



*If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14*

**33 London Boroughs 4 Home Counties and over 50 Prayer & Celebration events on the day of Pentecost, "the day the church came together to pray"**

## Brent

Over two hundred people gathered at New Life Christian Centre for a highly energetic and Holy Spirit fuelled prayer meeting. Gathering together after lunch having attended church services across the borough, people were clearly inspired and on fire for some heart-felt crying out to God for our churches, our city & nation, and the world. A wave of Holy Spirit boldness and intensity seemed to fill the place. We started each section praying together in unison the prayer given to us by GDoP but then directed people to pray into some specific needs we identified within each of those areas - and wonderful heartfelt prayers were raised up to heaven with real energy! We also were able to give time to praying into three different outreach events coming up in the borough in the near future, which felt like a very natural extension of the GDoP prayers. Feedback after the meeting was that people really enjoyed coming together in that way, and they had found it encouraging. This event was one of three different joint church initiatives in Brent on Pentecost Sunday, including a walk of witness through Wembley. So God is clearly on the move!



## Camden

**The Church of Camden met together at St. Michael's C o E in Camden Town. We had about 60 -70 people worshipping and praying together for our Borough. We also took time to pray for one another. Where people from one church would pray over people from another. It was a very intimate and special time. Look forward to next year!**

**Thanks GDOP for organising and initiating these breakthrough experiences that will bear fruit for the last days harvest!**

## Hammersmith & Fulham

We praise the Lord for what has been accomplished during the day of prayer. We did not have many turned out assuming that they went to different venue. However the prayers were great and was a blessing to all. I am sure that these words will be a reminder and a testimony to those who heard them. I am quite sure that the Lord is well pleased even if one person heard and participate in the global prayer around the world. May his name be glorified.



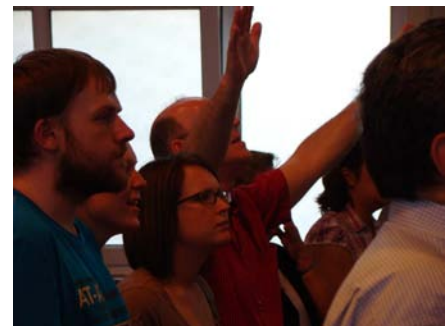
# Haringey

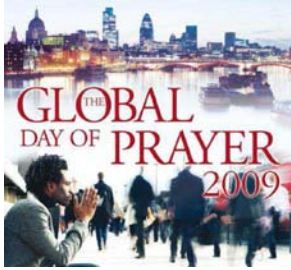


The GDOP meeting for the borough of Haringey was held in Freedom's Ark Church. It was a spectacular demonstration of the unity within the body of Christ with many churches across Haringey meeting to pray for the concerns of their community. The meeting was very culturally diverse reflecting the various ethnic populations in Haringey, and illustrated how God is impacting the lives of all cultures, colours in Haringey. The united church in Haringey prayed for God's forgiveness based on Ezra 9:1-9. The Lord's Prayer was dramatised by a group of children and was recited by the congregation. Two young people from a youth group named 'convicted' led the church to pray for all young people in the borough. The following prayer topics were led by all the participating church leaders: prayer for the world, prayer against gun crime and violence, prayer for the youth, swine flu epidemic, the financial crisis, the social services, our leaders in authority and for the unity of church leaders to be strengthened. A vision was shared, that God had revealed to a minister that a bowl of oil was hanging over London, and the night before the meeting God revealed that this bowl would be tipped over London on the 31<sup>st</sup> May.

# Barking

The Barking GDOP gathering was a great time of prayer, where God moved in an amazing and mighty way. It took place at Barking Elim Centre and was attended by over 20 churches and 300 people and included Baptists, Church of England, Redeemed Church of God, Methodist,s, Elim, Korean, & free churches who came together to pray. It started around 6pm ending around 8.25. Leaders from the Barking churches led the prayer sections focusing around the World Prayer, Barking, Dagenham, Youth, London and the UK. Worship & music team involved 3 churches from a cross section of cultures, youth and gender. A mobile phone link-up between the Barking and the Dagenham prayer gathering took place, uniting Barking & Dagenham in praying for the Borough as a whole. The gathering was attend by Jonathan Oloyede. This was an historic day and was the first gathering of the Barking churches in over 20 years, where so many churches had come together. There is now a focus that God is going to move mightily in Barking and that greater things are to come, and that GDOP is the beginning of real church unity and oneness.





