

Langley House Trust is an innovative Christian charity that provides specialist housing, programmes and support in the community, and targeted advice in prisons, for offenders seeking to live crime-free. Since 1958 we have earned an enviable reputation for reducing reoffending with proven results.

Part of the Langley House Trust Group, **Kainos Community** transforms lives through Challenge to Change, a pioneering prison-wing community and post-release mentoring programme.

Regardless of a person's history, our passion is to change every life for the better, working with people of all faiths and none.

We have a weekly email prayer resource (ideal for group prayer) and a supporter magazine, **BREAK-OUT**, published four times a year. It contains news, updates, articles, the events diary and all you need to keep up-to-date with our work across the country. To receive either of these resources, please contact us.

LANGLEY HOUSE TRUST

HELPING PEOPLE TO LIVE CRIME-FREE LIVES

Langley House Trust

PO Box 6364
Coventry
CV6 9LL

T: 03330 035025
E: info@langleyhoustrust.org
W: www.langleyhoustrust.org
Twitter: @LangleyHseTrust

Registered Charity No. 1146304
Company No. 7888191

KAINOS COMMUNITY

CHALLENGE TO CHANGE

Kainos Community

PO Box 6364
Coventry
CV6 9LL

T: 02476 619703
E: admin@kainoscommunity.org
W: www.kainoscommunity.org
Twitter: @kainoscommunity

Registered Charity No. 1076206
Company No. 3771649

OCTOBER 2016

Thanks and Praise

01 Thank God for the new supporters that we engaged with over the summer at Christian conferences and events. Praise God for the increased support this has brought through prayer, volunteering and giving.

02 Praise God for the donations that we have received in recent months from individual supporters and grant-making bodies and for the impact this has made on helping our clients to live crime-free.

Conservative Party Conference

03 The Conservative Party Conference started yesterday in Birmingham. Thank God for the good relationship that we have built with the Conservative Christian Fellowship who seek to put Jesus at the centre of the Conservative Party.

04 Langley will be exhibiting on the Conservative Christian Fellowship stand. Pray that this will be a great opportunity to engage with politicians and other key stakeholders about criminal justice issues.

05 Pray for Liz Truss, the new Justice Secretary. She will be making significant decisions with regards prison reform and rehabilitation in the coming months. Pray for real wisdom and integrity in every decision she makes.

Box Tree Cottage (Bradford)

Hostel for 17 male ex-offenders and community houses

06 Thank God for the staff team who work hard with clients who can sometimes be challenging and troubled. Praise God for the good outcomes they achieve.

07 Two staff members, Laura and Annette, have moved on from the Trust to new roles. Thank God for their contribution and pray for the new staff who are coming in in their place.

08 Some clients will be moving on to more independent living in the community. Pray that they will settle in well and pray for new clients coming into Box Tree – that this will be a turning point in their lives.

Prisons Week

09 Starting today, Prisons Week inspires the Christian community to pray for the needs of all those affected by prisons. Langley is a long-term sponsor. Pray that many Christians and churches will engage with Prisons Week and that we will see great change as a result.

10 The Prisons Week prayer focus today is on prisoners. Lift up everyone who is in prison and ask God to transform their hearts. Pray in particular for prisoners on Challenge to Change – that the programme will be a turning point in their lives.

11 Langley and Kainos will be holding our Annual Review launch at the House of Lords today. Praise God for the work that we have done with people in prison and on release and for the impact this has made in changing lives and creating new futures.

12 Pray for families who have a loved one inside prison. They often find it difficult to adjust to having a loved one locked up and children in particular struggle with this.

13 There is often a lot of fear attached to offender rehabilitation projects in the community. Pray for communities to be more understanding of people being released from prison and more accepting of projects that are trying to help.

14 Working in prisons can be tiring and challenging, especially as many prisons are short-staffed. Pray that prison staff will know refreshing and rest and that their hearts will also be moved with compassion as they support those in prison.

15 Lift up in prayer everyone who works in the Criminal Justice system. Thank God for people's hearts to serve and pray that they will also have fresh motivation to keep going, especially when faced with persistent offenders.

Ashdene (Wakefield)

Hostel for 16 male ex-offenders and support for male ex-offenders in their own homes

16 A number of clients are battling with addictions. Pray that God will give them grace and strength to overcome.

17 Another client has been struggling with his mental health. Pray that he will know breakthrough and make a full recovery.

18 Some staff members have recently lost loved ones. Ask God to bless them with His peace and comfort while they grieve.

Murray Lodge (Coventry)

Hostel and community houses for 28 male ex-offenders and support for male and female ex-offenders in their own homes

19 Pray for Bruce, the Project Manager, that God will give him fresh inspiration and motivation as he leads the project. Thank God for him and for the staff team as they support our clients.

20 Thank God for the project's Chaplain. Pray that as he provides a listening ear, clients and staff will open up to him and have a deeper desire to know Jesus for themselves.

21 Pray for every client at Murray Lodge – some are struggling with addictions, some are tackling mental health issues and others are trying to find work. Ask God to bring breakthrough in each area so that men can realise a new future for themselves.

London Projects

Hostels and community-based houses for 85 male ex-offenders

22 Praise God that Friends Road has been able to quickly fill its beds once others have moved on. This is a great breakthrough and has meant more men being able to be supported more quickly.

23 There are still many men on the waiting list for our London projects as accommodation in London is scarce. Pray for those who are waiting to be given a place, some of whom may be sleeping on floors or on the streets.

24 Pray for all the staff involved in assessments and referrals and for strength as they process a high volume of paperwork, without which men couldn't be offered a place at the project.

25 Pray that all the clients who have moved on from Dorado will continue to make positive changes and resist any temptation to go back to an old way of life. Ask God to give them the strength, courage and willpower to succeed.

26 Thank God for the new properties that have come on board at Dorado after four other properties had to be handed back to landlords. Praise God for the hard work of staff and their commitment in working through this situation.

Chatterton Hey (Bury)

Residential care home for 13 male ex-offenders

27 A number of clients have recently moved into their own accommodation. Pray that they will have the strength to seek support when they need it and to believe in themselves, even against all odds.

28 Ask God to open the hearts and minds of new clients coming into the project – pray that they will find hope, will respond positively to the support they receive and establish a new direction for their lives.

29 Chatterton Hey has made a number of links with churches in the area – pray that these links will continually be strengthened and that this will bless both clients and staff.

Kainos Community

Delivering 'Challenge to Change' in three prisons

30 The prison system has been drastically affected by staff shortages. Staff shortages also make it more difficult to run Challenge to Change as the programme needs prison support. Pray for the right prison staffing to be in place.

31 We are able to run the Challenge to Change programme because of a contract with the National Offender Management Service (NOMS). Pray for continued favour and strong programme results so that the contract can continue to be renewed.

Many thanks for your prayers.