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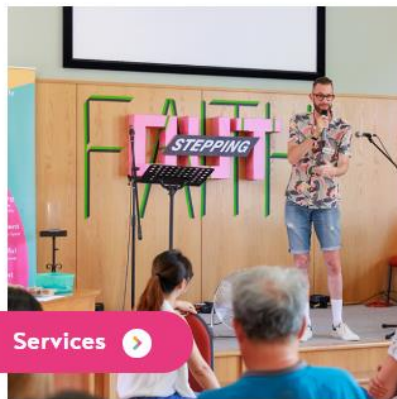


Stay curious. Why not try Alpha?

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Services



Little Bees (Baby Group)



Honeypot (Toddler group)



English Classes



ACC Hosted Ministries



Enabling churches to house the homeless



Local Kingdom Social Action Charities



Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

Help for those struggling with debt and money management courses. ☎ 0800 328 0006 ✉ info@capuk.org capuk.org



Christian Community Action (CCA)

Providing furniture, bedding, kitchen items, white goods and support. ☎ 0118 951 2337 ✉ support@ccam.org.uk ccam.org.uk



CIRDIC

Providing hot food, showers, clothes and access to medical treatment on site. ☎ 07817 373 773 ✉ enquiries@cirdic.org.uk cirdic.org.uk



CommuniCare

Giving support to claim benefits, appeal unjust decisions and to ease financial hardship. ☎ 0118 926 3941 ✉ office@communicare.org.uk communicare.org.uk



Engage

Helping reduce isolation and loneliness by connecting people with their community. ☎ 0118 995 2102 ✉ engage@themustardtree.org engage-uk.org



ReadiFood

Supplying emergency food parcels to people in need. ☎ 0118 987 2672 ✉ admin@readifood.org.uk readifood.org.uk



Starting Point

Providing mentoring and creating opportunities for young people (11-25). ☎ 0118 995 2160 startingpoint.org.uk ✉ startingpoint@themustardtree.org

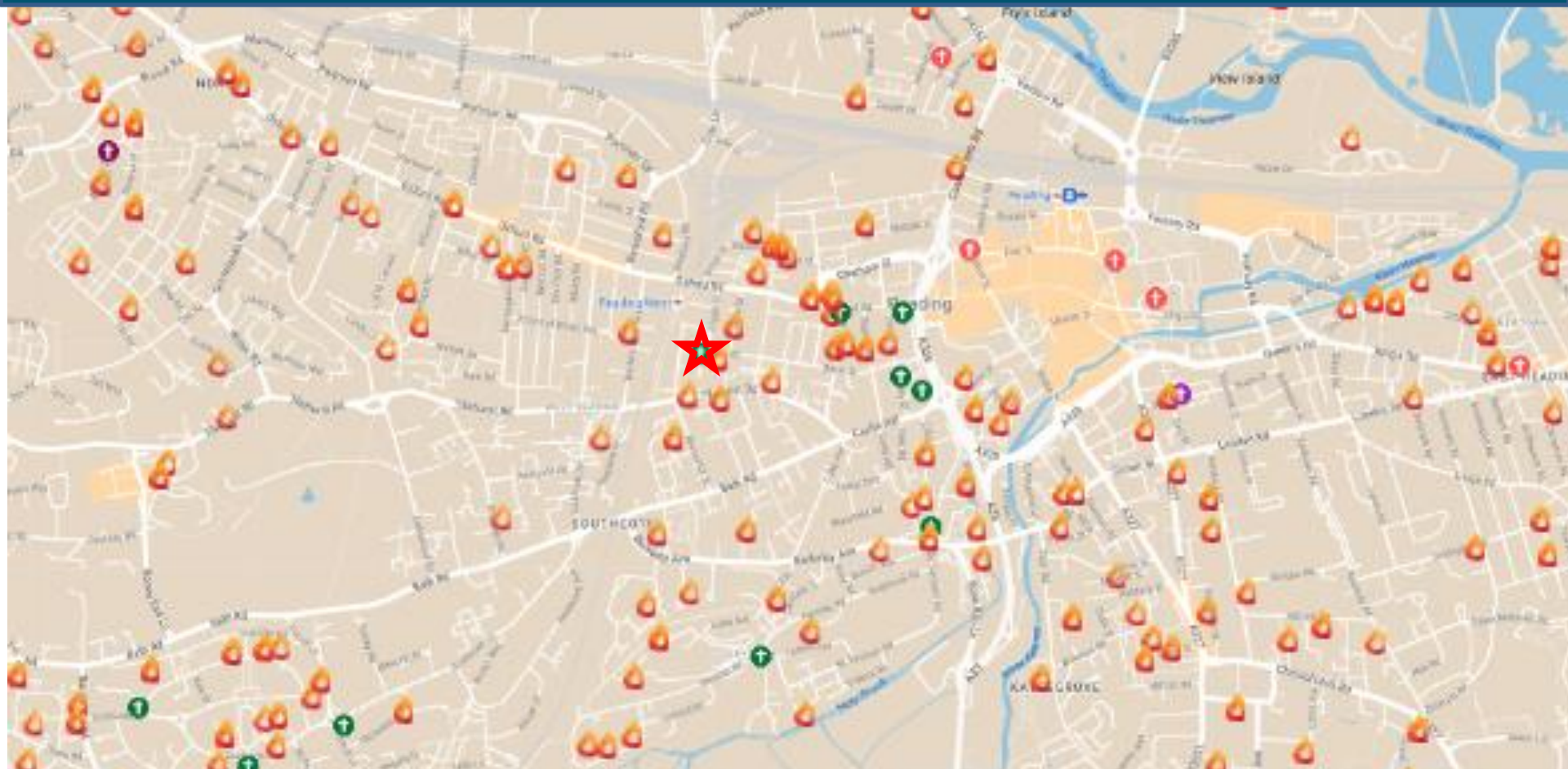
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from local churches**

