

## Prayer Letter

Summer 2018

Lindsay Pelloquin, Lead Chaplain writes....

Dear Friends and Prayer Partners,

At The Gift of Years Rugby we believe that it is so important that everything we are and all that we do is soaked in prayer. We are so thankful for all of you who would like to partner us in prayer. Please feel free to copy this letter and to give it to individuals or to groups in your churches who would like to support us in prayer.

## **Prayers of Thanksgiving**

There is so much that we want to give thanks for. So much has happened in just two years.

We give thanks for.....

Our wonderful team of chaplains and volunteers who represent 10 different churches in the town. There are now about 20 of us serving in 5 care homes. We give thanks for all those giving of their time and talents to the project.

The partnerships that we are building with the care homes with managers and staff and the welcome we have received enabling us to become part of these care home communities.

The difference the team is making to care home life. In 3 of the homes residents and relatives are now gathering for worship each week. Residents who have few or no visits now have members of the team befriending them and everyone has the opportunity to spend time with a chaplain if they wish. In some homes we are doing singing groups and activities which helps to awaken people and build a sense of community.

The appreciation of residents, relatives and staff and their valuing of the spiritual care and support we bring.

For the joy of helping the care homes to celebrate Easter, Harvest, Remembrance and Christmas in such meaningful ways.

For the provision of our financial needs over the past year through the generosity of certain donors and benefactors and a local authority grant. For the generosity of The Methodist Church in awarding us substantial funding for

the next 5 years.



The Gift of Years Rugby Commissioning Service 2017

## **Prayers of Intercession**

As we are now in the second year of service in the care homes Please pray for......

Lindsay Pelloquin (Lead Chaplain), Rev. Andy Hardwick, Deacon Georgina Brooks and The Gift of Years Rugby Steering Group as we seek to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit and take the project forward.

God's blessing on all the chaplains and volunteers, that their ministry and service would be very fruitful as they seek to share the love of God with residents, relatives and staff.

For the 15 volunteers who have completed the training course in May – June 2018 and will be ready to start in the care homes in September.

For the new homes that we are now serving in this year. Please pray that we will develop strong partnerships with the managers and staff and good relationships with the residents and relatives and that there will be an openness to all that we bring.

For God's provision of our financial needs through support from the churches, care homes, individuals and grants to make the project sustainable into the future.

Please pray for all elderly residents living in care homes in Rugby, for their relatives and for the staff who care for them.

God bless you all Lindsay Pelloquin