



I would get involved in ministry to those struggling with homelessness. I was involved in establishing and running a community café, providing support to people struggling with mental health issues, those who felt lonely, prison leavers or those still on parole. We saw so many lives impacted and changed!

The project I helped establish is still going after 11 years. Many have come through the doors of the church where the community café is based at and we have seen many come to faith and added to the local church. Throughout this time I was also heavily involved in evangelistic ministry and would travel across The Netherlands, Europe and beyond to work alongside local churches in the area of evangelism equipping and youth work.

I met my wife Angela in 2014 and in 2017 we got together. 5 months after dating we got engaged and 6 months later we got married. We are actively involved in ministry in our local church and outside the local church as we travel regularly at weekends to minister in churches across the UK and Europe. Our heart is to raise up bold believers who go after Jesus and go after the lost. Fully surrendered to God!

I am passionate about being the hands and feet of Jesus in my community and wherever I work. For me it's not just talking the walk, but walking the talk. This is why I know that I am in the right place at the right time. Giving people hope and point them to the ONE (Jesus) who can give them a future to enjoy.



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Prison Prayer letter June 2025

From The Netherlands to the UK as a Missionary

Good day to everyone. I am excited to introduce myself as the new chaplain for Greater Manchester Community Chaplaincy. At the time of writing this article, I have been working two months here at GMCC. I am settling in really well here. I work with a fantastic team of staff and volunteers. I would like to share my story with you.

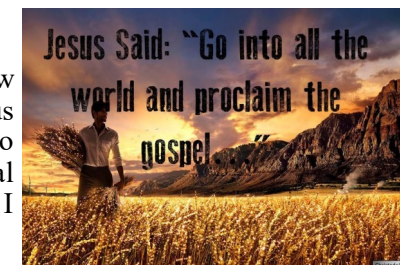


I grew up in a beautiful countryside town in The Netherlands called Deurne which is in the province of North-Brabant, the South of the Netherlands. I have a half-brother and a stepsister whom I treat as my full brother and sister. I am incredibly grateful for them. I lost my biological mother when I was

2 years of age due to her taking her own life. She struggled with extreme mental health issues and couldn't cope with life anymore.

Growing up with my father and later with my stepmother, I was always full of questions in life about faith and God. At age 15 I made a decision to make Jesus Lord of my life. This was the start of the journey that would change my life forever. You will be encouraged!

For the first years of my faith journey I saw God opening doors for me to go on various mission trips to different parts of the world to encourage, equip and empower the local church and reach out to those in need. I always had a passion for the less fortunate.



- 1 Pray for E, one of our staff members who is facing a tough time.
- 2 Pray for P
who recently registered as a client. Pray he will grow in his faith journey and that he will do well at our centre.
- 3 Pray for K who also registered as a client here at our centre. Pray he settles in well.
- 4 Pray for R, our chaplain who has had various appointments in prisons this month to reconnect with chaplain teams.
- 5 Pray for S, one of our volunteers who had a bereavement.
- 6 Pray for E, one of our volunteers who had a bereavement as well.
- 7 Pray for consistency with those who engage with the sessions at Barnabus, one of our befriended Christian charities in Manchester.
- 8 Pray for the Light Sessions, Bible studies, Genesis group and Alpha at Barnabus.
- 9 Pray for the housing team for wisdom for how best to support the residents at Barnabus.
- 10 Pray for those who are facing eviction from their landlords
- 11 Pray for more people to begin a recovery journey
- 12 Pray for our engagement team in the Beacon, which is the centre run by Barnabus Manchester, one of our befriended Christian charities.
- 13 Pray for the Case workers in the support office at Barnabus Manchester
- 14 Pray for us to get to the root of people's issues
- 15 Pray for more Dwell Volunteers at Barnabus Manchester and for more people to pray for them.
- 16 Pray for more finances to allow Barnabus Manchester to complete their mission
- 17 Praise God for those who come to and run our creative sessions at Barnabus
- 18 We give God thanks for such positive feedback from the prison chaplains at HMP Manchester as R, our chaplain went to visit them.
- 19 Pray for D, who is currently back in prison. He is not doing very well. Pray he gets better soon.
- 20 Pray for K, one of our clients who has his friend back in prison. He is very concerned about his friend. Pray for strength as he tries to reconnect with his friend.
- 21 Please pray for one of our prisons that they choose the best Free Church chaplain at our forthcoming interviews.
- 22 Please pray for the same prison who will be doing a recruitment drive for an Anglican chaplain, that someone applies.
- 23 Pray for one of the Barnabus guests who is currently struggling a lot in the prison where she's based.
- 24 Praying for B who is seriously ill and looking to have compassionate release
- 25 Pray for our staff here at the centre. Pray for protection for all of the staff and volunteers as we continue working with the people here.
- 26 Pray for K, one of our new clients. He is keen to discover more about his identity in Christ. Our chaplain is going to disciple him.
- 27 Pray for P, one of our other volunteers who's settling in very well.
- 28 We have had some staff off sick at Buckley Hall, so praying for a quick recovery
- 29 We have some new staff started at Buckley Hall, so praying that they settle in soon
- 30 Praying for M who was baptised at Easter.