

# Winchester City Centre Chaplaincy

Prayer



Letter

## November '18 to January '19

Please use this prayer letter to pray for the City Centre Chaplains, and for the lives of all those who work in the city.

**Put a face to a name** – please refer to the separate page featuring the entire chaplaincy team, and where their responsibilities are.

### ----- November -----

#### **Give thanks and pray for:**

- Contacts with Stagecoach – especially for new drivers settling in, and one who is seriously ill.
- An independent retailer who is able to expand, but needs building work to enable it.
- For the BID staff who have additional work at a busy time of year, due to the sudden departure of their newly appointed CEO.

#### **Please also pray for:**

- A successful build up to Christmas for retailers that is not unduly impacted by on-line shopping
- The staff of an independent retailer closing its Winchester shop to relocate elsewhere.
- Staff in a public service office who are struggling with overwork, staff shortages and a new computer system
- Planning for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Civic Prayer Breakfast on 30<sup>th</sup> November, also that retail chaplains will be able to attend.

### ----- December -----

**In this month please pray especially for the retail team – Liz, Susan, Kate, Babs, Angela & Debbie.**  
**Pray that they may manage to get to see all their retailers in this busy time, and can have significant faith-based conversations despite the busyness.**



#### **Also please pray for:**

- The Christmas market – that both the chaplains & the Churches stand may have a positive Christian influence so that it is not just a commercial event.
- All retail workers in the City under pressure at this festive time that they may have time for relaxation and an appreciation of the true meaning of Christmas.
- The staff at Debenhams with an uncertain future, and for many other chain stores across the country in similar circumstances.
- For Nigel as he as he plans to organise a choir to sing carols in the City Centre, and to offer Christmas hospitality on 20 December.

### ----- January -----

**In this month please pray for wisdom and guidance for the lead chaplain and the management group as they plan the future development of the Chaplaincy, and address some significant issues.**

#### **Please also pray for:**

- The Chaplaincy safeguarding training and for Paul, our safeguarding officer.
- Opportunities to promote the Chaplaincy at Sunday services and other church based groups
- The organisation and success of the 'new style' contact lunches in partnership with the Baptist Church, that new contacts will be made, such as with the County Council.

**Christmas Celebration in Winchester - may the love of the Lord Jesus be there.**



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