

## Wellingborough Street Pastors / School Pastors

Wellingborough Street Pastors have managed to put out a team every Saturday night from 11.00pm to (approx) 3.00am Sunday morning since we started over 4 years ago. Due to losing a few people we have had to withdraw the last Friday of the month cover so recruitment has been and still is a priority to enable the initiative to keep going.

Since we started back in 2012 we now see a much quieter Wellingborough which is good as we all know that our God answers prayers but we always come across people that need our help albeit indulging in too much alcohol, having drinks spiked, needing flip flops due to ill fitting shoes or just for information or a talk.

This year we joined in the Remembrance Day parade and laid a wreath at the memorial as well as walking with the Wellingborough Carnival and helping at the Good Friday Walk of Witness parade.

Zara Page has recently become our new Street Pastor Coordinator and although new to this position she has already shown her keenest and younger ideas will make this initiative a much stronger unit. Please all support Zara on this role in anyway you can.

School Pastors are yet to get started in Wellingborough but they are still very much needed and although we have had to begin looking at another school I know that 2017 will see this initiative become as much known as Street Pastors are now.

Prayer Pastors are an area that anyone can be involved in, either praying at home or at our base in All Hallows Church Hall when Street Pastors are out. Through prayer before and while we are out has kept us all safe in all areas. We have seen volatile situations calm down when Prayer Pastors pray by either hearing things on the CCTV radios or by a phone call from the Street Pastors out in the town.

A large thank you to all who are involved in the Wellingborough Street Pastor initiative as it definitely shows a commitment to go out in the cold on a Saturday night or to stay up late at home praying. Street Pastors are now a recognised part of the Wellingborough Night Time Economy along with the door staff, Police and Ambulance crews.

Brian Ely

(Chairman)

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