

Church Without Walls

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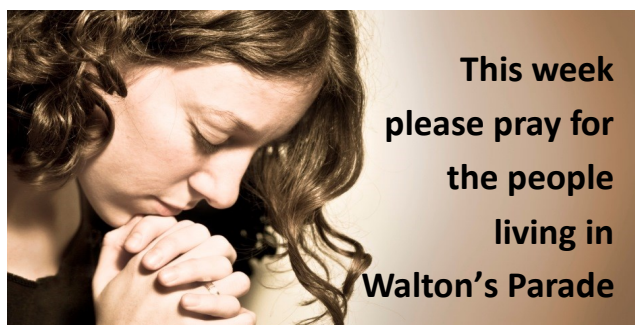


"Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me - watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly." (Matt 11:28-30 The Message)

Somali Christian Media Ministries

During lockdown, Shino & Shania have been creating podcasts with their son & daughter on topics around being ex-Muslims and Somali. They discuss topics that are relevant to Somalis such as the 'shame culture'; and recent events such as the terrorist attacks in Nice. This has gathered a lot of interest from Somali English-speaking people who may be interested to hear a non-Muslim perspective on Somali topics, especially 2nd generation Somalis. These podcasts are made on a weekly basis and have been popular.

- Please pray that these podcasts reach Somali Muslims that speak English so they can understand the word of God better.
- Please pray that many people get saved from hearing the podcasts.

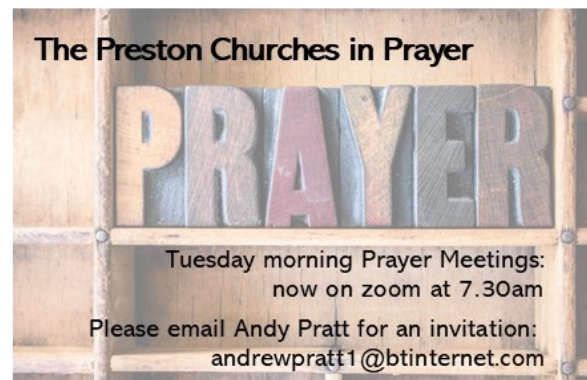


Street Pastors walk the streets of Preston to listen to, care for and help people in whatever need we find them, by putting Christian faith into action and showing the love of God in all circumstances.



We aim to create a safer community by encouraging people to take up alternative lifestyles and channel their energies to positive ends for the good of themselves and the community.

To keep up to date with Street Pastors you can sign up for the newsletter [here](#)



Remember to give this number to anyone you know who would appreciate being able to hear a message of hope at this time



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



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Along with this week's Church Without Walls we have sent a leaflet from the council, outlining what the new Tier 3 will mean.

[\(You can also read this here\)](#)

You can find out more information about this and the rules that have been applied to businesses, on their website:

preston.gov.uk/coronavirus
or by calling 01772 906900



**Thursday 17th Dec, 7pm-8pm:
Lancashire Sings Christmas
"From Baubles to Bubbles"**

This year the impact of the Coronavirus Virus means that we cannot gather in public places to sing. "From Baubles to Bubbles" is an invitation to tune into Lancashire Sings Christmas 2020 on BBC Radio Lancashire, and to share this service of carols, readings, stories of hope and healing in the many safe Bubbles of contact that exist across the County. Song-sheets will be available nearer the time to view or download. Join with everyone in Lancashire across the airways to lift our voices, and to open our hearts and our minds. Pray we may all receive afresh the light and the joy of the Christ Child that God gives to the whole world walking in the darkness of these times.

Hush Before The Rush 2020 This Thursday

This Thursday, 10th December, at 7.20pm we are holding our annual Hush before the Rush, an opportunity for women to meet together as we prepare to celebrate Christmas. The big difference is that it will be on Zoom and the details for that are below.

Our church theme for Christmas this year is 'Share the Light' and we would like you to have a candle with you on the evening which you will light with all the other participants during our time together. We will hear memories of Christmases past, listen to music and have a short reflection as we spend time together in a new and different way. It would be great if you could join us.

You can do that by [booking via Eventbrite here](#) (you can book for up to 10 people) or by contacting the office and we will book for you.



Christmas Day Meal : do you know anyone, who will be on their own, who could receive this free gift?

West Preston Methodist Church are working with 'Here for Humanity' and Miller's Taxis to cook and distribute 100 hot meals on Christmas Day. We want people to let us know of people who will be on their own who and would like to have this free gift. The permission of the person needs to be gained and they need to be at home on Christmas Day. We need names, telephone number, address and allergies.

Please contact:

inclusion@wpmc.co.uk



Congratulations!

**...to Tim Cox on his
new job! See below...**

"I was offered a new job a week ago yesterday, which I've accepted and will be starting in January. I will be the new Dean of Operations for the Light College and Collective (a new theological college which trains, equips & connects pioneers & evangelists), working 3 days a week. I will continue working 2 days a week at Lancashire County Council."