

## Bury Drop-In Prayer Points (BDI) Believing in Divine Intervention!

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I've changed tack recently and am now doing less things **for** the Lord; but more things **with** Him! In the past when I tended to do things **for** Him, it was more about my own interpretation of what needed doing and often doing it under my own strength, sometimes leading to frustration and weariness. In short, I suppose I viewed God operating at a slight distance in some kind of Heavenly Headquarters. However, changing perceptions from, **for Him**, to, **with Him**, really brings Psalm 23 to life: "...He leads me beside still waters...He leads me in paths of righteousness...I will fear no evil: for thou art with me..." Also Hebrews 13 vv. 5&6 "I will never leave you nor forsake you so we may boldly say; The Lord is my helper, I will not fear, what can man do to me?" So as we pray today, let's remember, it's not so much our prayers *travelling* to God, as our *togetherness* with God as we pray, in all situations!

Please pray for our volunteers, including their spiritual, emotional and mental health. Please pray for their wisdom, energy and clear-sightedness as they work alongside vulnerable adults. Volunteers are our most precious resource and we are so grateful for every dedicated hour they give to BDI. If you know anyone who may like to join our team please ask them to make contact with us. Everyone brings a unique set of skills/attributes to the BDI but the most important qualification is having a heart for those who are going through a tough time in life and for those who are lonely, vulnerable and/or sleeping rough, for whatever reason.

At the time of writing this we are seeking a volunteer to manage both our publicity and website. Time commitment is likely to be in the region of 10-12 hours a month. Please pray that we find the right person/people and/or the right person/people finds us! Please also continue to pray that our volunteers will be both a blessing and are blessed through their roles at BDI.

So please continue to pray in more volunteers who are able to commit to either one day a month or all sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays at the Trinity Methodist Church in the centre of Bury. Sessions are no longer than 5 hours. The main 3 roles are in the kitchen, reception or generally engaging with guests.

Would you also pray for our Fresh Start/Freedom Group that commences at the end of the month and supports people who are trying to become free of addictions. The course is designed by CAP (Christians Against Poverty) and often complements their debt-focused courses because debt, and suffering from an addiction, often go hand in hand. Please pray boldly that through the power of the Holy Spirit those on our course will be liberated from the chains of dependency once and for all!

Please continue to pray for our leaders and Trustees as they continually evaluate the key purposes of BDI and identify the specific functions that best deliver the former.

Thank you for your continued support and God's blessings upon you all,

Kevin