PRAYER DIARY

Weekly Prayer Diary for Langley Trust

SPRING 2025



Genuine

This month's Langley value is 'Genuine', which means that 'we are honest, principled and trustworthy.' Our hope is that Langley will shine out for Christ in the Criminal Justice sector.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Thank God that Langley is known to be a trustworthy and principled organisation.
- Pray for many of our clients who find it difficult to trust others, because of their past experiences. Pray that, while they are with Langley, they would learn to trust again.
- Pray that all Langley people would be honest, principled and trustworthy in all that they do.

'For we intend to do what is right not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of others' **2 Corinthians 8: 21**

DORADO

Dorado is a large service covering dispersed housing across the London area. Dorado provides housing and tenancy services for men who generally have lower support needs. However, clients who present with more entrenched support needs and who are subject to licence conditions, can also be helped. London presents its own unique challenges and our Dorado staff are skilled in working with these clients and engaging well with other local services.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for a spirit of unity and for growth, at Dorado, despite some challenging times with staff turnover, office space restrictions, high rental debts and lack of client engagement.
- Pray for suitable, permanent office space, in Croydon, and in the future, for Wembley.
- Pray for more move on opportunities, for clients. There is a lack of available affordable housing, especially in London, making moving on difficult.

'Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose.' **Philippians 2: 2**

CHATTERTON HEY

Chatterton Hey is a registered care home for men with health care issues, dual diagnosis of substance misuse and mental health or a learning disability. It is set in a rural location, 6 miles from Bury town centre and 11 miles from Manchester city centre. The service provides personcentred support, one-to-one key working, physical care, medical care, psychological and mental health care and in-house social and clinical supervision for those who require this service

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks that Chatterton Hey was fully occupied going into 2025 and for clients who are committed to making positive changes, wanting to better themselves, and are keen to do well. The team are looking forward to supporting them and seeing each one flourish.
- Pray for a longstanding client who is facing significant health issues. Pray that he feels safe, looked after, supported, cared for and loved. Pray for staff as they offer support.
- Give thanks for the beautiful buildings and surroundings of Chatterton Hey. Pray for growing relationships with the local community and that clients would be embedded into the community.

'My people will live in peaceful dwelling places, in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest.' **Isaiah 32: 18**

Learning & Development team

Langley's Learning and Development Team develop and deliver the specific training all our staff and volunteers need to carry out their roles well.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Thank God for the continued success and implementation of the new Langley Academy online training. Pray that staff teams continue to use Langley Academy to increase training compliance across the Trust.
- Pray for staffing within the team, following a number of changes within the team.
- Pray for new skills and learning experiences for staff members studying on apprenticeship programmes and those wanting to start apprenticeships.

'Anything you say to the wise will make them wiser. Whatever you tell the righteous will add to their knowledge.' **Proverbs 9: 9**

Kadesh

Kadesh, in Kent, offers a hostel as well as dispersed accommodation for clients who are able to live in the community with support from our staff. These clients present with a variety of needs and are usually at risk of re-offending so receiving the right level of support is really important for them. For some clients, their life skills need developing and Kadesh is an ideal place in which to learn.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for the favour Kadesh is receiving from local churches and that clients are being blessed by this.
- Pray for another community house in 2025.
- Pray for an increase in female clients, motivated to make positive changes in their lives. The team would love more female referrals.

'For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you' **2 Corinthians 9: 10**

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HMP FOSSE WAY ADVICE SERVICE

Langley Trust is contracted, by Serco, to provide specialist accommodation and debt advice to prisoners, at HMP Fosse Way. This advice is delivered in the prison, in the Resettlement Hub or on individual wings. HMP Fosse Way is a brand-new Category C Resettlement Prison in Leicester. It is designed with provision for education, training, and jobs for prisoners on release, with the intention to cut crime and reduce reoffending. Their goal is for prisoners to learn new skills and acquire training that will provide them with a viable opportunity to work in key industries, when back in the community.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for the motivated team working in the HMP Fosse Way Advice Service.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to fill the prison, changing attitudes and behaviour and for the Langley Team working with the prisoners and bringing hope.
- Pray for more accommodation openings so that fewer people leave prison without a home and for help with debt resolution, to alleviate anxiety, while in Prison.