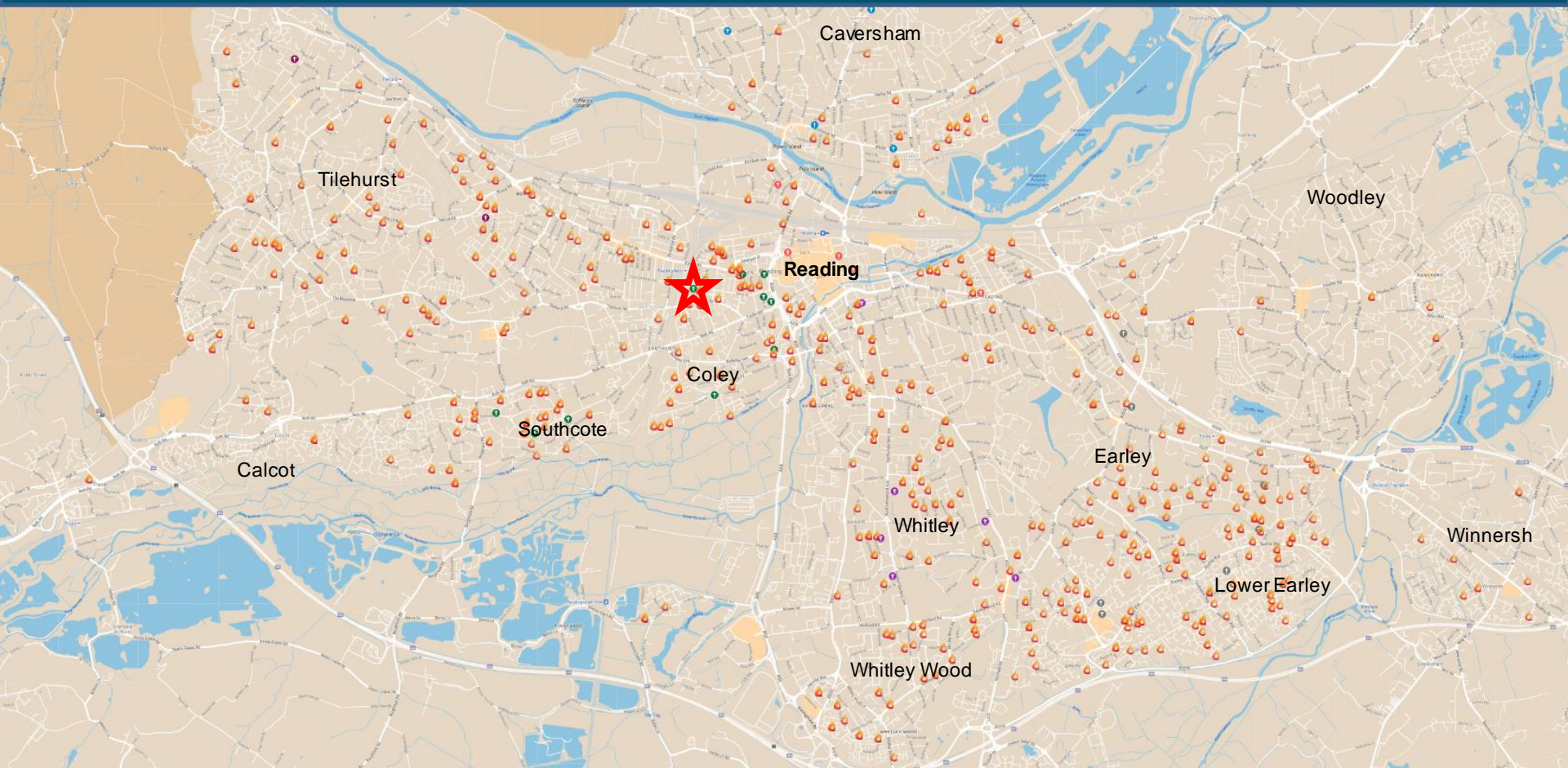


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Our Vision

To provide help and hope to people in need
by churches working together in unity.

