

## Prayer Diary

For

## Kirkcaldy Street Pastors

**Prayer Pastors Support Team** 

## Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Team on the street: CMCA, PB, PD

**Overview:** It had been snowing earlier in the day so SPs were prepared for a cold night and they were not disappointed. Although it did keep dry. The weather did not deter individuals from venturing out and although the Town Centre and some of the venues were relatively quiet, there were still opportunities to engage.

**Prayers please:** For one of our door stewards whose grandmother passed away recently and for the safe return of his mother from the country where his grandmother lived.

For the couple begging on the streets - After chatting with the young woman we provided drinks and something to eat. However during the handover we witnessed an argument between the two. It wasn't too serious and SPs left them to sort it out. On speaking with the man later, he explained the situation and that the difference of opinion had been resolved.

Also please pray for one of our other regular street people who was complaining about his leg hurting. He had been hospitalized last year and he fears the same condition may be returning.

SP witnessed a couple in a shop doorway where the man seemed to be in a bit of distress. His contact lens had slipped behind his eye and his partner was helping him not to panic. Once the contact lens was out he felt so much better. They thanked us for our interest and kindness in offering to assist. Please pray all is well with his eyes and they got safely home.

At the rail station we spoke with two gentlemen, one of whom was interested in the environment and saving the planet. He revealed he formerly worked as a conductor on the trains. The train was late and one gentleman was quite anxious as he had waited for his girlfriend for over an hour. When the last train arrived we noted that she was reunited with him

SP approached a young man who seemed a bit lost. He was looking for someone who was to collect him from the station. We were able to direct him to the right spot

outside the station as a lady had previously approached SP looking for a young lad fitting his description.

They were all grateful for SP intervention and we pray that all arrived at destinations safely.

Prior to going to the railway station we came across two young lads in the street - one trying to get the other to his feet. With SP assistance we got him up and more balanced. Thankfully a willing taxi driver came along and the two lads slumped into it. The steadier of the two thanked us.

Two young ladies outside a night club were having difficulty arranging a taxi. As SP chatted with them, they remarked how safe they felt. In their home town a number of people were being forced into waiting cars outside night clubs and drinks were being spiked so for the time being they had stopped frequenting those places. Kirkcaldy felt so safe and peaceful and they were grateful for our presence. After being exasperated with the online taxi service they decided to go to the line of waiting taxis. Please pray into the situation regarding the other Fife town and for peace to prevail and the perpetrators to be brought to justice.

A young man was sitting on the wall on his own. SP engaged in an in depth conversation during which he revealed he had been in hospital for a period of time and also confided in SP that he had taken drugs which he had now given up. He was awaiting a friend to give him a lift. Please pray that his health continues to improve and that he is not tempted to resort to illegal drug taking.

There were a number of occasions where young men voiced their thanks and interest in what SPs were doing and a number voiced appreciation and gratitude. We were even described as "cute" and "good Samaritans".

Two young men towards the end of the night had lost their friend who was at a house party and had walked out. They provided a description which was a bit bizarre so SP would have spotted him, but had not. One of the lads was really disappointed because his expensive phone had somehow smashed so couldn't contact him. Trying to be helpful SP enquired if they had checked the garden of the house. That seemed to be a revelation and one sped off in direction of his house to check. Please pray that the young man was found.

Please continue to pray for Street and Rail Pastors everywhere. For Kirkcaldy in particular, for renewed interest in our work by local churches and community groups, specifically for new recruits, for people to serve on our management team, Street Pastors patrols and for an increase in those who provide soup, etc.

Thanks to all who pray for us. Your prayers are greatly appreciated. God bless.