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Tekoa house

Tekoa House provides housing and tenancy services for homeless men, especially those who are local to Rochdale. The service helps men to find stability and improve their situation as well as opportunities to develop skills in maintaining a tenancy. The service is staffed 24 hours a day and provides full board for its clients. With staff support, many clients are helped into suitable move-on accommodation.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for the team who make the service so effective.
- Thank God for a healthy pipeline of referrals.
- Pray that, while they are with Langley, more clients and staff would trust Jesus for salvation, especially clients in dispersed accommodation.

'Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.' **Acts 4: 12**

Easter

At Easter we celebrate the amazing true story of redemption, resurrection and total transformation, through Jesus Christ. At Langley, we believe that redemption and transformation are possible in every life and we work to offer hope of a new future to our clients.

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PRAYER TOPICS

- Thank God that He offers us all redemption, transformation and hope.
- Many of our clients are working towards long term transformation in their lives, pray for them as they make those challenging changes.
 Pray for our staff, that they would have the skills, patience and hope to support clients, over long periods of time.
- Pray that our clients and staff would know the resurrection power of Jesus Christ.

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care team

Our Care Team is responsible for securing referrals into our care homes and services, as well as working with commissioners and referrers to ensure that we understand clients' care needs and are able to meet them. The team understands the value of building trust and relationships, as there can be many months of discussion and negotiation following a client's assessment, before the package of care and costs are agreed. The Team also leads the Trust on Client Risk Management, supporting clients to make the changes needed to live offence free lives.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for the Care Team and especially for Julie and Rajan, joining the team on long term secondments to cover planned leave. Pray that they would have enthusiastic hearts, as they learn their new roles and pray for Ria and Tamsin during their leave.
- Thank God for His favour at House of St. Martin (HSM), in the weeks following their 'Good' rating with the Care Quality Commission (CQC). This has led to increased referrals and the potential to reach planned occupancy levels.
- Pray for the HSM team, as they adjust to new clients and for recruitment of appropriate staff to deliver care to an increasing number of clients.

Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him. Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.' **Psalm 62: 5-6**

05 May

Respectful

One of our Langley values is that we are 'respectful' which means that 'we respect all people, act inclusively and engage widely'. We see value in each of our clients, staff and volunteers, made in the image of God and we aim to treat them with respect, empathy and acceptance; in the way that we would treat Jesus Himself.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Thank God for creating each one of our clients, staff and volunteers as unique and precious.
- Many of our clients have experiences where they were not treated well by others. Please pray that, despite their pasts, they will know that they are precious to God.
- Pray for our amazing staff teams, as they work with clients who have complex needs, that they would always see beyond the challenging behaviour, to the person beneath, who is made in God's image.

'So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them' **Genesis 1: 27**



THE KNOLE

The Knole is a registered care home in Cheltenham for men who have offended or are at risk of offending and who have multiple needs, including mental health needs or a learning disability. The staff are deeply committed to delivering excellent care to clients with quite complex needs, and teamwork is a particularly strong feature at this service.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for the team at The Knole; for the diversity and skills that are developing within the Team and the joy they bring within the workplace.
- Pray for the Knole chaplaincy team, for continued strength and growth in all areas.
- Pray for new creative ways to engage with clients, to encourage them to flourish and succeed in their personal, physical, and spiritual goals.

'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.' **Romans 15: 13**

19 May

People services (HR) team

Our People Services (HR) Team are responsible for supporting our volunteers, staff and managers from before they join us, through to the end of their time with Langley. They are usually the first point of contact with candidates to Langley (first impressions count!) and engage with new joiners as they prepare to join their teams. People Business Partners play a vital role for everyone who works or volunteers at Langley- truly partnering with our Services to provide support on recruitment; performance management; attendance at work; Wellbeing; Equality, Diversity & Inclusion (ED&I); as well as providing expert advice on employment law and supporting compliance with Langley Policies and Procedures.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Thank God for each individual team member and their talents, commitment, co-operation and resilience.
- Pray that team members will feel settled, following a period of significant change and the recent implementation of the new People Services structure.
- Pray that each member of the team will draw closer to Jesus and for those staff who don't yet know Christ, to feel inspired and encouraged to learn more about Jesus and attend the next Alpha course.

'Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.' **1 Peter 4: 10**

26 May

Langley Retreat

At Langley, all our leaders, have a faith in Jesus Christ, which shapes the life-changing work they do. Next week, we are gathering our Trustees, Chaplains, Senior Leaders and Managers for a retreat at High Leigh Conference Centre. This is a time to be renewed, refreshed and empowered to continue their amazing work.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Thank God for High Leigh Conference Centre and for the team who have welcomed us, over the last few years.
- Pray for last minute preparations and for invited speakers, as they listen to the Holy Spirit for a word for Langley.
- Pray that delegates meet with Jesus and are renewed and refreshed, praying especially for new staff, that they would feel at ease.
- Pray for teams left 'holding the fort' while their leaders are away, that the Lord would give them all they need as they serve our clients.

'All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realise what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.' **2 Timothy 3: 16-17**

VOLUNTEERS' WEEK

 Volunteers' Week is an annual UK-wide campaign held from the first Monday in June to celebrate and recognise the contributions of volunteers. At Langley, we are blessed to have volunteers fulfilling a variety of roles within our services; from gardeners, to befrienders, chaplains to minibus drivers and administrators. We are so thankful for all that they bring to Langley and we celebrate them, this week.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Please give thanks for all our incredible volunteers, volunteer chaplains and Trustees who dedicate their time, skills, and energy in helping our clients to transform their lives.
- Please pray for more volunteers and volunteer chaplains with the right skills and hearts to help the broken to join our teams throughout Langley.
- Please pray for strength and protection as our volunteers step out to undertake our mission to transform the lives of those who are in our care.

'Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord and not for people.' **Colossians 3: 23**

visionary

One of our Langley values is that we are 'Visionary', meaning that 'we are aspirational, enabling change, hope and flourishing throughout Langley'. We want to see our clients the way that God sees them and share the same vision and hope for their future that He holds for them.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Thank God for His continued vision for the work of Langley, over many years and for the lives that He has changed.
- Many of our clients have been in the 'system' for many years and it can find it difficult to hope for change. Pray that the Lord give clients vision for their lives and revives hope within them for change.
- Pray for staff and volunteers to inspire and enable change in others, in sometimes challenging circumstances.



'When people do not accept divine guidance, they run wild. But whoever obeys the law is joyful' **Proverbs 29: 18**

HOUSE OF ST. MARTIN

House of St. Martin (HSM) is a registered care home for men who have offended or are at risk of offending, and who present with multiple needs, including substance misuse, mental health needs or a learning disability. It is located three miles from Taunton and is particularly suitable for those with mobility issues.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for a vibrant activities programme at HSM and for their recent client Alpha course.
- Pray for new Support Workers to join the team; with a heart for the work and that they would complement the existing team of highly skilled individuals.
- Pray that new clients joining HSM will feel welcomed and cared for and find opportunities to develop themselves in a safe space.

'Be concerned above everything else with the Kingdom of God and with what he requires of you, and he will provide you with all these other things' **Matthew 6: 33**

BOX TREE COTTAGE

Box Tree Cottage is an Independent Approved Premises (IAP), in Bradford, housing men on their release from Prison. Referrals and allocations to Box Tree Cottage are made by Probation Central Referrals Unit.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks that, despite continuous changes within the Criminal Justice sector, the team has continued to deliver a seamless service with dedication, care, compassion and love, to every client.
- Pray that Box Tree Cottage continues to protect the public by empowering clients and helping them to reduce the risk they pose, by addressing issues such as Mental ill health, trauma, and substance misuse.
- Pray for the recruitment of Chaplains to Box Tree Cottage.

'He is the Rock; his deeds are perfect. Everything he does is just and fair. He is a faithful God who does no wrong; how just and upright he is!' **Deuteronomy 32: 4**

30 June

Park view

Park View provides extra care services for men who have offended or are at risk of offending, and present with multiple and complex needs, mental health issues and substance misuse issues. Located close to Fleetwood and with easy access to a lovely park, it offers a good level of support and key working for clients.

PRAYER TOPICS

- Give thanks for a fully staffed, dedicated and enthusiastic team and for full occupancy, at the Park View service.
- Pray for the health of a Park View client, living with epilepsy; that they would be able to lead a healthy and fulfilled life.
- Pray for one of Park View's clients, hoping to move on, this year; that he would have a bright future ahead.

'For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.' **Jeremiah 29: 11**





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