

## **YOUTH WORKERS PRAYER PAPER APRIL 2018**

### **Pray for the Youth Workers, Young People, Organisations, Activities and Concerns listed for each day of the Month of April**

**Sunday 1st. April** *Easter Sunday* Lift up in prayer all those who are leading services today giving thanks for this time when the whole church family can come together to celebrate Easter. Pray that God will touch the hearts of people of all ages through all the Easter services, and that the Holy Spirit will inspire the teams that are planning and leading the services throughout all the churches of the world.

**Monday 2nd. April** *Faith in Scarborough Schools (FISS)* Pray for all the organization and preparation that is required to keep Faith in Scarborough Schools active and flourishing in Scarborough after Bruce retires this August. Pray that all the schools that Bruce visits in his work will continue to be open to the work of Faith in Scarborough Schools after Bruce retires.

**Tuesday 3rd. April** *Sidewalk*. Sidewalks Groupwork got off to a flying start this spring with Sidewalk's young people organising basketball, karaoke, healthy food, film-making and an alcohol free bar. Pray with thanks for these initiatives and the young people that are involved in them.

**Wednesday 4th. April** *(FISS)* Pray for Bruce, Peter Cross Steve Blower and Celia Hare who will meet at 14.00hrs today to discuss the progress made in setting up a job description, informing funders of our plans and seeking their continued support, assessing exactly what FISS can afford in employing one or possibly two new workers and planning an advert for new employment.

**Thursday 5th. April** *(FISS)* Results from a survey indicates the continued need for a dedicated Christian youth worker for the schools in Scarborough after Bruce retires. Most schools acknowledge the need and many have benefitted from Bruce's input into their school programme. Pray that this work may continue after Bruce retires.

**Friday 6th. April** *(FISS)* It has been concluded that with Bruce leaving and the tendered resignation of Peter Cross (Chair) an opportunity exists for a restructuring of FISS leading to something new through God's guidance. This would also require prayer and guidance in the appointment of more trustees.

**Saturday 7th. April** *Stepping Stones Ministries* Pray that sponsors may be found to support one boy, three girls and 7 more children who are currently part sponsored. Some of the stories we have heard when these children were taken in and given a home are heart wrenching. Can you help or pray for them? Contact [admin@steppingstonesuk.org](mailto:admin@steppingstonesuk.org)

**Sunday 8th. April** *General*. Pray for all those who carry out Christian Mission for Youth in the Scarborough District. Pray that the Lord will grant them good health. Pray that they may have time to relax and enjoy one another's company and that they may find times of quiet recreation. Ask that the Lord to bless them and guide your church to support them.

**Monday 9th. April** *(FISS)* Two youth workers have met up with Bruce and have attended Northstead Fruit Loop Club with FISS over the past month. Both have shown considerable interest in being employed part time in the work of FISS in the future. Please pray for them and ask the Lord to give guidance to them with regard to them taking over Faith in Scarborough Schools together.

**Tuesday 10th. April** *Sidewalk* Pray over the idea of exploring a project termed 'Bus Stop', which would take place in Burniston, connecting with local young people there to see what activities they would like to develop through Sidewalk in the local neighbourhood.

**Wednesday 11th. April** *(FISS)* Pray that funders will continue to support faith in Scarborough Schools after the retirement of Bruce and that sufficient finance shall be forthcoming to cover new appointments and the future work of FISS.

**Thursday 12th. April** *(FISS)* Pray for Bruce Clark, Rev. Peter Cross, Steve Blower, and Celia Hare as they meet together this evening to implement the tasks necessary for the future of Faith in Scarborough Schools.

**Friday 13th. April** *(FISS)* Pray for those tasked with setting up a job description of Faith in Scarborough Schools in order that Bruce's post can be advertised in accordance with present regulations.

**Saturday 14th. April** *National Citizen Service (NCS)* National Citizen Service offers a three to four week experience for 15 to 17yr olds that helps build their confidence and self belief so that they can take on the things that life for young people can throw at them. Sidewalk are interested in meeting with NCS.

**Sunday 15th. April** *General* Give thanks for all the support given to Youth Work in Scarborough and the surrounding villages. The support of prayer, funding and affirmation is so important in helping each individual Youth Worker to meet the needs of so many children and young people in Scarborough. Pray for all the Youth Workers who give of their time to the young people of Scarborough in the schools and on the streets.

**Monday 16th. April** *Sidewalk* This evening from 18.00hrs to 19.00hrs Sidewalk's Gym Group takes place at Bodtorque Gym for young people from 16 to 18yrs old. Hold the young people that take part in your prayers.

