

24/7 Prayer for Wycombe: May 2021 Prayer Sheet

We continue to pray for our town and for the many ministries working so hard to support so many people.

*“I call to you, Lord,
come quickly to me;
hear me when I call to you.
May my prayer be set before you like incense.”*

Psalm141:1-2a

Wycombe Youth For Christ

As restrictions are being lifted, we are finding more opportunities are available to reconnect with children and young people. We thank you for your continued prayers, as this is the foundation from which we minister, and it's a great blessing to know that you stand beside us and intercede for all that we do.

- **The Zone:** The Zone @ Home has been a blessing as we have built relationships with families across the area through this. This coming term there are a few changes, as we have opportunity to run this club in one school, so we can be face to face! But don't fear, we are also planning to run this alongside the Zone @ Home, so that those who are not able to join in at school, can still be involved. Please pray that both activities would be a blessing to many, and that Jesus would work in and through this for His glory. If you, or any family that you know, would like to join The Zone @ Home details about this and how to register can be found at www.wycombeyfc.org.uk/the-zone
- **Detached Youth Work Project:** We are hoping to start this month! This is an opportunity to connect with many young people and seek to support them and connect them to other events across the town and churches. Please pray that this would be a blessing to the community and would bring opportunity to support young people and connect them into other activities and events taking place. Please pray for the Team, Youth Workers and volunteers involved in this; pray for their safety and for God-appointed conversations.
- **Discipleship Group:** We are running a discipleship group for young people starting in June, focusing on exploring identity and giftings. Please pray that God would bring inspiration to the planning and content of the sessions and that we would see young people grow in their faith and relationship with Jesus.
- **Schools Ministry:** We are so thankful to God for the favour that He gives us with schools; we have seen schools inviting us back in to support children and young people in more ways than last term. Please praise God for this, and pray that we will continue to share His love, light and hope to those that meet.
- **Lockdown Transition Period:** As you may be able to imagine, this transition period (moving from being online to running face to face activities) is challenging; we are continuing to look at what we have been doing, what we're able to do, and seek to discern what needs to continue and what needs to stop. Please pray for God to grant us wisdom and discernment during this period; that we would also know His peace in our decisions, and times of rest during what will undoubtedly be a busy few months!

Thank you once again for all your support and love. All our upcoming events can be found on our website at www.wycombeyfc.org.uk/get-involved and you can sign-up to receive our updates

Wycombe Workplace Chaplaincy

- Give thanks that all the Chaplains have now received their vaccinations
- Give thanks for the shops opening again
- Pray for protection for those who are shopping in our town, as well as for staff in our shops
- Please pray for May 8th re-gathering of chaplains; this will be the first meet in person for fourteen months
- Please pray that God would direct the footsteps and conversations of the Chaplains, keep them safe and give them wisdom

For more details about getting involved in Chaplaincy in the future contact Wendy on Revwbull@gmail.com

Street Angels

Please pray:

- For wisdom to know when to start going out again as the venues reopen, to know whether to go out on a Friday or a Saturday night and what hours would be best for us.
- That more people would hear about Street Angels and would like to join the team and serve alongside us so we can cover every weekend.
- Giving thanks that Thames Valley Police see Street Angels as a valuable part of the night-time economy work and include us in planning meetings.
- That the relationships we've built with licensees, bouncers, taxi drivers and the public are protected and as strong as ever and that we can remember people's names!

Azalea

- Thank God for a fantastic picture of an explosion of colour in High Wycombe, with tins of paint exploding into the air, and the streets becoming a wonderful rainbow of colours. Pray that the influence of Azalea High Wycombe will cause the streets to be filled with God's colours, and the people released into the colour of salvation.
- Thank God for interest in our outreach worker post, and pray that He would bring the right person – someone who will love spending time with the women, and will overflow with His love for them.
- Our outreach teams have seen about 18 women, with varying degrees of engagement with them – from none at all, to in depth conversations and prayer. Please pray that we will continue to meet new women but will also have the opportunity to talk more with those we have already met, and to build relationship with them.
- Please pray for protection and favour for our prayer group, trustees, bakers, back up men, and everyone who has given gifts to Azalea High Wycombe.

For more information about the work of Azalea, or for more information or to apply for the job, contact joanna@azalea.org.uk

Wycombe YMCA

- Please pray for our Youth Team as they begin to plan for life after lockdown, to know how best to support the young people. Pray that the Lord will bring everything together in the right time for their good and His glory.
- Please pray for residents at the hostel
- Pray that the Lord will inspire more people to come forward to serve as volunteer Chaplains

WWFC Chaplaincy

Please pray:

- For wisdom and guidance as management makes plans for next season.
- For the health and wellbeing of everyone associated with the Club.
- That God would be glorified at the Club.

Lighthouse

- We give thanks that 9 of the 14 Lighthouses will run face to face weeks this summer, including all three of the High Wycombe Lighthouses: Cressex, Hazlemere and Wycombe.
- Please pray for strength for the leaders of Lighthouse; there are many decisions to be made and we pray for guidance in those decisions and wisdom in planning
- We ask Lord that you lay on the hearts of possible volunteers the fervent desire to serve, for provision in volunteers and resources
- Safeguarding is top of our mind and we thank you for all the expertise we can call on, to keep all our volunteers and children safe
- We pray your Word reaches the hearts and minds of families and children through Lighthouse and that Lighthouse will encourage both those attending and volunteering at Lighthouse to continue the journey of faith

CAP Centre at King's Church

PRAISE

- Praise God for Christians Against Poverty, that it tirelessly serves the poor, with Jesus' love at the centre of everything.
- As the government slowly brings us out of lockdown, so CAP will be re-starting home visits with effect from 21st June. Meeting clients face to face once more is good news.
- Give thanks to God, The Pastures Church are now also involved with CAP. They have just completed their first, "Life Skills Course" (online) with plans to run more throughout the year.

PRAYER

- Pray we get more clients as the lockdown eases.
- Pray for more Befrienders. Pray for Befrienders as they re-engage with client visits.
- Until that date (21st June) we are still delivering an online service. Pray clients would engage well and that there would be a good rapport between Debt Coach and client.
- Continue praying for many to be set free from debt.
- Our ultimate desire is to see people saved. Continue praying for opportunities to proclaim and openness to receive the gospel.
- Mental illness and depression continue to play a big part in holding some clients back. Pray for healing in Jesus' name.
- Pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Debt Coaches, CAP Money Coaches and CAP Life Skills Manager.

N.B. The Life Skills Course is a course designed to give basic life skills, (budgeting, cooking, etc.) to those surviving on a low budget.

Acts 10:38 "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and he went about doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with Him."

For further information or if you are interested in supporting the work of CAP in our town, please contact Ian Bickerstaffe on 07730 498267 or email ianbickerstaffe@capuk.org

Please continue to pray for:

- One Can Trust food bank
- Wycombe Homeless Connection
- Wycombe Burn 24/7
- Wycombe Refugee Partnership
- Wycombe Rent Deposit Guarantee Scheme
- Missional Prayer Community/Wycombe House of Prayer
- Our town: hospitals, doctors, emergency services, businesses and shops
- Schools, colleges and university
- Churches and church leaders

Tithe prayer for May: Praying for the world

Take some time now to pray for another country...perhaps India, with the rapid rise of Covid cases there or Myanmar, following the coup and violent crackdown on peaceful protesters. You might like to ask God to bring to mind a particular country that needs your prayers today.

*“I lift up my eyes to the mountains-
does my help come from there?
My help comes from the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.”*

Psalm 121:1-2