

Dear Supporter,

It's been a few months since the last one of these, and wow, what a few months! Thanks so much to all of you who've been supporting me over this last period. Your prayers have been greatly appreciated, as has the financial support I've received. More on that later...

Before moving on to what's happening at the moment, I'd like to give you an update on the items I last asked for prayer on. Firstly there was the Transmission festival, which I was event managing.



Worship at Transmission

The feedback from delegates, speakers and the base staff at YWAM Harpenden was nothing short of incredible. The five days of teaching, worship, encouraging each other, and just hanging out together, really impacted people's lives in a marked way. From a personal perspective, I had a fantastic team helping me, and we managed to pull off the whole thing without anything going seriously awry, which, given this was the first time we'd done anything on this scale, was a minor miracle in itself! I don't think I've survived on so little sleep and pure adrenaline ever before. It was hard work, but really elating to see so many young people

fired up to live radical, mission oriented lives.

In relation to Transmission, I'd also asked for prayer as to whether or not I was to go on a mission team this year. I decided not to go in the end, and I think this was a good idea, as I would have been completely exhausted and had very little to give out to anyone! As all of the mission teams went out at the end of the festival (see

www.24-7mission.com for more details), myself and a few others stayed on for a couple of days to help pack down the site, and I'm glad we did. It strengthened our already good relationship with the YWA M base team at the Oval, and it was such a blessing to sit down with them at the end of our time and hear that they really enjoyed hosting us.

I also previously asked for prayer about 24-7's financial situation. Here the news is good, but we still need God to help us out some more! As a small charity, we feel blessed if we're able to meet all our commitments to pay our staff at the end of each month, and I certainly don't take it for granted that we've been able to do this right through the summer months. We are, however, technically in the red right now if we settled all of our debts. Thankfully we are owed quite a large tax rebate through the gift aid scheme, and a wonderful volunteer in our Chichester office called Helen Monkton is helping me to complete that at the moment. Even after this reclaim though, we will still be fairly hard up, and this continues to be a challenge with a movement that seems to keep expanding! Staffing levels are also a challenge, with various people moving on, and me having to juggle tasks around between existing staff and new volunteers.

Not long after the Transmission Festival, we were off to Herrnhut in Germany for our 'Roundtable' meeting, the yearly gathering of leaders in the 24-7 movement, where we discuss important issues affecting the direction of 24-7 over the year to come. This time round we spent most of our time on a Boiler Rooms paper prepared by Reading friend and head of Boiler Rooms for 24-7, Andy Freeman, and a paper on how we structure



Prayer over Herrnhut

ourselves internationally to be able to cope with our expansion. Both the papers and discussions were of extremely high quality, and we agreed that this year's roundtable was probably the best



With friends in Dresden

one in our five-year existence. From Herrnhut, we travelled to Dresden for our Leaders Gathering, welcoming a wider group of people involved in some form of leadership in the movement. This year we were up to about 150 people at this second gathering, and we spent time worshipping, hearing from some speakers, and spending time catching up with many people who we hadn't seen since the year before. We heard amazing testimonies of how people are being radically impacted through what God is doing through 24-7, including unstoppable growth of prayer rooms in South Africa and New Zealand, with many stories of miraculous conversions and healings! On the way back to the UK, I took a few days leave to enjoy Berlin. The new buildings in and around where the Wall has been demolished are truly amazing, and I thoroughly enjoyed looking around the newly unified German capital.

As good as Germany was, it was great to arrive home in the UK. Over the following couple of weeks though, we found ourselves under some fairly intense spiritual attack. Several people in the movement were having unusual nightmares, people had trouble sleeping, a couple of people were feeling undervalued, one person was feeling extremely low for no apparent reason, several people were feeling disempowered, there was a car crash, and two people had to go to hospital, resulting in one being hospitalised. On one level I'm encouraged that we're drawing this level of spiritual flak - it suggests to me that the discussions we were having about the future of 24-7, have the enemy worried. Jesus

makes it clear that we are to expect this kind of opposition. However, we're only human, and we need to be experiencing Christ's victory in all of these situations.

This year we've started a training programme called 24-7 Transit, in both the US and the UK. In the last month we've had 15 young people joining existing Boiler Rooms in Reading and Staines, where they will be based for the duration of the programme. It's great having these new trainees with us, and in both locations the extra buzz created by having a group of envisioned and passionate 'Transiteers' is already starting to enhance what we're trying to achieve in both Boiler Rooms.

In the area of personal finances, I have been greatly blessed over the last few months. I've been able to keep to the agreement I made with 24-7 to raise 30% of my salary, so for those of you who have been helping out in that way, thank you so much!

On to prayer. As you can see from all that has been happening, there is much to be thankful for. I'd also particularly value prayer for:

- Protection against the attacks that we are currently experiencing globally as a movement, and that they would be turned around to Jesus' glory
- Great wisdom and energy to be able to cope with current high workloads, and getting new staff to cover areas that have been vacated
- More money to come in so that we can do the things that God seems to be leading us into, and to be able to honour our existing staff
- Insight to be able to shape our structure so that we work together well, and to be able to communicate that effectively to others

God bless,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Pete'.