Strapline = A **helping hand** from the local churches



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URGENT HELP
e.g. shopping, prescriptions



PRACTICAL TASKS
e.g. essential basic DIY, gardening



PERSONAL HELP
e.g. paperwork, form-filling, CVs, IT



ENHANCED WELLBEING
e.g. sensible friend, prayer

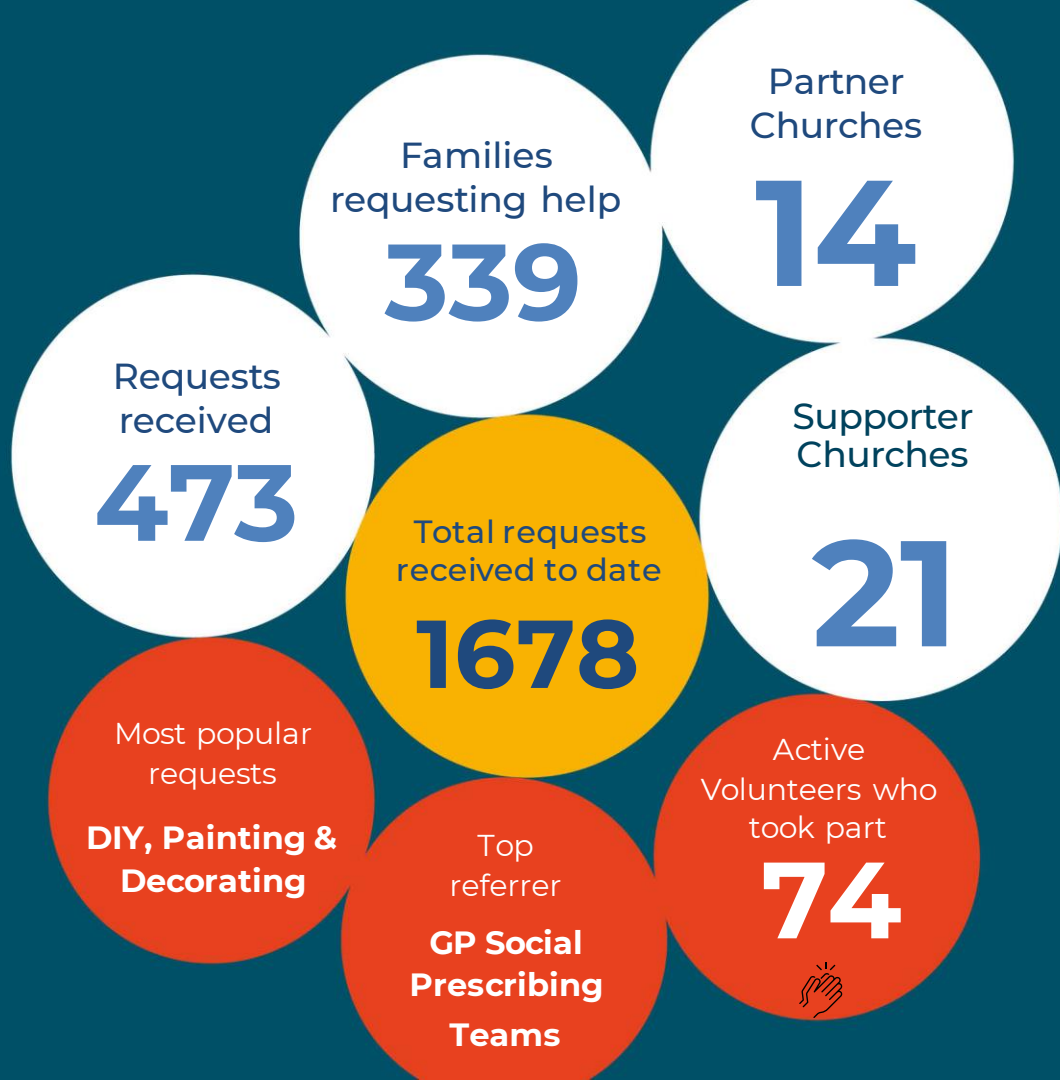


CONFIDENCE BUILDING
e.g. support to get out



AVOCACY
e.g. support at important appointments

Summary of 2023



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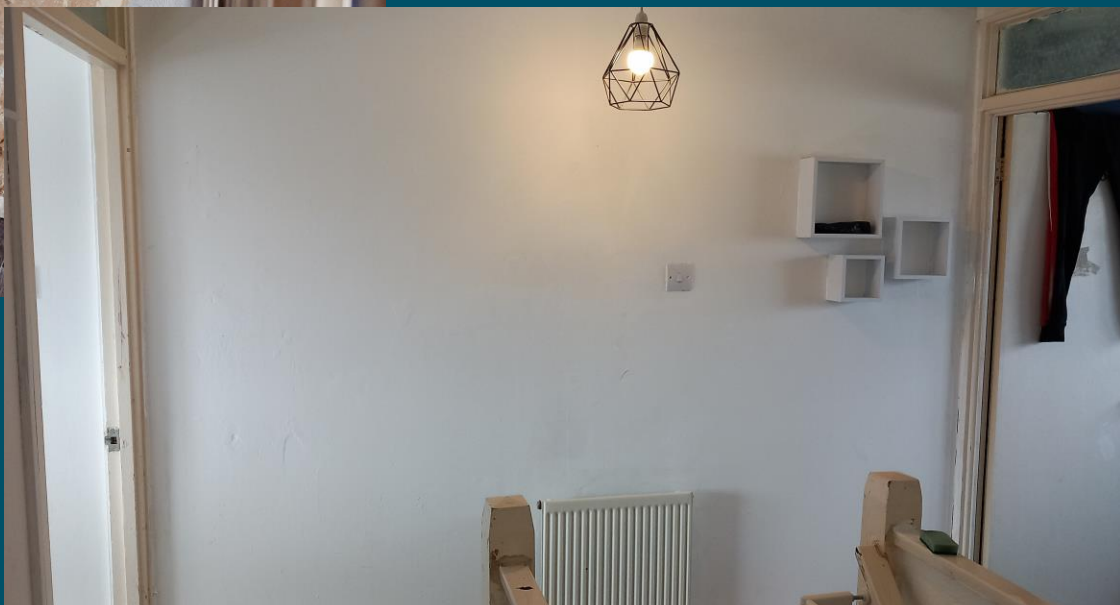
Typical Requests for Help

- Asian lady needing befriending.
- Lift to Hospital
- Needs a befriender for phone and chat/prayer.
- Put curtains up in conservatory and pray for family.
- Sensible friend needed to promote well-being
- Someone to take her to a cafe or community centre.
- A befriender while waiting for permanent one.
- Has chronic fatigue and needs shopping & medicines.
- Needs a few groceries again until she gets paid
- Support with shopping, collecting from food banks.
- Due to disability help to tidy my garden
- Dispose of red bin to help neighbour dispute.
