

24-7 PRAYER WEEK 19-26 July 2020

Sunday to Monday

- ❖ Just had the privilege of kicking off the second 24/7 prayer week, so thought I'd give you our feedback. It was brilliant 🙌 although we as a family were far from perfect (ie singing out of tune, finding it difficult to be still in silence for even 5 minutes let alone 10) but the hour whizzed by ✨ It turned out our Joe & Tom had done the prayer guide (which I was unaware of 😊) and we loosely kept to it although Tom did live praise with his guitar (rather than the suggested video links). We were all encouraged (Alex especially being ministered to) and are looking forward to our next hour slot !
God blessTony , Alex & the boys...🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏
- ❖ A big thank you to Paul Hine for the family prayer guide. We had a really engaging hour of prayer as a family and would encourage other families to have a go. The Cosslett Family
- ❖ MONDAY MORNING SESSION:
Used Psalm 145 to focus our prayers of praise.
Prayed through Micah 6:8; as a group were particularly struck by 'walking humbly with our God':
 - God is interested in us as individuals as well as keeping the universe running!!!
 - Idea of walking through life with Jesus as on the road to Emmaus
 - Our Identity is in Him; as we decrease, He increases
 - Surrender -> relieves us of thinking too much of ourselves
 - Learning to live in today, in the moment
- ❖ LUNCHTIME SESSION:
Readings brought to the meeting Psalm 43 and Zephaniah 3 v 17.
Someone had a picture of a big door with a key in the lock, when the key was turned, the door opened just a little bit so that we could peek what was inside and see just a small bit of what God has in store for us. This linked with the Matt Redmond song we listened to "I will offer up my life" which has the words "opened wide the gates of Heaven and have beckoned me in".
Realisation that Justice and mercy (love) are clearly linked in the heart of God. Walking humbly is not easy that that we need lots of forgiveness for judging people wrongly.
As followers of Christ we have to live out Micah 6 v 8 and be Jesus to everyone we meet.
- ❖ Thank you to all those who join us at the SWBA united prayer meeting. We join a couple of hundred others across the region to seek God together. Asking:
 - 1. What might God be asking us to 'leave behind' from the things we were doing before?
 - 2. How is God challenging us to move from 'doing church' to 'being the Church'?
 - 3. Are we really prepared to allow the Holy Spirit to 'fill our sails' and take us to places we've never been before?