## Sutton

There was a borough wide gathering at Sutton Christian Centre where app 35 turned up. Reports are of a good evening of prayer and worship. GDOP was also featured at local gatherings. On St.Helier we had 150 people come for a Pentecost Meeting.

## Bexley

The Churches of Bexley Borough came together at Christ Church Erith for a dynamic and powerful time of prayer and worship. Christian Resources in Bexley Schools (CRIBS) ran a large creative prayer tent for people to use throughout the event. Kim Norman, a young artist from a Bexley School, organised an area for worship and prayer through art and also completed a piece of live worship art using a door! Children and adults joined in, expressing their prayers on blank canvasses. The event drew between 120 and 200 Christians from Churches across the Borough, covering different denominations and cultures, but all with one united purpose, to praise God and seek His Kingdom through prayer. Matt Carpenter, one of our local worship leaders, led powerful spirit filled times of worship. Pastors from different Churches led GDOP prayers and organised individual times of prayer and repentance as well as group prayer for our community and the world. We were pleased to interview Chief inspector Steve Murrant, Kevin Taylor Head of Neighbourhood Services and Monica Benson a local Teacher about the issues facing our community into which we prayed. We also heard about Street Pastors, the launch of School Pastors, CRIBS, Transform Bexley Borough and Running Late and were able to pray for these important Christian based initiatives running in Bexley. The highlight was to be told at the end that a spontaneous healing had taken place during the event. Praise God!



## Wandsworth

A great event where although numbers were low (150) due to other big church events clashing, the majority have said how amazing and powerful the gathering was. Noel Robinson and band led us in worship with the vicar from Ascension church (who'd just flown back from America) joining him on bass! Citilife presented a colourful dance - 'Freedom Reigns' and we used one of their golden flags as a 'stake' when we were praying over the giant map of Wandsworth Borough. Keeping in line with the 'grass roots' theme, We prayed for over 30mins for the 9 borough towns which were represented by large maps all round the building with specific prayer concerns on each. People came from every town and prayed for their own and other's towns.

The younger generation told us of their dream for a prayer network of young people with Alex Rose (aged 20) presenting the organisation 'STOP' which he started to highlight youth crime involving guns and knives and the church's response to it. The gathering then prayed for the youth prayer network which starts in late June, Alex and youth generally. Then they prayed for us!

# Havering

Havering's GDOP event at St Edwards church in Romford Market brought together over 300 people from the borough and Essex who were wonderfully lead in worship by Helen Yousaf and a combined band and choir. There was a release of joy and celebration as we lifted up the name of Jesus in praise and thanksgiving. David Hawkins, the Bishop of Barking lead us in prayer, as did local ministers who highlighted seven specific areas to give thanks for and pray into- in groups gathered around the church. The Mayor, the Leader of our Council, our MP all came recognising the important partnership developing between the council, the police and churches with Street Pastors. This special civic side was important as Havering has won a Beacon award for a safer night-time economy. It was a privilege to pray for them and give thanks for their work and devoted service to our community. Joining in with the GDOP prayers for the World brought depth, humility, dependence on God's Spirit, repentance, inspiring faith for God to work in transforming us and our world. We were lead in a special prayer of renewal, recommitment, refreshment, and empowering to be all God wants us to be by Rev Glen Podd who then surprised us by leading us in an energetic and original song "It was a work of the Holy Spirit." Our event marked the culmination of 10 days of 24 hours prayer. 10 churches took a day each as a mobile prayer room- some had prayer rooms open all the time, some had prayer chains so people could pray at home, one day we had both simultaneously! The prayer baton took prayer info and some scripture, some copies of insights and prayers that people had written during their time in the prayer rooms. Themes included renewal, revival, praying for London with the M25 Nutcracker, the Government and local leaders. There was a sense that God wants to visit us again, His church rise up in the strength of the Lord through the power of the Holy Spirit to fulfil His destiny for us. This is a time of waiting, trusting, strengthening our faith in the Lord who will fulfil His promises. (Psalm 145:13b..."The Lord is faithful to all his promises and loving toward all he has made." NIV



# Havering Youth

In the evening the Youth had a special GDOP celebration as well at Re-Generation church. What a privilege to be a part of this event!



# Croydon

We had an excellent time at Purley Baptist. We began with a Barbecue at 5pm with over 100 present. Followed at 6-7pm with prayers appropriate for families - 100+ present - at this point most of the families with children left. Followed at 7-9pm with prayer for the nation, nations and local community, when we invited representatives from the council and local police who presented their prayer requests. There were about 200 present and some terrific prayers.

