



## Prayer Diary

For  
Kirkcaldy Street Pastors  
Prayer Pastors Support Team

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2018

	Prayer Request
Team on Duty:	CM, OG, LC,PB
Overview	<p>A relatively quiet night with only a couple of establishments reasonably busy; the rest were surprisingly quiet.</p> <p>There are times when the team question just how much they can do for some individuals they meet. It's reassuring to know that your prayers for the team, and the folks they meet, can help.</p>
Prayers, please:	<p>The team met a young man who was outside a public house; he was waiting to take his brothers home in their works vehicle. The young man prefers to go to quieter places, outside the town, to socialise with his girlfriend, and their friends. He is learning his trade with his brothers and seems to be enjoying life.</p> <p>Pray for all the young men who are fortunate to have good family members to guide and support them.</p>
	<p>Although the High Street was fairly quiet, one Street Pastor met a couple of former work colleagues. It's interesting to see the reaction of people who think they know someone, and then meet them in an unexpected guise. As well as a time to 'catch up' it's always another opportunity to spread the word of Street Pastors.</p>
	<p>Outside a larger establishment, the team met another fairly young chap; this one seemed as though he was 'on something'. One SP suggested heroin; however the chap was keen to talk, between nodding off! The conversation was difficult to follow but the guy seemed happy enough to engage.</p> <p>Piecing conversations together, the team were under the impression the chap has a home with a girlfriend/partner and children.</p> <p>Pray he will realise there are other options available to benefit his life and his family's.</p>
	<p>The team met a gentleman walking along the High street. He seemed in some discomfort, as if he had sore feet. Through conversation the SPs were led to believe the gentleman had been a doctor and had no fixed abode. It seems he has family who have 'done well for themselves' but want nothing to do with their father.</p> <p>Pray that this gentleman can find the help and support he needs and give him peace.</p>

	<p>When there aren't many people to engage with on a Saturday night, it's a good opportunity to chat to the doormen.</p> <p>One is looking forward to the birth of his baby girl; he could tell the number of months and days until the due date.</p> <p>Another works seven days a week, as well as three evenings per week as a doorman.</p> <p>One reveller was in conversation with a doorman; he was reminiscing about how good a man the doorman's uncle had been. Tragically he died in an accident in 2010.</p> <p>These conversations confirm family means a lot to individuals. Looking forward in anticipation of what the future can bring, looking back on a hurtful past or dealing with the day to day issues whilst trying to provide the best they can for loved ones.</p> <p>Pray for all families; life can be challenging.</p>
	<p>A takeaway has recently received a licence to trade in the evenings. Unfortunately, due to the council's licensing laws, it cannot stay open until the nightclub closes at 4am.</p> <p>Pray for the companies who invest in providing a service in the town; it's not always easy and the hours can be long and tedious.</p>
	<p>As always, the team received a number of favourable acknowledgements from passersby and revellers. Many thank for kindness shown on previous occasions, sometimes in another town, but all genuine in their appreciation. Although the team doesn't seek gratification, it is good to hear that the initiative does make a difference.</p>
	<p>Everyone has a different story to tell and their experiences can differ beyond comparison. This knowledge can colour people's view of the world; it can be disheartening to listen to negative attitudes and it challenges individuals to portray a more positive outlook without diminishing the fears and concerns of others.</p>
	<p>As the rain increased from 'the fine rain that soaks you through' to heavy rain which discouraged people from walking outside, the team decided to finish a bit earlier than usual.</p>
	<p>Many thanks for your continued support for Kirkcaldy Street Pastors and the people they meet. Pray for all the doormen, taxi drivers, waiting staff and barmen who often have a challenging shift. Pray for support team who have been unfailing in their commitment on Saturday evenings; their contributions, of fellowship and provisions are always greatly appreciated.</p> <p>Blessings to all</p>