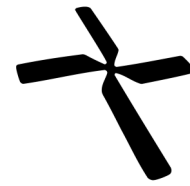


July



- ▶ Please pray for our Transitions Programme Residential for up to 30 children. We hope they will make friends, keep safe, have fun and gain in confidence.
- ▶ Pray for Young Parents taking their Maths exams. That they will feel prepared and be able to achieve their best.
- ▶ Pray that we may find the right person for the position of Outreach and Engagement Worker with our Young Parents Programme.
- ▶ Pray for Tizzy, Charlie and Jackie in Playgroup as they complete their observations, progress trackers and reports for the end of term.
- ▶ Please pray for many young families who are struggling with mental health issues.
- ▶ Pray that with reduced activities over the summer, families do not feel isolated.
- ▶ Pray for the many young people with Autism on our Aspire Programme waiting list. Please pray that we can find the best provision for them.
- ▶ Please pray for more volunteers for our Aspire programme, especially those who can commit and be ready to help straight away.
- ▶ Pray for a fun and smooth-running Norfolk residential for young mums.
- ▶ Pray for the Children's Centre team as they adjust to further change with Rachel Bennett's return from Maternity leave.
- ▶ Pray for the Step-Up Awards ceremony. May it be a time of celebration for the young people and families involved.
- ▶ Pray for our work in N. Cambridge, especially as many of the young people are facing difficulties.

August



- ▶ Please pray for the various summer schools being run by many Secondary Schools, aimed at children transferring in September.
- ▶ The summer holidays can be a difficult time for some children (and their parents!). Please pray for fun times, rest and refreshment and that it will not be too difficult for young people to adjust to school routines again when term starts.
- ▶ Please pray for the Aspire Plus residential to Norfolk. This is a first for this group of young people with Autism. Pray for the planning and that it will be a happy time for everyone.
- ▶ Pray for the Under 25s group in the Children's Centre to grow and thrive with new families attending and being supported.
- ▶ Please pray for the Children's Centre summer programme – that we would meet new families, have fun in the sunshine and be able to support those in need during the summer months.
- ▶ Pray for the future development of the Children's Centre as we approach the end of our current contract with the County Council and look to apply to continue this work.
- ▶ Pray for strength and wisdom as we seek to support an increasing numbers of families who are struggling in this difficult economic period.
- ▶ Pray for the Charity Shop and for the appointment of a new manager. For the smooth-running of the shop and for more volunteers.
- ▶ Please pray for guidance on how to develop work in Cambourne.
- ▶ Pray for future direction for our Young Women's work, especially with Kate Nation moving on.

September



- ▶ Prayer is appreciated for all children and young people settling in to new schools.
- ▶ Please pray for the new "Shine" course for young mums, focusing on identity, self-esteem and wellbeing.
- ▶ Pray for the young people who are moving on from Aspire Plus. We hope that relationships formed between members of the group will flourish and that they will continue to socialise with one another.
- ▶ Pray for vision and strategy for our work in Sawston.
- ▶ Please think about young children who are moving to new settings, that their transitions will go smoothly.
- ▶ The Children's Centre seeks God's guidance in initiating a new group in the Riverside area. Please pray that we may be inspired to engage with new families in our extended reach area.
- ▶ Please pray for Neil as he trains for running a double marathon on one day across '23 Peaks' of Cambridgeshire to raise awareness and money for Romsey Mill.
- ▶ Please pray for a new Step-up course with eight Year 9 students from Sawston Village College.
- ▶ Pray for a "Lads and Dads" 10-week course running for a group of boys and their dads. It will be an opportunity for them to spend time together doing stuff that they will both enjoy.
- ▶ Please pray for our staff members as they facilitate young people's exploration of their values and beliefs.

Praise God for ...

- ▶ All our excellent Transitions volunteers and especially the difference they make over the summer holidays.
- ▶ A fun and inspiring “Reboot” residential in North Norfolk for five young men in June.
- ▶ All our young people on the Aspire programme...they continue to thrive and are amazing!
- ▶ The children are all making good progress in Playgroup, and it is a fun and happy environment.
- ▶ Appointment of Hannah Maxwell as new 1:1 support worker for a child with additional needs.
- ▶ Funding of £15,000 from Sported to develop our football groups and women’s sport provision, to increase confidence and overcome isolation.
- ▶ More than 14 children benefitted from ‘Free Twos’ funding this year. We thank God for the difference this has made to these families.
- ▶ Appointment of Matthew Wilson as the new Children’s Centre Administrator.
- ▶ Continued growth in new families accessing the Centre’s activities.
- ▶ A very encouraging Incredible Years Parenting Course run last term. Nine parents completed the course and commented on how positive and empowered they felt.
- ▶ Our Aspire Young Leaders, who have grown in confidence and continue to shine.
- ▶ The opportunities to engage and support new parents at an earlier stage, through Christchurch clinic, New Parents group and our link working with our local Midwives and Health teams.

Give thanks for ...

- ▶ Marie Nazombe, Fundraising and Communications Manager. She will be greatly missed from the life and work of Romsey Mill as she moves on to take up a new fundraising role with Camfed.



- ▶ Jon Sanders, Cambourne Youth Development Worker. Jon has loved his job and work with the young people of Cambourne but is moving away to spend more time with his family.



- ▶ Kate Nation, Young Women’s Worker. Kate is moving on to new adventures but has been a strong advocate for young women and supported many through very difficult situations.



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Prayer diary



For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2: 8-9

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