

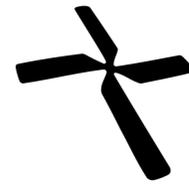
June



Please pray for

- ▶ The Young Parents Programme family activities and outings planned for June and July, creating opportunities to have fun together.
- ▶ The young mums Afternoon Tea in June. An opportunity to relax, have fun and celebrate motherhood (without the children!).
- ▶ The recruitment of a new shop manager and for Terri as she moves on from her role. Thank God for all the volunteers and their commitment to go over and above to keep the shop running in the interim period.
- ▶ For the families that attend Little Millers (our new weekly under 4s play session) - that they would feel welcome, supported and enjoy the group. Please pray for those yet to come, that they will be interested in coming along, particularly those feeling isolated or nervous. Please pray they will step out and find company, new friends and the love and support they need.
- ▶ The Romsey Mill Trustees as they meet together in June. Please ask God to guide and bless all those who help Romsey Mill and those with whom we work.
- ▶ Volunteers to support all the development we would love to see happening in Aspire, working with children and young people with autism, and help us meet more of the need of families on our waiting list. We particularly need help in Cambourne and North Cambridge where we have a shortage of volunteers at the moment.

July



Please pray for

- ▶ Everything to run smoothly as we near our third annual charity golf day on Friday 13th July, at our new venue, Hallmark Hotel/ Cambs Golf Course.
- ▶ The Youth Development Team Presentation Evening. Pray that we find a suitable venue and an encouraging turn-out from young people and families.
- ▶ All the non-resident young fathers who are looking to spend time with their child over summer, that they will be able to get time off from work and negotiate contact well.
- ▶ Our young musicians as we start to gear up to the summer Rapademic event. Pray for a strong relationship with The Junction and the whole team who help organise the event.
- ▶ The residential we will be running with our Aspire Plus group, taking 12 young adults with autism to Norfolk for two nights, giving them a great opportunity to develop friendships and practice life skills in a safe setting.
- ▶ Our Deeper summer residential, funded by local churches, that gives young people the opportunity to ask questions about the Christian faith. Pray that preparations would go well and young people would sign up to take part.
- ▶ Extra Aspire youth club sessions during the first part of the summer holidays when we would usually stop the groups. This is based on feedback from young people and families that the break from youth clubs can feel really long over the summer.

August



Please pray for

- ▶ A young Aspire Plus leaver who took a gap year in order to gain life skills and increase in confidence before going to university in September. Over the year he has been volunteering in a local charity shop and in the Romsey Mill office. It has been very positive. Please ask God for continued blessing when the university term begins.
- ▶ Pre-School staff as we enrol children for September, that we will have the optimum numbers of children for each setting.
- ▶ Young people moving from younger to older Aspire groups. Pray that friendships will transfer across the groups and that new friendships will begin as well.
- ▶ Wisdom and favour as we look to become a training provider for youth workers. Pray particularly that we would be able to raise awareness of the opportunities sufficiently to attract potential students from across the country.
- ▶ The Aspire team as we meet with the families of new young people who will start attending Aspire groups in the autumn term.
- ▶ A suitable venue to become available for our work in Hampton. So far discussions have proved fruitless. Please pray that God would open doors and provide!
- ▶ We have a number of improvement works taking place at Romsey Mill Centre over the summer months. Thank God for the provision of funding for these projects.

Praise God for...

- ▶ The young parents-to-be attending the current antenatal course who have bonded well as a group as they explore what it means to become a parent (practically and emotionally).
- ▶ All that Sharon Whittle has brought to Romsey Mill as our Finance Officer. Sadly she is leaving at the end of June, but we praise God that we have been able to appoint a new finance officer, Kaye Scupham who will join us from mid June.
- ▶ Our successful funding bid to Children in Need who have agreed to continue to fund some of our work in north Cambridge, up to 2021.
- ▶ The development in each child over the Pre-school year. It is very encouraging to trace how the children have grown in confidence and independence, are being kind friends, showing empathy to their peers, are happy and joyful as they explore and create their own play.
- ▶ The Skate Jam we held in Hampton, Peterborough which attracted over 150 young people and was very well received by the local community.
- ▶ A new relationship between Aspire and Melbourn Village College. Ruth Watt (the Aspire Programme Coordinator) is working alongside the school to run a girls group, helping some students who have been out of school for many months.
- ▶ Gillian Harrington, the Teenage Pregnancy Midwife from the Rosie, who provides reassurance, reliability and care for the mums she supports, in partnership with our Young Parents Programme.
- ▶ There are a number Romsey Mill staff families who are expecting babies over the next few months. We praise God for new life and new beginnings.

Praise God for...

- ▶ All the new members of the Youth Development Team who have settled in so well in the last few months and the smooth transition to a new staff structure in Sawston after Ollie O'Meakin moved on from his role.
- ▶ The young dads who engaged with the Healthy Minds, Healthy Bodies course. Particularly as some of the dads are continuing with boxing sessions as a result.
- ▶ The generosity of all our supporters and volunteers. Especially our Community Action friends from Kingsgate Church and volunteers from St Philips Church who help us in so many practical ways.
- ▶ The volunteers that have come forward, enabling us to start Little Millers, our new weekly under 5s play session. We are so pleased to be able to continue offering such a positive space for young local families.
- ▶ The Parish of the Icknield Way Villages who have chosen us as the Parish Charity of the Year. We are thankful that they are keen to learn more about all aspects of Romsey Mill's work and see how they can be involved and engaged as a community.
- ▶ The development of a child that joined Pre-School this year with an autism diagnosis. We successfully applied for funding to employ a 1-1 staff member to work with and support this child. Through this consistent interaction the child has become much calmer and is more engaged in play.

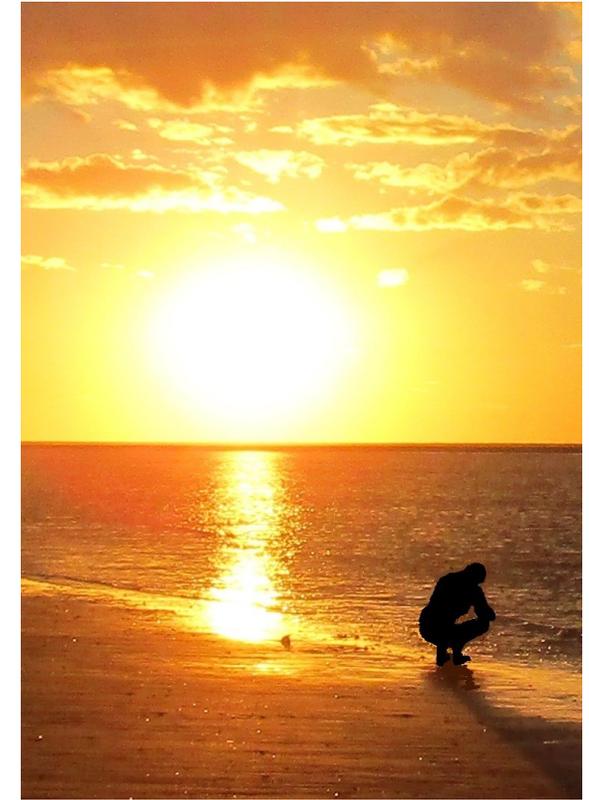
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Prayer Diary



“Lead me to the rock that is higher than I”

Psalm 61 : 2

The Bible