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Dear Fitzroy Family & Friends

Summer 2013 started with a visit from a friend, which made a difference as we were able to share and identify specific needs for prayer. I have experienced a lifting of the cloud that I have been under for quite some time. Thank you all for your prayers for me and for us here in London. Prayer changes things of this I am convinced. Regarding my physical health, treatment has been postponed but is now scheduled to commence on Wednesday 6 November (dv). My consultant has told me not to book any holidays or trips. How I respond to the treatment and how it affects my work, remains unknown at present.

I have recently enjoyed a Plein Air Printmaking Course in Cornwall run by Oliver West an artist and printmaker. I returned with a portfolio of small prints which was stimulating. Oliver made the course a great experience for us all. I returned to London refreshed.

We had a big two day event in Millwall Park, run by all the local churches. There were lots of people to talk to, the weather was good and the joint Sunday service, taken by different ministers including Tom our Pastor, was very stimulating. The testimony of one lady resonated with me particularly as I understood where she was coming from. Later that week I was able to use her testimony as a launch pad to share my own story with a local lady.

Prayers points

- ✠ **Ivy** that she might read the bible given to her at the Fun Day in the Park so that she may connect with the Lord and gain wisdom and understanding through reading.
- ✠ **Danny** (whom I shared about in Fitzroy) he came to the café and shared that sometimes he had assurance about life after death

and other times not. I shared with him about the person of Christ who does not break promises and is entirely trustworthy, quoting John 14.

- † **Terry and his wife Ellen** whom I met at the Park Café and gave them bibles. We have subsequently met them locally in the area and a couple of us have also visited in their home and invited them to church.
- † **Kelly** who is in deep trouble spiritually and also in physical danger. She is sacrificing her relationships with drugs and alcohol and is in friendship with destructive people. Please pray for her protection.
- † **Give thanks for the Summer Programme**, which was held in the local park from 27 July-17 August. On Mondays and Fridays the focus was Mums and babies; Tuesdays and Thursdays were for arts and crafts; while Wednesdays were enjoyable days out at the beach. All of the Café Forever team were involved, with some help from others on occasion, which meant that sometimes there was a large team while at other times few helpers. It was very busy.

† **A lady** whom we met on door to door work. This has been very encouraging as she was sharing about her son who has been set free from drug addiction. Her son is now involved at Victory Outreach in Manchester where Packie and Sharon Hamilton are based.

† **Golda**, my old pal, was in need of some comfort and I felt led to cycle to her home to read her Isaiah 40 and share testimony. Please pray for our relationship that she may come to know the true comforter of us all.

† **Thank God** for providing an NHS dentist who will complete dental treatment to allow treatment to commence in early November. Please pray that I will be able to cope with the treatment and not get depressed.

Thank you all for your love and support. Thanks to Irene for the folding bike which has been well used since it arrived in London. Thanks for all those who pray for me. God bless you all as you seek to serve him in Belfast.

All my love in Him

Carol