- Help set up a microwave cooker.
- Help with obtaining and putting together a bed
- Two curtain poles to be put up and a washing line
- Her husband died and she is unable to cut the grass
- Help with Asylum Questionnaire
- Need bread milk and a food parcel
- Mum looking for outlets for socialisation for son
- Dispose of garden waste to tip

Stephen's Story



"It was great to see a mix of people. They were amazing, so lovely, such a good atmosphere, so calm. I am touched and shocked at how people had come together. It means a lot to me. You are welcome any time."

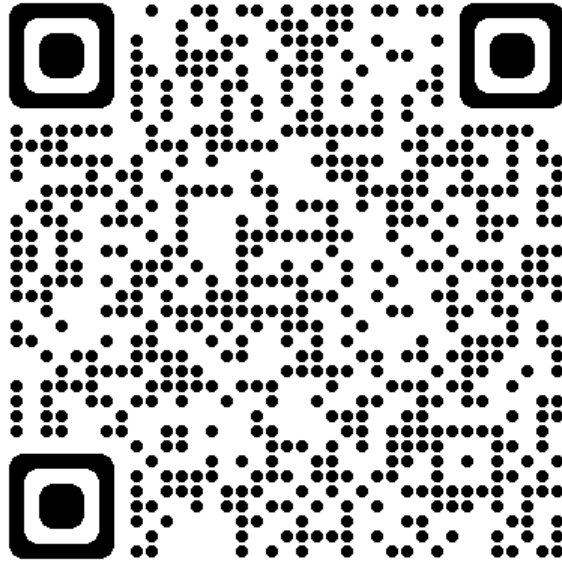


September 2023

Baptism of Sally-Anne
24 Sept 2023



To express interest in volunteering sign-up below



Or sign-up on the paper form after the service.

What does the kingdom of God look like?

- God's people joining in with what God is doing
- To do the Father's will on earth
- Speaking his words
- Doing his works in Jesus' name
- Bringing hope and salvation
- Empowered by his Spirit

We do our part and leave the rest up to him



Friendly help and support
in your time of need

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