

Prayer Points

- Give thanks for the Lord's funding provision!
- Give thanks for changed lives
- Continued prayer for the Lighthouse project, that they find new premises within Tillydrone soon
- Pray for Curtis for guidance and strength, until we can provide additional help
- Pray for Curtis and Amy as they get married in April



British YFC have designated 2017 as a special year of focused prayer. As part of this, NESYFC have committed to:

- Another 24hr Prayer Event in Autumn 2017
- Prayer Spaces in Schools through the Mission ministry
- Steering group members interceding every day for the young people of Tillydrone
- Monthly one hour prayer session at Mission church with other churches in the area
- Prayer at monthly Steering Group meetings and quarterly Advisory Body meetings
- Engaging with BYFCs days of prayer

Will you join us in your daily prayer time, and let us know?

Help us!

You can help us reach young people with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Pray for us and the young people of the North East. Volunteer, working with young people or in background support. Give, in your will, a few pounds a month or a one-off. All makes a difference!



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Welcome!

Hello Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

Psalm 92 vs 4 "For you make me glad by your deeds, O Lord; I sing for joy at the work of your hands"



As we approach Easter and reflect on Christ's amazing sacrifice for us on the cross, we give thanks to the Lord for His provision! Since the last Newsletter, the Lord guided us to an unexpected regular source of income. Together with other sacrificial giving from individuals, this should cover the cost of the existing work for the next few years. Phew! This was most surely the Lord's intervention and provision, and we praise Him!

We are still looking for funding for much needed additional help for Curtis, but holding off until the Lighthouse project re-location issue is resolved, and we see what such a role might look like. Please pray for this.

In this issue, see the link for an interview with Curtis and a TLG befriending pupil. Give thanks for changed lives!

Hank's Panel

Hi footie fans (not talking about England rugby game!)

It's been a very busy time at Seaton through the winter, with some great relationship building and team work with Seaton Church and the Bus. I am looking forward to seeing the action at St Machar Academy when the Cage goes in there again after the Easter break.



Please help me! Additional volunteers are still needed to join the Cage team – talking to the young people outside the Cage, or helping to collect Cage and assemble it. Also someone to help look after the whole Cage operation. I am only an inanimate bear, after all, and I would help if I could, but I can't! I can cheer you on, though!

Outreach update

Youth worker Curtis Sangbarani looks back on the highlights of 2016.

Work has been busy coming up towards the Easter holidays and as I look back there has been a lot to be positive about.



Seaton Cage Football - started this year with a bang, Seaton kids and youngsters have continued to come out in big numbers and show off their talented football skills. Big age range, Primary and Secondary.

TLG and God slots - where we share for 5 minutes in the group sessions have continued to make an impact on their lives and they are starting to respond to the messages. We are also seeing growth and change in these young lives. This past month we have made a promotional video for the work we do with the TLG project, you can watch it online <http://goo.gl/rCnpVL>

Riverbank football. We have secured another premises for our Football games. Previously, due to the lack of lifts and manpower, it was hard to transport kids across from Riverbank to Harlaw playing fields and back every Saturday. Then we got use of pitch at Riverbank, but unfortunately the council no longer give us a let to use this schools field due to no janitorial cover. Thankfully we have resolved this and now have St Machar Astro pitch out on a let which is a short walking distance for everyone in the team.

St Machar Academy Cage Football. Coming up towards Easter we are very excited to relaunch our cage football into the St Machar Academy. We originally did this through 2016 every Thursday lunchtime but felt, looking forward and considering the weather in Winter months, it would be best

to have it from after the Easter holidays to the October holidays hoping that the conditions to play in would be a bit warmer. However I'm not sure it ever gets warm in Scotland! We are continuing to build and disciple youngsters and have seen a big growth and development and really believe for lives to be saved this 2017!

Curtis



Meet a volunteer

A brief intro to Kat Beedie, who has just joined our steering group as a volunteer

Hi - I am currently studying Applied Sciences and Higher English Part time. I also work part time as a Customer Care Assistant at McDonald's!

My hobbies are going to the gym and working as a volunteer, in whatever capacity I can!



Favourite colour: Purple

Favourite film: Shawshank Redemption

I joined NESYFC to get involved in more youth work and to use my skills in Administration for God's glory!

We need MORE new people to come and join us. Could it be you?



About the TLG Charity – Transforming Lives for Good

All over the UK, children are struggling in school for all kinds of reasons and many families are suffering without hope. The effects of bullying, bereavement, family breakdown, poverty or being in the care system can have a huge impact on a child's education. The associated bad behaviour can lead them to being excluded from school. Some children may be struggling with a lack of confidence, have no positive role models, or just need an adult to talk to.



TLG Early Intervention provides a practical solution to support children, families and schools in their community.

They intervene at the crossroads to bring support, care and education to make sure that children have a hope for the future and that their life is not over before it's even started. This may be through a volunteer offering one to one help to act as a mentor, right through to intensive support of young people and their families that have been excluded from school.

Curtis has been through TLG training, and an example of his work with young people can be seen via link shown in Curtis report or on our web site www.nesyfc.org.uk