## Greenwich

About 15 churches came together on the day; and 9 different leaders led prayers. The event went very well. Churches who came together are already talking about building strong relationship based on the success of the prayer meeting. Dr Tayo Adeyemi, the Senior Minister of New Wine Church, hosted all the leaders to a lavished reception



## Dagenham

We had a BRILLIANT time at Dagenham GDOP. We had just over a 100 people - youth and older, African and white of various denominations. It was hard work but worth it just to help people see that God's people are one. It was great for congregation members to see that pastors have been working together and able to share in others' styles of praise and prayer. We were able to hear of what other churches are doing in the community, pray for evangelism and service, have our youth involved and even have a mobile phone link up via loud speaker with the other half of our Borough in Barking! They were another 300 meeting there!! Our cheers via the wonders of modern technology reverberated across the borough! Praise God. We had banners. We had prayer and rejoicing. We had genuine affection and love for each other grow and it is exciting see our unity and co-operation grow. It leads us to expect great things as God keeps His promises! Where brothers and sisters come together in unity, God commands His blessing come down. Every reason then to pray on!!



## Thurrock

Thurrock had 3 GDOP events! One in the east of the borough, then the centre, and finally the west (just inside the M25).

**Hardie Park, Stanford-le-Hope** Joint open air service attended by St Margaret's Parish Church, Fresh Hope Community, Thurrock Christian Fellowship Corringham, Stanford & Corringham Boiler Room Community and Transit students. 'Nutcracker' Tim Harrold spoke.

Rev John Guest played the accordion; praying with Peggy who'd just given a testimony; and Reuben Groves being helped by his dad Rob to bash in the stake. **Grays Baptist Church** During the service, the GDOP prayers were said in a number of different languages. GDOP Community Barbecue on the church's forecourt. Food given to passers-by. Then the stake was



driven right into the ground on the only bit of soil found between the cracked concrete. pastor Colin Baker prayed whilst Vaughan held the stake; Colin bashed the stake into the ground and then everyone had a go, until the stake was totally driven into the ground. **Aveley Christian Centre** This was Thurrock's Nutcracker prayer room venue. The evening service, led by Pastor Alan Field, included the GDOP prayers spoken by Tim Harrold. The word was brought by Bill Budd. Afterwards we gathered outside to put the stake into the ground. A number of leaders from other churches; including Rev Rosemary Pritchard & Tim Harrold hammered the stake, held by Alan.



## Lewisham

**Around 60-65 people from different Churches in Lewisham attended the GDOP Lewisham. The Churches represented were: Forest Hill Community Church, Brockley Community Church, St Peters Church (Church of England), Hither Green Baptist Church, Meet the needs ministries and our Church members Crofton Park Baptist Church. The prayers were in three sessions, prayer for the city of London, prayer for the Church and prayer for the world. We broke into groups for some part of the prayers, while Church leaders led different prayers regarding world issues. People were happy praying together and the feedback so far has been positive.**

## Kensington & Chelsea

There was a good attendance at our event in Kensington & Chelsea with a strong sense of strength and unity

## Southwark Herne Hill

**Absolutely fantastic! We had about 200 people gather from different churches from the area - the meeting was lead by two pastors and was split into 4 sections. We had a wonderful time of worship to start with where we all felt the presence of the Lord. We then had some teaching on the Lord's prayer - looking at the heart of the prayer. We then looked at the global situation - and then had group prayer, we moved onto national situation - and prayed about the situations we face here in the UK. We then had a local review, there were reps from Street Pastors, Word 4 weapons, metropolitan police, education and Kings College Hospital. We looked at "Working on the front line". There was a group prayer time for all of these organisations - and then we closed with worship. The event ran for 3.5 hours - and even then we didn't really want to go home!!**

## Hounslow

The Lord gathered us together outside Holy Trinity church, Hounslow High Street, from 2.00 to 3.00pm. There were friends from several Hounslow churches, and we ran a programme of ten songs, GDOP-prayers and a reading from Acts 2. We also gave out about 800 tracts which we had written and designed for the occasion. We are praying that this will prove to have been the catalyst for further joint church events in the Town, where we can offer the glorious Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to the 95% of folk who never enter a church! May we see the heavenly realms over Hounslow, in which we were praying yesterday, cleansed from much that is evil and opposed to God, and a new period opened in which the captives are set free!





# Harrow

**Representatives from 9 churches across the borough met in central Harrow to pray for the borough and claim the ground for God.**