



PRAY FOR OUR LAY WORKERS

The Upper Thames Circuit currently employs 4 lay workers. They need our prayers. Please use this flier to guide you.

Give thanks for our lay workers, the gifts they have, the energy they give and that God will continue to guide them and use them.

Ross Cartwright (Youth Worker) based at Royal Wootton Bassett and Purton Churches.

- Pray for Ross as he runs “Mark the big idea” and “Café Sundae” and as he plans youth activities.
- For Ross in his training and study, that he may know God’s blessing and guidance in all he does.
- Pray for the young people he serves – in particular those experiencing family issues – relationships, bereavement & teen challenges.

Christina Dreher (Families Worker) based at Cricklade United Church.

- Rejoice with Christina on her adoption of a baby boy.
- Pray that God will bless her and support her in these early days of parenthood.
- Pray for members of Cricklade Church as they pick up, during her adoption leave, some of the activities that Christina has so successfully run for young people and families.

Chris German (Mission Enabler) based at Royal Wootton Bassett Church

- Pray as Chris works to encourage all sectors of the Church in being equipped for mission:

- For her work with the toddlers and young people in “Puddleducks” and “Sparks”. For advertising, volunteers and God’s leading the nativity service at the Memorial Hall.
- Pray as she works with adult church members and groups on “Stepping Stones” to mission; God given change in lives and wisdom to discern outreach to families in the community.

Paul Taylor (Families Worker) based at Highworth and Blunsdon

- Pray for Paul as he balances his work load and determines where the Lord is leading.
- For growth in the work among Highworth families, particularly through Jam Club Toddlers and Messy Church.
- Pray for the Breakfast Club in Blunsdon to see some new faces.
- For Paul as he prepares to lead the Hi Jinks Away Weekend in March. That the 40 young people (aged 8-16) attending may be blessed.

Pray for Blunsdon Chapel, where Paul works with breakfast club, toddlers and schools, and we consider ways of further supporting the chapel and this work. Pray, for the faithful members at Blunsdon and that some couples or families from across the Circuit may feel able to give support to God’s work in that place.

Pray for Shrivenham and Longcot, where there is currently no youth and toddler worker. That God may provide the inspiration and resources to meet the challenge of new outreach in these places.

LAY WORKER PLAN 2015-18

Please pray:

- **For our Lay workers' Plan:** that we may be constantly seeking God's will for our work in Churches and the communities.
- **That we may maintain our existing work** through prayer, seeking God's Word reviewing the needs for his kingdom growth.
- **That our lay workers may learn from one another,** for their support, management and training and for opportunities to pray and share responsibilities together.
- **For God's guidance for new work,** particularly in developing communities.
- **For Circuit events in Mission and Discipleship,** that we might be led to the right speakers and leaders and that these will be well supported by all churches in the Circuit and an opportunity to invite others.
- **That God will provide the resources we need,** not only to enable the existing work but to develop mission and appoint to new posts.
- **For wisdom in the writing of Grant applications;** for giving by the local Churches as they are able; for good stewardship of all our resources.

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