19 and for strength to do this vital work each day.

Pray for prison Governors and leadership as they work through how to open up post-lockdown for our staff and volunteers to resume ministry again. Ask God to make a way.

Aftercare - Men

Give thanks for supportive churches and organisations that are helping ex-offenders with addiction, homelessness, unemployment, poverty, and debt. They are a great support to those whom we help.

Pray for P as he gets help from the CAP Fresh Start programme. He is also worried about prison and his future. Pray for us as we support him.

Pray for those we support through Aftercare. Many men have become completely isolated in the community. They are alone and depressed. Pray they know that they are not alone, that God cares and values each one.

Aftercare - Women

Lynne and Joanne have been spending time each week on the streets in Belfast meeting women they know from Aftercare, and new contacts. They have given packs of essential items and want to continue to do this. Pray these women will sense some hope and know that they are loved.

N struggles with alcohol addiction and recently her two little boys were taken into care. This is heart-breaking as she was doing so well and is such a good mum. N is determined to get better. Pray that she remains open to support.

R and her brother M contracted covid-19. Pray for a speedy recovery and that God would speak to them at this time.