

### **COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY NORFOLK**

## PRAYER NEWSLET

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On the evening of Tuesday 23 April we held a social event playing pool and darts at Rileys in Norwich. We also shared food together. This was a great time for staff, mentors and their clients to relax together and gives the clients a sense of belonging and taking part in something of 'normal life'. Our next social is a pic-nic and games at Earlham Park on 15 July 6-8pm.





Give thanks for the CCN family: mentors, clients and staff. Please pray that these events will help build trust and therefore accountability and self confidence in our clients. Pray that the next social will be well attended and for good weather.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct your paths. Proverbs 3: 5-6



Chair of Trustees We have an amazing group of Trustees who each bring their individual skills and experience to the Charity, but we are currently looking for someone to become our Chair of Trustees. Someone with time to co-ordinate the Board, chair the bi-monthly meetings and be a front person for the Charity. If this is something you think you, or someone you know, might be able to do, please contact us for an informal chat and/or come along to one of our meetings to see if you think the role would be a good fit for you.



Thank God for all our Trustees. Praise him that we have had a wonderful new Trustee join us in the last few months and that someone else has shown interest and will be attending our next meeting to find out more.

#### New On Track System

Our new system is now up and running! We use it for recording client details and our mentors use it to report their contact with clients. As with everything new there can be challenges, and changing to a different way of doing things can be difficult, but it's hoped that because the system is designed specifically around our work it will be much better in the long term.



Please pray for the staff and mentors as they navigate their way around the new system and that once they are fully up and running it will improve their experience of record keeping.

This is the first year we will be running three mentor training courses. Pray that the right people will hear about CCN and be in a position to take part. Our

**New Dates!** 

**Volunteer Mentor Training** 

25 September to

13 November

Wednesdays 2 – 4pm

**St Stephen's Church** 

**Norwich** 

#### New Style Mentor Training Course

This month we are trying something new! Running the mentor training course over 2 consecutive Saturdays rather than in an eight-week block. It is hoped that this will attract those who cannot commit to an eight week run of evenings or afternoons. The training is taking place at The Chapel Wessex Street on 6 & 13 July.

volunteer Mentors are the heart of all we do.

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the

Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the

proclaim freedom for the captives and release from

poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to

darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the

Lord's favour and the day of vengeance of our God,

to comfort all who mourn. Isaíah 61: 1-2



## **CCN MENTORING**

Walking with Prison Leavers to Rebuild Their Lives

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#### **Roadshow Presentations**

Are you part of a group we could visit, or could you suggest one? Church, community or workplace.

We can give a talk about our work and share some interesting information about the criminal justice system. We aim to bring along a mentor &/or a client to share their story too.

#### Volunteers Week

This ran from 3-8 June and we took the opportunity to increase our on-line presence by posting every day to showcase some of our volunteer mentors and why they want to help prison leavers. We invited our Mentors to an afternoon of drinks and cakes to thank them for all they do and the time they freely give. We also had a stand in the Forum on Friday 7 June as part of the Voluntary Norfolk event, where two of our mentors were interviewed about their mentoring roles.

Pray for organisations to be willing to facilitate a presentation, for new contacts to be made and new Mentors to be found to help us provide support for the increase in client referrals.



#### High Sheriff's Reception

Mel with David Flux, the new High Sheriff of Norfolk.





Thank God for the invitation to attend the reception. Pray for these contacts to be fruitful and raise our profile with those in influence.

# I have not stopped Giving Thanks for you, remembering you in my Prayers. Ephesians 1: 16



#### **Podcasts**

Some of our Mentors and Clients are helping us create Podcasts about their involvement with CCN. These will be used for promotion and we have given access to students studying criminology at the UEA to help with their work.

If you have facebook, please follow us - like and share our posts. Who knows who could see and be able to get involved ?!



Thank God for the relationships built with our clients and mentors and for their willingness to help share their lives in this way.

If you want to join our live prayer updates, simply let us know which mobile number to use & we can add you to the Whats app group.



Do pop in and see us at our base in Saint Stephen's Church – there's a great café here too!

