

It has taught me that, whatever happens, I am thankful.

It has taught me to be content with what I have and not desire the things of this world, because if you do, you will never be satisfied.

But I do not take Grace for granted, because Jesus gives freedom FROM sin, NOT freedom TO sin. Living a Godly life and having respect for one's fellow people is the outcome of true Grace :

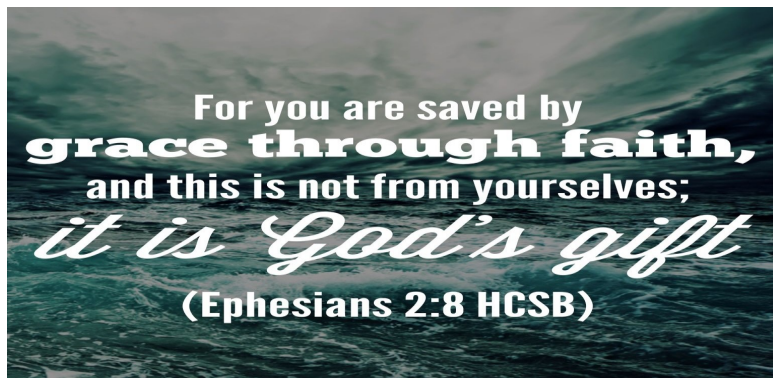
Then Grace is a Person.

Jesus is Grace.

Jesus is full of Grace and Truth.

Grace is love, true love and should be respected not abused. Jesus said I am lowly and humble and I should follow Jesus' advice. Delight in the grace of Jesus, and love one another, this is a life in Christ.

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GREATER MANCHESTER COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY

PRISON PRAYER LETTER August 2024

My journey to faith in Jesus Christ was not a straightforward one

For the first ten years I lived in a kosher house. My mum was Jewish, and we celebrated all the Jewish festivals, the Sabbath and Shabat etc. Then my mum came to believe in Jesus as the Messiah. This did not go down well with the Jewish community we were in, so we moved houses. A new house for a new chapter in my life.



From the age of eleven, I went to a Church of England school and went to church, and I enjoyed the Christian life.

The Jewish law has 613 laws to keep. Most of them are dietary. But if you break one of these laws you get condemned as if you have broken all the laws. The Mosaic law was a law of condemnation because only one man could keep it, and that person is Jesus.

I have a good life these days. It is the support and friendship I get from GMCC that is amazing, and I am glad to be part of it.

Grace is a gift from God.

It cannot be bought, or it would not be a gift.

Grace is the unmentioned favour of the Lord,

You do not deserve the Lord's good favour,

It is by Love and Grace that the Lord gives you everything.

August 2024

- 1 Pray for J., soon to be released, and very scared as to whether or not he'll be able to cope on his own,
- 2 For all victims of crime, and all Communities, who are living in fear of anti-social behaviour.
- 3 Please pray for P. that his health improves.
- 4 We lift up M. before you Lord, who's finding life hard-going at the moment.
- 5 Please Lord, would you open S,'s eyes to the effect that his behaviour and attitude is having upon other people
- 6 Please pray for R. who has got some complicated family situations.
- 7 Please Lord, strengthen and undertake for K.. who has soon to face a court case
- 8 R. asks for prayer for his 2 daughters, C and R,
- 9 For all those inmates in Forrest Bank prison - that we would be able to connect with them on their release.
- 10 Lord, would you give courage to D. that he would be able to overcome his phobias and access the help that is there for him.
- 11 Thank you Lord for the regular 'lunch-eaters' in our Café: by buying their meals they enable us to feed those who are unable to buy their own.
- 12 Oh Lord; please bring about Unity in the Minds, Attitudes and Behaviour of those who are seeking for ways of helping those in need.
- 13 Please pray for M. who is having investigations on his throat.
- 14 Please enable E. to realise that aspects of their behaviour are offensive to some people.
- 15 I lift up N. before you, that they will be able to re-connect with their children some day.
- 16 Thank you, Lord, for A's selfless dedication to our Clients.

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- 17 Please continue to pray for all those working with Families of Inmates and Victims of Crime.
- 18 We lift up before, Lord, the Governors and Staff of All Prisons, as they start working under the newly appointed Government Ministers.
- 19 Also lifting up before you, Lord, those in Government who are in a position to instigate, and bring about the much-needed reforms .
- 20 We lift up P., who's finding it difficult to find support since his Dad passed away recently.
- 21 Thank you, Lord, for the support that we receive from those members of the who buy suspended coffee's which go to those in need.
- 22 We ask for prayer for all new inmates into Greater Manchester Prisons, especially those inside for the first time.
- 23 The Methodist Church asks for Prayer regarding the increased request for the Services of 'Life Share'.
- 24 Lord, will you please provide the Resources to meet the increasing need to support those newly-released into homelessness.
- 25 For proper Rehabilitation to start happening within All Prisons & YOIs.
- 26 Thank you, Lord, for the way that You're connecting GMCC with Prison & Community Chaplaincies in other parts of the UK.
- 27 Lord, please grant us the Wisdom ,within new Initiates, at GMCC to meet the needs of those who come to us for Support in so many ways.
- 28 Pray for C. who's having a difficult time facing changes in Health & Well-Being.
- 29 Pray for staff in G.P. surgeries who make life for service users very difficult And affect their mental health and well being
- 30 Pray for G who's indiscretions and poor communication skills result in unfriendly encounters and hurtful damage to relationships.
- 31 Pray for improvement in the sale and use of the Big Issue Magazine which helps improve the lives of homeless and ex-offenders. GMCC is proud to be an issue point for magazine on behalf of The Big Issue.