

London Prayer Marathon 2021

June is the National Month of Prayer for Toddler groups* and for the past few years, one London borough has been prayed for each day in the London Prayer Marathon. In several boroughs a group of toddler group leaders have met together to share the joys and challenges of their groups and pray for and with one another. This is becoming an annual event and our aim is to get as many toddler groups involved as possible.

How can you get involved?

- 1) Use the suggested prayer points and pray for a borough each day. The theme of this year's month of prayer is based on June 10 v 10 ***I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.***
- 2) Share a picture of your group (ensure children are unidentifiable), name of your group, church denomination if relevant and postcode so it can be added to a map of all the toddler groups across the UK—send it via our email address
- 3) Share a good news story—send us an email and we will be in touch. We would like to profile a group in each London borough during June
- 4) Raise the profile of your group in your church . You may have been doing things differently during the last year but why not ask for a slot in your churches service/or social media channel/magazine during June to profile what you do— one church took over the whole service and used a PowerPoint presentation and video, prayers and the sermon.
- 5) Connect with other toddler groups in your borough over Zoom or meet outdoors for a simple lunch (bring your own sandwiches and drinks)

The Prayer Marathon

Dates	London Borough	Dates	London Borough
June 1	Barking and Dagenham	17	Hounslow
2	Barnet	18	Islington
3	Bexley	19	Kensington and Chelsea
4	Brent	20	Kingston Upon Thames
5	Bromley	21	Lambeth
6	Camden	22	Lewisham
7	Croydon	23	Merton
8	Ealing	24	Newham
9	Enfield	25	Redbridge
10	Greenwich	26	Richmond upon Thames
11	Hackney	27	Southwark
12	Hammersmith and Fulham	28	Sutton
13	Haringey	29	Tower Hamlets
14	Harrow	30	Waltham Forest
15	Havering	July 1	Wandsworth
16	Hillingdon	July 2	Westminster

Suggested prayer points:

- Pray for godly wisdom as we work out how to run our groups during the pandemic
- Pray for families to find their local group, especially families who may be struggling
- Pray for groups to really work hard at giving a warm welcome; it can be so hard to walk through the door for the first time!
- Pray for more volunteers to help in the groups
- Pray for groups in church premises, that the church community, and particularly the church leaders, will see the huge potential for positive relationships with the families who come
- Pray for toddler groups to continue to support and encourage in very practical, 'down to earth' ways all those who are involved in them: parents, children, volunteers, local communities...