



NISCU North Cumbria

Prayer Pointers June-July 2022

Rachel

Praise and Thanks

- I continue to be astounded and greatly encouraged by the sheer number of opportunities we have in so many schools – more opportunities than are physically possible!
- For the opportunity to join the Central Academy staff team for their Transition Day when all the Year 6 visit for the day.
- For good family time and weather over the half term holiday ready for this very busy half term.

Pleas Please

- For schools to have great wisdom on what to prioritise this term: one staff member said recently that they didn't feel like the term was long enough and there simply isn't enough time to fit everything in...
- For schools waiting for Ofsted/SIAMS visits/results, that they will not be overly worried and will feel ready for any visits; that we can offer support and encouragement in some way (Ofsted are in the area: both Trinity and Central have been visited in recent weeks).

Hayley

Praise and Thanks

- For the opportunity to be back in schools and sharing my friend Jesus with them.
- For some amazing conversations and the welcome back to schools that I've received

Pleas Please

- For continued healing: I'm frustrated at not being able to do more and I get extremely tired after being in school.
- For wisdom for September: lots of schools are wanting to book things in for next term, and I would like to say yes to all of them; however, I am just not sure what my health will be like by then.
- For good rest and recovery over the summer holidays.

Ruth

Praise and Thanks

- For really good relationships building up with the young people at Morton, and a good consistent group coming to both the first and second sessions.
- For a good session at Kirkbride on "Why is the bible important to Christians?" The children were really enthusiastic and enjoyed looking through the bibles. I left a couple of bibles for the class and they now have a waiting list of children who want to take them home for the week to borrow them. Praise God!
- That schools are so open to us coming in and sharing faith with the children.

Pleas Please

- For those in Year 6, that they will end primary school well and feel equipped and ready for their next step; that our transition lessons would go well, and that God would use them to be a great help and blessing as part of the moving on process.

Becky

Praise and Thanks

- For some days recently when I've felt much more energised, or when I've been able to do a bit more without it knocking me back or making me so exhausted. I know I still need to take things slowly and not rush the recovery process, but it really has been so encouraging to see these glimpses of greater healing!
- That I've been able to get to church – and stay for coffee! – twice in the past few weeks; I'm hoping that I'll be able to go in person at least every other week from now on.

Please Please

- For continued and fuller healing and increase in energy levels, and wisdom in making sure I don't try to do too much too soon just because I'm feeling a bit more energised.
- For discernment in whether or not it's right to try and join in with some school visits this term, and how to balance that with planning and preparation of material, and other tasks.

Puppets

Praise and Thanks

- A huge thank you for all your prayers – performances at Hayton and Stoneraise schools went so well, and Stoneraise is desperate to book us up for the Christmas performance!
- That we have been able to book in schools for the remaining slots we had left.

Please Please

- For our upcoming puppet performances (see prayer diary for details), that they will give glory to God; that lots of the children will really get the message that Jesus is our real superhero, and that this fact will stay with them and help them to find that Jesus is their very best friend!
- For the health of the team, especially Sheila's husband, Alan, who has been in and out of hospital.
- That we would be able to recruit and train up new members who have Thursday mornings available.

General

Praise and Thanks

- That Ruth will be continuing on the staff team for another year, and the ability this gives us to be in more schools whilst Hayley and Becky continue to regain health and strength.
- For the opportunity we will have to meet together at the AGM on Monday 20th June to celebrate all that God has been doing in our schools over the past year.
- For everyone who supports NISCU – church partners who come with us to schools, people who pray for us, people who check in with us, etc. We really couldn't do it without you all!

Please Please

- For those pupils who are nearing the end of exam season (most GCSEs and A-Levels finish around 23rd/24th June); that they can have a good rest afterwards. This has been an incredibly stressful time as none of them have sat exams like this before, and many feel they have gaps in their learning.
- For more people to step forward to get involved with the work of NISCU in this area, and wisdom for the staff team and support group to know how to re-engage with more friends and supporters now that physical gatherings are permitted.

