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'And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another - and all the more as you see the Day approaching' Hebrews 10: 24-25

It would be so great to see as many of you as possible at some of the events we have coming up. The brilliant Andy Kind is coming to do comedy night for us on |World Homeless Day (10th Oct) - Andy has been one of the country's leading Christian stand up comedians for many years now. We've also got our Ploughman's and Quiz Night on 17th September, this will be at Kingfisher Church.

In October we have our Big City Sleepouts to

mark World Homeless Weekend plus on World Homeless Sunday myself and Sarah will be talking at the Morning Eucharist Service at the Cathedral. We will then be back at the Cathedral once again for our Carol Concert on 1st December - all very welcome. We shall give updates about our work at each of these evets.

We are seeing an increased number in rough sleepers and also people needing help generally at the moment. If you are concerned about someone sleeping rough please do Streelink them (details on p4) - its really quick and easy to do and gets that person into the system so that the authorities have to encourage them to engage with the homeless services that are on offer.

Kevin Howie, General Manager



















This month saw a special GCM wedding when Nik and Jen were married in the Cathedral. They were blessed by so many people in the preparation for the day and wanted to pass on their thanks to everyone who helped them.

The GCM staff were involved in many ways, Lou made their cake and then her and Sarah helped with Jen's dress. Kevin acted as Nik's Best Man during the service. Also the photographer, Alex, has worked with GCM in the past and gave up her time to do the

photos and arranged for a video of the day. Jen was given away by Alan Myatt and Canon Andrew, Acting Dean, carried out the ceremony.

Thank you to everyone who blessed the couple with a donation through our Facebook page. The couple wanted to buy a new microwave, however a brand new one was then donated by the DGAT Team, so Nik and Jen have used the gifts to buy a new TV.

# Nik and Jen's Wedding



This month we have had some staff changes in Revive. Darren has been promoted to become Revive's Assistant Supervisor and Jayne has left us to move back up to her family Birmingham where she will be working with the homeless charity, Trident Reach.

We are so grateful for everything that Jayne has done for GCM over these past years from being a volunteer to working in Revive and the Winter Shelter. She will be missed but I know that she will pop back to see us all. Please pray for her as she starts this next exciting adventure.





### **Tredworth and Barton Day**

We attended the **Tredworth and Barton Community Day** to raise awareness about our work and to also run a sweet stall. It was a fabulous day and the staff and volunteers really enjoyed being there.

Next up is **Gloucester Day on September 3rd,** if you are in town come and say hello:)



Thank you to the volunteer team from Mears Group, the residents at Serco house for a donation of clothes and toiletries, Nandos for their continued support, Tesco for large donation of chicken and other items and CCP for a donation of fresh fruit.

#### **Renew Garden Project.**

Wow, thank the Lord for all of Creation. How amazing is the Renew Garden looking?

Thank you especially to our volunteer team Sue,
Margaret and Tom for all of the work they have put into
the garden, it is looking stunning.

If you would like to come and give a few hours to help in the garden each week please contact elaine@gloscitymission.org.uk

The next phase is being carried out at the end of the month when RB Landscaping are giving up their time and coming in to clear the wasteland area by the road and put up a new fence so that we can create a mindfulness and memorial garden for clients to use.







Please click <u>HERE</u> to find direct links to give a donation to our work







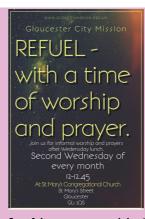




How can you give to help us?

Apart from financial gifts there are many ways to help our work including donating items. We keep an up to date list of things that we need <u>here</u>

We also have a 'Shopping List' of items available to order through Amazon which can then be delivered directly to us. <u>Please click here to see</u> the list





Refuel is our monthly Prayer and Praise time for clients, staff, volunteers and guests. It is held on the second Wednesday of the month from 12-12.45 at St Mary's Congregational Church. All are welcome.

The next Refuel is on Weds. 14th Sept.

### **Prayer Points**

We are launching a new monthly emailed prayer sheet with daily prayer points. If you would like to sign up to receive a copy please CLICK HERE

Please pray for GCM's clients, volunteers and staff. Please pray that Jayne settles in to her new life n Birmingham.

This month we give thanks for the variety of work that we do from hearing good news about clients who have gone from rough sleeping to being settled in accommodation through to supporting clients like Nik and Jen.

Please pray that the next Alpha course starting in a few weeks runs smoothly and that participants are able to seek answers to the questions that they have.









# THE BIG CITY SLEEPOUT WILL BE OVER THE WEEKEND OF 7TH - 10TH **OCTOBER**

### Details are available here

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