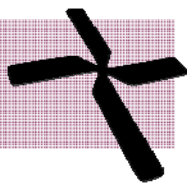


October



▶ Pray for a young couple whose baby died in September and for a number of the Romsey Mill team as they support them through this difficult time.

▶ Pray for new Transitions groups at secondary schools, for the support that they will offer young people.

▶ Pray for the young parents' textiles class. Pray that they will bond well as a group and keep coming to lessons, even when life is tough.



▶ Pray for last year's Playgroup members who are settling into new nursery classes.

▶ Pray for new children as they settle into Playgroup, especially the early days when it can be hard for them to leave mum (or vice versa).

▶ Pray for Step-Up, a new alternative curriculum programme working with young people who are at risk or who have been excluded from mainstream school. Pray that the programme would meet the needs of the young people and help raise their aspirations.

▶ **11th:** Pray for the commissioning service at Mill Road Baptist Church (6.30pm). Pray, in particular, for God's enabling for the year ahead.

▶ We now have three Centre for Youth Ministry students on placement with us. Please pray for Nicky, Matt and Avril, that they would feel part of the team and continue to develop as youth workers.



▶ Pray for Jon Sanders, our new Cambourne Youth Development Worker. May he know God's leading as he pioneers our work in that new area.



▶ For the 10 young mums who have just started college this term. May they make friends quickly. Pray that the difficult circumstances in some of their lives will not prevent them from attending.

▶ **17th:** Pray for the family fun day at Sainsbury's – may this give a really good impression of Romsey Mill with the local public.

▶ Pray that Judith Cork, Young Parents Programme, would quickly get to know the area and people working in other local organisations.



▶ Pray for new volunteers as they get to know the work and the young people.

▶ Thank God for the provision of a new Transitions staff member, Naomi Message. Pray that she would settle into the team quickly and build good relationships with the young people and schools.



▶ Pray for God's wisdom as we seek to recruit a Young Fathers and a Progressions worker.

▶ Pray for the Romsey Mill shop volunteers and ex-volunteers who are sick.

▶ Pray for young people with Asperger Syndrome and other Autistic Spectrum Conditions settling in at new schools and colleges.

▶ Pray for Kate Nation as she develops our Young Women's work across the city. Pray that she would be able to build positive relationships with young women and respond to their needs.



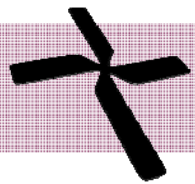
▶ For new Year 7 students as they navigate their first term at secondary school.

▶ Pray for Tom Scotter as he joins the SIP team as an Apprentice Worker. Pray that he would be able to balance the demands of study and work, and that he would really develop as a youth worker.



▶ Pray for the continued development of the counselling and therapeutic work at Romsey Mill—and for fruitful relationships with other agencies.

November



▶ Pray that the new mums who have finished antenatal in Sept/Oct will engage well in Bumps and Babies this term.



▶ Pray for a new Kick Boxing project that is starting this term. Pray that young people would engage with it and that it would be a positive outlet for their aggression.

▶ Praise God for the Fundraising and Communications Team's new part-time team members: Martin Brooke, Karen Hosking and Sam Hill. May they settle well into the organisation and to their individual roles.

▶ **16th:** Pray for Rachel Bennett as she delivers countywide training to other young parent specialist workers, that it would be a good time of support and encouragement.

▶ Pray for the Playgroup's focussed work with a National Literacy Consultant as we support local schools to deliver communication and language skills.



▶ Pray for young people who are exploring the Christian faith. Praise God for their enthusiasm to know more.

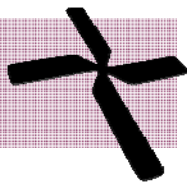
▶ Pray for new ideas and developments, particularly family support and special interest groups providing new opportunities.

▶ Pray for good reception of the 08-09 Annual Review—may new contacts be made and may existing contacts be inspired to get involved.

▶ Pray for young people with Asperger Syndrome and other Autistic Spectrum Conditions starting at a youth club this term, that they would settle in and feel welcome.

▶ Pray that our relationships with secondary schools would continue to develop. Pray that they would have a greater understanding of our work and that we would be able to respond to the needs of the young people.

December



- ▶ Pray for young parent families, that Christmas will be a positive time and not a time of financial difficulty and stress.
- ▶ Pray for the continued development of the Freedom Programme that works with those affected by domestic violence.
- ▶ Pray that God will bring families together over the Christmas break.
- ▶ May Christmas social activities across the programmes bring a sense of joy, community and of being cared for.
- ▶ Please pray for all staff and volunteers to 'recharge their batteries' ready for the new year.
- ▶ May our shop volunteers be blessed with good health, and a positive sense of community.
- ▶ Pray for the Carol Singing and other festive activities at Sainsbury's—may this be a good opportunity to share the good news not only about Romsey Mill but about Emmanuel—God with us.
- ▶ Pray for the team planning Romsey Mill's 30th Birthday celebrations—may they bring glory to God!



Thank you! From all at Romsey Mill. We would like to wish all our trustees, volunteers, donors and supporters a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. Thank you for your continued support.

PRAISE GOD...

- ▶ The Midwifery service has advertised for specialist midwife posts for young parents. This will mean tailored support and follow up can be offered throughout their pregnancy.
- ▶ Praise God for faithful individuals and churches who give regularly to our work.
- ▶ Give thanks for the continuity in the Playgroup team. Pray for them to be accompanied by a few more experienced volunteers.
- ▶ In July, the Social Inclusion Programme ran five camping trips in Derbyshire with 42 young people from across the city. Give thanks that despite the wet weather everyone had a good time and relationships were strengthened.
- ▶ For the success of the Freedom Programme with the Meadows' Child and Family Wing.
- ▶ For a positive start to Judith Cork's job (YPP outreach worker) and thank God that she has found somewhere permanent to live.
- ▶ Give thanks for the new SIP team. Pray that God would unite us and help us to support one another as we seek to meet the needs of the young people of Cambridge.
- ▶ Praise God for all the Transitions residentials we ran over the summer months with 71 young people. Give thanks for the friendships that were strengthened and the opportunity to share God's love with them.
- ▶ For the way childcare placements have slotted into place for the children of young mums during college courses this year.
- ▶ Praise God for his provision through the YSDF funding that has enabled Ruth Watts to go full time into the Aspire Co-ordinator's role.
- ▶ For God's continuing provision.

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"For he loves us with unfailing love;
the faithfulness of the LORD endures
forever."

Psalm 117:2, *The Bible (NLT)*