NISCU North Cumbria Prayer Diary: June/July 2022

Date	School/Church/Team	Activity	Time	Who
June				
Mon 20 th	Lanercost (LISH)	Cathedral Day	08:45-12:15	Ruth
	Brook Street	Transition Lesson	09:00-10:30	Rachel
	NISCU Wide	Team Meeting (online)	09:30-10:00	NISCU staff
	Trinity	Lunch Club	12:00-13:30	NYC & local churches
	Pennine Way	Transition Lesson	12:45-15:00	Rachel
	Kirkbampton	Transition Lesson	13:00-14:00	Hayley & Ruth
	AGM and Celebration	(@ St Peter's)	19:15-20:15	Everyone
Tues 21 st	Lanercost (LISH)	Cathedral Day	09:00-15:45	Rachel
	Morton Academy	Lunch club	12:15-13:15	Ruth & NYC
	Lanercost	Collective Worship	14:50-15:20	Rachel
	Kingmoor Juniors	Quest Club	15:00-17:00	Ruth
Wed 22 nd	Hayton	Transition Lesson	10:00-12:00	Rachel
	Central Academy	Lunch Club	12:15-13:25	Rachel & Brian (Hebron)
Thurs 23 rd	Kirkbampton	Puppets	09:30-10:30	Puppet Team
	William Howard	Lunch Club	11:00-13:00	Rachel & Ruth Hutchinson (NYC)
	Nelson Thomlinson	Lunch Club	12:30-13:30	Hayley
	Lanercost	Transition Lesson	13:00-14:30	Rachel
Fri 24 th	Houghton	Transition Lesson	09:30-11:00	Rachel
Mon 27 th	Brampton	Collective Worship and Transition Lesson	09:00-11:00	Rachel
	NISCU Wide	Team Meeting (online)	09:30-10:00	NISCU staff
	NISCU North Cumbria	Team Meeting (online)	11:30-12:30	Rachel, Hayley, Ruth, Becky
	Trinity	Lunch Club	12:00-13:30	NYC & local churches
Tues 28 th	Inglewood	Transition Lessons	08:30-12:00	Rachel
	Morton Academy	Lunch Club	12.15-13:15	Ruth & NYC
	Thomlinson Junior	Transition Lesson	13:00-15:00	Rachel & Hayley
	Kingmoor Juniors	Quest Club	15:00-17:00	Ruth
	LISH	Review/planning mtg.	16:45-17:45	Rachel
Wed 29 th	Kingmoor Juniors	Transition Lessons	09:00-12:00	Rachel & Ruth
	Central Academy	Lunch Club	12:15-13:20	Rachel & Brian (Hebron)
Thurs 30 th	Scotby	Puppets	09:30-10:30	Puppet Team
	William Howard	Lunch Club	11:00-13:00	Rachel & Ruth Hutchinson (NYC)
	Nelson Thomlinson	Lunch Club	12:30-13:30	Hayley
	Blackford	Transition Lesson	13:30-14:30	Rachel
July				
Fri 1 st	Cumwhinton	Transition Lesson	09:00-11:00	Rachel
Mon 4 th	Central Academy	Transition Day	08:00-15:45	Rachel
	NISCU Wide	Team Meeting (online)	09:30-10:00	NISCU Staff
	NISCU North Cumbria	Team Meeting (online)	11:00-12:00	Hayley, Ruth, Becky
	Trinity	Lunch Club	12:00-13:30	NYC & local churches
Tues 5 th	Yewdale	Transition Lesson	09:00-10:00	Rachel
	Morton Academy	Lunch Club	12.15-13:20	Ruth & NYC
	Scotby	Collective Worship	13:30-14:30	Rachel

	Kingmoor Juniors	Quest Club	15:00-17:00	Ruth
Wed 6 th	Kirkbride	Transition Lesson and Q&A	09:00-12:00	Hayley & Ruth
	Central Academy	Lunch Club	12:15-13:20	Rachel & Brian (Hebron)
Thurs 7 th	Hallbankgate	Transition Lesson and Collective Worship	09:00-11:00	Rachel
	William Howard	Lunch Club	11:00-13:00	Rachel & Ruth Hutchinson (NYC)
	Nelson Thomlinson	Lunch Club	12:30-13:30	Hayley
Mon 11 th	NISCU Wide	Team Meeting (online)	09:30-10:00	NISCU Staff
	NISCU North Cumbria	Team Meeting (online)	11:00-12:00	Hayley, Ruth, Becky
	Trinity	Lunch Club	12:00-13:30	NYC & local churches
Tues 12 th	Morton Academy	Lunch Club	12.15-13:20	Ruth & NYC
	Kingmoor Juniors	Quest Club	15:00-17:00	Ruth
Wed 13 th	Central Academy	Lunch Club	12:15-13:20	Rachel & Brian (Hebron)
	Raughton Head	Transition Lesson	13:00-14:00	Ruth
	Crosby	Transition Lesson and Collective Worship	14:00-15:30	Rachel
Thurs 14 th	Stoneraise	Collective Worship and Transition Lesson	09:00-11:00	Rachel
	Shankhill	Puppets	09:30-10:30	Puppet Team
	Blackford	Collective Worship	10:30-11:30	Rachel
	William Howard	Lunch Club	11:00-13:00	Rachel & Ruth Hutchinson (NYC)
	Nelson Thomlinson	Lunch Club	12:30-13:30	Hayley
	Fir Ends	Transition Lesson	13:30-14:30	Rachel
Fri 15 th	Scotby	Transition Lesson	09:00-10:30	Rachel
Sun 17 th	Gaitsgill	NISCU Sunday	11:00-12:00	Rachel
Mon 18 th	NISCU Wide	Team Day	09:00-15:30	NISCU Staff + others
	Trinity	Lunch Club	12:00-13:30	NYC & local churches
	Prayer Meeting	@ St Peter's	19:30-20:30	Everyone
Tues 19 th	Morton Academy	Lunch Club	12.15-13:20	Ruth, NYC & St James
	Lanercost	Collective Worship	14:50-15:20	Rachel
	Kingmoor Juniors	Quest Club	15:00-17:00	Ruth

Please also continue to pray for those schools where lunch clubs are not currently running:

- Caldew and Limehouse (usually both on a Wednesday)

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