

***Telford Debt Centre Prayer Bulletin - July 2025***

‘Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.’

**Romans 12:15**

**So often we come across heartbreaking situations as we listen to the life stories of our clients. It can take time to build up trust, but as we seek to support them in their journey to become debt free we are aware of the importance of standing alongside them. We can rejoice with them when we see breakthroughs and positive changes in their circumstances. Equally, we can seek to understand the burdens they bear when life becomes overwhelming. Jesus ministered to those around him with a heart of compassion, he knew their pain and understood what they were going through. We also need a compassionate heart that draws alongside those we come into contact with, so we can rejoice when they rejoice and walk with them through the valleys. We iHican only do this when we surrender to God and allow him to work through us.**

**Central Support Hub**

Our Central Support Hub will be operating a more streamlined service and there will be support hubs working in new ways from next week onwards. The staff at Bradford need your prayers as the new organisation design takes shape.

There will be a focus on regional leads supporting the debt centres and working with the local churches to provide greater support for clients.

**Clients**

Thank God that one of our clients asked Jesus into her life recently. When I visited her to give her a Bible and some devotional booklets she introduced me to her friend who had had a very traumatic past. I shared the Gospel with this lady and she too accepted Jesus into her life. Please pray for L and her friend C that they will overcome the hurdle of meeting other believers in a church context. C does not read so this is another obstacle to overcome. Pray God will transform their lives and help them to get to know him more.

**Events**

Our CAP United conference was held in Peterborough on Wednesday 25th June. Lizzie, Hugh and Ann attended along with a large number of staff and volunteers from numerous Debt Centres across the Midlands and beyond.

The theme was ‘Boldness from Jesus for the Mission’ and was very encouraging. Our CEO Stewart McCulloch reminded us of how Jesus sent out the 72 to preach the Gospel and lives were touched as they went out in God’s strength.

There were helpful workshops and discussion groups throughout the day and it was a blessing to meet people who were serving God with a heart for the poor and a vision to see lives changed and empowered.

We also received some copies of Bear Grylls new book ‘The Greatest Story Ever Told’ which he has kindly donated to CAP for Debt Centres to give to their clients. What a blessing!

Our client summer BBQ will be held on Saturday 16th August at St Johns’ Muxton. Please pray as we advertise this to our clients, that they will have the courage to decide to come and join with us, as this can be difficult for some who find it a challenge to socialise.

**Volunteers and Befrienders**

Our new volunteer Sheila Jones has started to help out on visits with clients. Pray for Sheila that God will bless her and guide her as she seeks to reach out in friendship to clients and that she will settle into our team well.

Our latest volunteer event was a guided tour of Bridgnorth which Barry Church conducted very well. 14 of us attended and we enjoyed a lovely lunch at the Atrium in Bridgnorth High Street. A very enjoyable time together!

**Ann, Lizzie and Hugh**

Prayers are very much appreciated for Ann, Lizzie and Hugh. As well as visiting clients and working with them to become debt free there are numerous other activities involved in the work. We are currently working through annual refresher training from the Central Support Hub. Please pray for God’s equipping and strengthening for all they do.

**Partnership Team**

Our next Partnership meeting is on Wednesday 9th July. Please pray for guidance as we continue to work towards becoming a charity and for more trustees to come on board as well as a new chairman. We are thankful for all those who work hard to support the Telford Debt Centre.

**Publicity**

Pray for our CAP Telford presence at the Live Well Community Hub at Madeley Library, for the Madeley Baptist drop in, the drop in at Meeting Point House and the SASA Wellbeing Café where we have a CAP Telford presence.

Thank God for opportunities to share what we do. Lizzie gave a CAP talk at St Mary’s Stretton, Burton on Trent on Sunday 22nd June which was a real blessing.

Ann was manning a CAP stall on the same day along with Dave Williams at the Police Open Day event in Telford. We gave out balloons with CAP cards attached to advertise the debt help service, please pray that those who received them will contact us if they need help at any time.

**Finances and fund-raising**

Please pray the Lord will provide for us as a Telford Debt Centre and for our Central Office in Bradford.

Our next fundraiser will be the garden party on Saturday 19th July hosted by Rita and Barry Church. Please pray for good attendance and a successful day.

**Prayers**

God bless you and encourage you as you walk with him and we thank you again for standing alongside us in prayer. We know God will continue to move in amazing ways for our clients and their families as we intercede for them.

**The next CAP Prayers will be: 9am- 9:30am** on **Thursday 7th August**

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