

“And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.” Romans 5:5

1 Friday

Thank God for a good start to the new year, for the new volunteers joining, and new opportunities in prisons and churches. Praise God that He is always doing a new thing!

2 Saturday

Tonight, the *Songs of Freedom* concert comes to Ivybridge in Devon. Pray for everyone who attends, that hearts would be open to hearing about PF’s ministry in prisons in south-west England.

3 Sunday

Thank God for the vision and commitment of the Chaplaincy staff and volunteers who run Sunday services for Christian inmates. Pray that they would be a time of refreshment and hope for everyone who attends.

4 Monday

There is an initial review of the new *Letter Link* programme at STC Medway today. Pray that it would be productive, and for wisdom to know how to take the programme forward.

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting today at HMP Garth and HMP/YOI Thorn Cross.

5 Tuesday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting today at HMP The Mount. Pray for all the new learners this month, that God would soften their hearts to engage and hear the life-changing message.

6 Wednesday

Peter, our CEO, is visiting HMP/YOI Portland today. Pray for all the staff, volunteers, and prisoners there, that it might be a place of hope and rehabilitation.

7 Thursday

Pray that more prisoners would hear about our *Letter Link* programme and sign up to be involved. Thank God for the many volunteers

training recently to be letter writers.

8 Friday

Thank God for the victims of crime who are willing to come and tell their stories as part of the *Sycamore Tree* course, even when it is emotionally tough. Pray that they would be strengthened by the Spirit, and that their story would have an impact the learners that hear.

9 Saturday

Pray for any volunteers who might be struggling with stress or burnout. Pray that they might find the right balance in their work, and trust that God holds everything in His hands.

10 Sunday

Peter Holloway is preaching at Kents Road Church today. Thank God for the churches that support our work with prayer, donations and volunteers, and ask that God would continue to open new doors in this area.

11 Monday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting at HMP/YOI Altcourse today, and one finishing at HMP Lewes.

12 Tuesday

We pray for all volunteers comforting those who mourn - give them Your compassion.

13 Wednesday

Thank God for the work of Prison Radio, to inform and connect prisoners with opportunities to grow and change.

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting today at HMP/YOI Bullingdon and HMP Kirkham, and one ending at HMYOI Aylesbury.

14 Thursday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting today at HMP Wealstun, and three courses ending at HMP/YOI Send, HMP/YOI Hindley and HMP Coldingley.

15 Friday

Thank God for the work of SPCK, who provide books for prisoners through their reading programme.

16 Saturday

We pray today for Rory Stewart, Minister for Justice. May God give him wisdom, courage and vision as he works in this challenging role.

17 Sunday

We pray for our own churches today, that they might have an expanded vision to see prisons as part of their parish, and prisoners as part of their community.

18 Monday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting today at HMP/YOI Wormwood Scrubs.

19 Tuesday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting today at HMP Lowdham Grange and HMP/YOI Styal.

20 Wednesday

There are three *Sycamore Tree* courses ending today at HMP & YOI Wymott, HMP Swaleside and HMP/YOI Woodhill.

21 Thursday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting today at HMYOI Feltham.

22 Friday

Peter Holloway will be on UCB Radio today. Thank God for the opportunity to share our message with a wide Christian audience, and pray for responsive hearts as people listen.

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending at HMP Buckley Hall today.

23 Saturday

We pray today for all prison staff, for their protection as they work, and that they might be known for their kindness, fairness and compassion, even in difficult moments.

24 Sunday

Thank God for the hundreds of people that pray diligently for Prison Fellowship every day, for this network of hearts attuned to God's heart for justice and mercy.

25 Monday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course ending at HMP Thameside today.

26 Tuesday

There is a *Sycamore Tree* course starting at HMP Onley, and one finishing at HMP Liverpool.

27 Wednesday

There are *Sycamore Tree* courses starting today at HMP Northumberland and HMP & YOI Wymott, and three ending at HMP & YOI High Down, HMP & YOI Hollesley Bay, and HMP Wayland.

28 Thursday

It is just a month until we gather for our 40th Anniversary celebration at Westminster Chapel! Thank God for the incredible work that has been done in Jesus' Name in prisons across England and Wales these past 40 years! There is a *Sycamore Tree* course finishing at HMP/YOI Isis.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

