

LAUNCESTON STREET PASTORS NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2017



Dear Friends,

We have much to be grateful for during 2017, as shown by the statistics below.

Since the beginning of the year:

- Over **135** volunteer hours have been given on the streets and in prayer from 10am – 1pm.
- **70** bottles or cans picked up and numerous glasses returned to Public Houses.
- **18** flip flops given out
- **14** bottles of water given out

In the last year, we have recorded helping over 35 people in some way or other towards getting home safely, from escorting them to a taxi to ensuring and calling for paramedic assistance, giving simple first aid, to having long in depth conversations about life issues, praying for people and giving out Bibles when asked for them. Sitting, waiting and listening.....

We have also handed out with chats and smiles many lollipops and used the odd wet wipe or two!

To date we have 14 active Street Pastors and 8 Prayer Pastors from all the denominations represented from Churches Together in Launceston.

Always Recruiting

As ever we are seeking new **Street Pastors**, a full and varied training programme is provided and uniform. So could you do it? Could you sacrifice one Saturday evening once a month, to talk to and help people on the streets of your town? Launceston like all towns and city centres becomes a different place once all the shops have shut and the street lights have come on. We are blessed in Launceston to have such a good night time economy team, with the Street Pastors, our friends on the CCTV cameras, the Police and some lovely door staff. Launceston is a friendly town and a popular choice for a night out. Training is quite simple. Attendance at the compulsory Roles and Responsibilities Training held here in Launceston or a local town eg. Bude or Okehampton. There are core training modules such as Safeguarding, Police, Listening Skills, Drugs and Alcohol Awareness and First Aid and going out twice with the existing team for hands on training.

All recruits must be active Christians and connected with a local church, over 18 years old and be prepared to have a reference from their Church Leader and have DBS check. If you are interested in joining our team, why not contact our Coordinator Rachel Bate to arrange coming out as an Observer with us? There is no pressure to sign on the dotted line, just come and check it out.

Prayer Pastor Role



Having **Prayer Pastors** at the Street Pastor base, The Salvation Army Hall is invaluable and essential.

The role description is:

- In good health
- Able to stay up from 10pm to 1pm
- A Christian and regular church attendee (you will need a reference from your church leader)
- Willing to welcome the patrol back to base and help with refreshments.

We pray in pairs at the Base and at a Prayer Pastors home.

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