**Tuesday 17th. April** *Sidewalk* The Sidewalk Group Team meet this evening at 18.00hrs to discuss the group events and their development in the light of their success to date.

**Wednesday 18th. April** *Bruce Clark* Bruce will be leading morning assembly at Wheatcroft School today before going on to Newby School to head up Rock Solid Club at 12.30hrs. Pray for the Bruce and the staff and students of the schools. *Sidewalk* Sidewalk meets with Kim Smith at Costa this morning regarding National Citizen Service. Pray that the meeting will be constructive and that NCS may be of benefit to some of the young people known to Sidewalk.

**Thursday 19th. April** . *Bruce Clark* Hold Bruce in your prayers as he seeks God's will in silent prayer at 07.00hrs this morning. *Sidewalk* Catherine and Bruce will be meeting young people on the streets and in the parks and waterfront of Scarborough this evening to offer help and support to those who need it

**Friday 20th. April** *Bruce Clark* Bruce meets with the special needs children of Woodlands School this morning. The children have a wide range of needs including moderate or severe learning difficulties, speech and language difficulties, autism and some medical problems. All need prayer. Give thanks for the work Bruce does with them. *Sidewalk* Steve Blower and Steve Phipps will carry detached youth work on the streets of Scarborough this evening. Hold them in prayer as they meet with young people wherever they happen to be.

**Saturday 21st. April** *General* Consider those who roam the streets seeking solace in alcohol or are dependent upon drugs. Many seek sexual gratification in their need for the hand of care and the voice of understanding? Can we hold them daily in our prayers and be open to meet with them if the Lord leads us to? Pray for them with compassion and hope.

**Sunday 22nd. April** *Bruce Clark* Pray for Bruce as he speaks at Cornerstone Church in Bridlington at 10.30hrs this morning. *Sidewalk* Pray for Steve Blower and the interests of Sidewalk as Steve gives a talk to uniformed groups this afternoon at 15.00hrs.

**Monday 23rd. April** *Sidewalk* Pray for the young people of the Gym Group and give thanks for the initiative they have shown in helping to set up the Group and their enthusiasm in developing and taking part in it. Pray also for the support Sidewalk gives to a local school in providing mentoring services to the most vulnerable students each Tuesday and Friday.

**Tuesday 24th. April** *Bruce Clark* Bruce will be visiting Lindhead School at Burniston this morning at 10.15hrs. Hold Bruce and the staff and children of the School in your prayers. *Sidewalk* The Tuesday Open Access Group for young people aged 11 to 18yrs is running again at Albermarle Baptist Church from 18.30hrs to 20.00hrs centering on expressing feelings and ideas through art and craft.

**Wednesday 25th. April** *Bruce Clark* At 12.30hrs this afternoon Bruce will be leading Rock Solid Club at Newby School. Give thanks for the popularity of this Club among the students and pray that it will continue to flourish after Bruce retires. *Sidewalk* Pray for Steve Blower as he attends a Community Led Local Development (CLLD) workshop this afternoon. Also hold up in prayer the Sidewalk Trustees Meeting, which is due to take place at 19.00hrs this evening.

**Thursday 26th. April** *Sidewalk* The evening patrols carried out by the Detached Team are right at the cutting edge of youth workers meeting with young people. This evening pray for the Team as they meet together to discuss, assess and seek the way forward for this work.

**Friday 27th. April** *Bruce Clark* Pray for Bruce and Carol as they prepare for the changes that Bruce's retirement will bring into their lives, pray that they will be guided by the Lord and that no undue stress will arise as they adapt to the changes. *General* Continue to pray for all those who in the present increasingly difficult financial situation are finding problems in paying for food and essential services. Pray for their families and particularly for the children. Pray strongly that stress may not spill over into violence on a family, national and international level.

**Saturday 28th. April** *Sidewalk* Pray for Sidewalk's Volunteering/Youth Innovation open to young people over 16 who want to further develop skills and contribute to community. Give thanks for the Training Sessions that have already taken place and pray that further young people will come forward for training in the future.

**Sunday 29th. April** *General* Pray for all the youth and schools work, which lies ahead in this coming month. Give thanks for the dedication and skills of all those who give their time and talents to the welfare, safety and best interests of the young people in the Scarborough area.

**Monday 30th April** *Sidewalk* In 2017 young people brought the brilliant Jamiversary Event back from the dead. Sidewalk's job was to work with young people to realise their dream of seeing this event return. With support from lots of local charities and businesses the young people hosted an event for 600+ people and was truly a massive success. There will be a planning group meeting this evening at 18.30hrs to discuss the way forward for the event this year. Do not forget prayers for the Gym Group that meet again this evening at 18.00hrs.

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