





A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

Are you in need of some daily hope during this lockdown? There is a FREE telephone line set up by the Church of England where you can hear comforting hymns, daily prayers and reflections. Pass this number on to anyone you know who might appreciate this

# 0800 804 8044

Don't forget you can now book online for the "Interfaith Share The Light" event on Saturday 19th December and for our online "Christingle Service" on Sunday 20th.





Pop over to our website to book <u>here</u>

### Preston Churches in Prayer

On Tuesday mornings at 7.30 Join Christians from around Preston for prayer on zoom email Andy Pratt: andrewpratt1@btinternet.com for an invitation Issue 36 December 13th 2020

#### Services in our building

We are very pleased that we can once again hold services in our building. We now have the equipment we need for livestreaming, so as well as our evening service at 6pm, our morning services will be



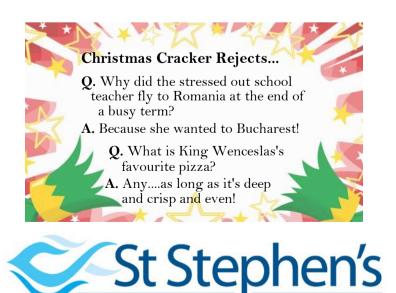
starting again this Sunday at 10.30, and will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel simultaneously.

We will need to observe social distancing, so can only fit a limited number of people in the building. Therefore we will need to book into the services. As space is limited we are asking that people choose one service to attend initially (if there is still space after everyone has had a chance to book, you will be able to book for the other service as well) we hope that everyone who wants to attend a service in the building will be able to do so, either in the morning or evening.

Some people will not be able to attend in person, and our online services will continue for as long as they are needed.

Adults can book for themselves by logging into the website or <u>emailing the office</u> \* If you are booking as a family, please <u>email the office</u>\* and we can do this for you. Please let us know the names and ages of any children.

\* Please note the office hours are 9am - 12noon Monday-Friday. Outside these times please contact Pat to book.



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#### News & Prayer Requests from Shino & Shania



Translating videos into Somali

We have had a lot of support from David Wood, a very popular YouTuber for a long time. We had the opportunity to share our testimonies on his YouTube channel and this was particularly amazing as his videos had a very big help in Shania's journey to Christianity. We have been working hard to translate his videos to Somali with Shankar for other Somalis to understand the truth of Islam and the love of Christ. These dubbing videos are still doing very well with our audience.

Prayer points:

- Please pray that the dubbed videos impact many Somalis who are unsure about Islam and for them to find the light of Christ.
- Please pray for our videos to reach as many Somalis as possible.

#### THE CHRISTIAN RESOURCE CENTRE ON FOX STREET IS OPEN AGAIN

We re-opened our Fox Street shop in June after the first National lock down and, like most other retailers, these days are proving to be very difficult trading times with a significant drop in footfall and revenue.

Having been closed for the second lockdown, we are now open again 9am-5pm Monday-Saturday, and have a wide variety of Christmas cards, gifts and books in stock.



We can be contacted by phone (01772 259279) or email (cbcpreston@aol.com) Issue 36 December 13th 2020

## Bible Society

## Stories from Mozambique

Crucial projects run by the team in Mozambique reach people affected by poverty and violence. Their Bible-based

Trauma Healing programmes give people the opportunity to talk through struggles with trained facilitators.

Mariana was able to open up about her experience of rape, having previously not been believed. 'I feel relief in my heart,' she said. 'The trauma I carry was still with me



until today when I managed to share what I have in my heart. I feel relieved because I shared my greatest weight with you.'

There are hundreds of thousands of people in Mozambique who still haven't experienced God's word in their own language. With your help, the team there can press on with their work translating the Bible into these languages for the first time.

Filipe is working hard to bring the Bible to Ciwute-speaking people. 'I joined the translation in May 2019, and it has changed my life,' he said. 'My church is proud of my choice to engage with the first Bible



translation in my mother tongue. This is a very difficult task and I always pray for God's wisdom to translate my language with clarity, transparency and naturalness.'

Thank you for keeping life-changing projects like these going. The money raised by Bible Society supporters will make a real difference and protect Bible mission from the effects of the pandemic.

You can read more of these stories on the Bible Society website  $\underline{here}$ 



