**Neighbourhood Prayer Network**

I know that a number of you belong to and support the Neighbourhood Prayer Network. This was started some years ago by Doctor Rebekah Brettles, supported by her husband Carl. She had a vision from God of our communities and of a Christian praying on every street in Britain. In her G.P surgery she saw many who were lonely or needing support, so she gave up her career to set up the N.P.N.

There are now around 5,643 streets that have been adopted and an estimated 1,354,320 people being prayed for! There theme is Prayer, Care & Share, encouraging people to pray for those living on their street and as they get to know them to see opportunities to care for them with shopping etc. As relationships are formed, we have opportunities to share our faith and invite our neighbours to church events.

The Network has had a great impact on communities. As people support one another, crime and drug problems have gone down and friendships have been formed. Through the lockdown we have seen many kindnesses as neighbours try to support one another and we pray this will continue as the situation improves.

If you would like to 'sign up' you will be part of a national prayer group and will receive a weekly update of heart-warming stories from around the country. They also have a prayer helpline. You can find more details and sign up at <https://www.neighbourhoodprayer.net/>

The Neighbourhood Prayer Network can also be joined on Facebook.

Rebekah has now gone back to work in A & E and also works on the 111 helpline. Please pray for Rebekah, Carl, their son Reuben and the team as they share the love of Jesus.

God bless you!

Jean Donovan