

Summer 2009

Torbay Street Pastors

Registered Charity Number 1123087

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Application Forms,
Talks, Presentations
etc.**

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*To become a "Friend"
of Torbay Street
Pastors you commit to
paying £10 a year.*

*If you are interested
please make cheques
payable to **Torbay
Street Pastors**, we
need your name,
address, telephone
number (please say if
you are a taxpayer),
please send this to
the above address.*

Paignton Here We Come!

Friday nights in Torquay harbour side are much quieter than when we started, and so we are taking one of our Friday night teams and starting them off in Paignton. The Elders of Gerston Chapel have very kindly offered us their premises to work out of, so a very big thank you to them. We will cover the same hours as in Torquay on a Friday that is 10.00pm until 2.00am and trial it and see how we go. Needless to say we would value your prayers for this

new part of our journey. As you know our vision is for Torbay, not just Torquay. We are doing our best to recruit to add to our numbers to have the necessary volunteers to cover the three towns.

One thing we have noticed is that when interested people come out with us as "observers" they can see that there is no threat to their safety and so at the end of the night ask for an application form. So if any of you out there are

interested, but worried about your safety, come out with us and see for yourself that the papers portray a different scenario to the one we see. None of us have felt threatened; in fact the welcome we receive is very warm and encouraging.



Paignton Pier

Progress Report

The Devon County Show was a great success!!! According to Zetta who organises the Devon Churches Stand it is the best one yet! On the Saturday afternoon they had to close the gates as the grounds were full to busting! The weather was brilliant, we met lots of people and had some really good conversations. Many folks asked for prayer, or just sought a welcome cuppa! We had quite a few enquiries about Street Pastors and some folk even thought we were street pastors for the Devon County Show and asked us for directions to the exhibits!

We are now planning for, **Heaven in Devon** and looking forward to the Cathedral's 1100th Celebrations on the Cathedral Green on **Saturday 27th June**. This will be the culmination of the Exeter Festival

and should be a very busy and jolly occasion.

Please pray the weather is as good as we have just enjoyed at the Devon County Show! **and** come and enjoy the occasion with us. We will have a Street Pastor gazebo there and would love to see you.



Exeter Cathedral

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Please consider joining us for our autumn season of training. You will have so much fun and enjoy such a blessing!

We now have new Street Pastor Car Stickers for sale @ £1 each and "I ♥ Street Pastors" lapel stickers to give away coming soon!

In the 6 years that Street Pastors has been operating, in some of the toughest cities in the Country London, Manchester, Leeds, Liverpool etc., not one Street Pastor has been hurt.

Progress (contd)

On 21st June one of our Street Pastors, Karen Elsdon, is running the Torbay Half Marathon in aid of Torbay Street Pastors. If you would like a sponsorship form please contact

Ros on 01803 873529 or email: torbay@streetpastors.org.uk.

Another event in the Calendar is the **Sunday 12th July Fun Day on Preston Green**. This is an event being put on by St Paul's Preston, Preston Baptist Church and Living Waters. There will be many exhibitors and we will be there from 11.00 am until 5.00pm.

Statistics

	To end Jan 09	February	March	April	May	Total
Nights	59	8	8	8	10	93
Man Hours	2692	286	290	320	400	3988
Man Hours on street	2031	231	232	240	300	3034
Prayer Pastor Hours	1277	108	108	120	150	1763
Bottles/Glass	1116	116	162	141	171	1706
Umbrellas	90	0	0	0	0	90
Lost Property	7	0	0	0	0	7
Flip Flops	227	31	40	38	66	302
Emergency Blankets	55	6	8	7	11	87
Minor First Aid	16	2	0	2	3	23
Water	101	14	21	12	26	174
Contacts	4500	530	1212	800	1582	8634
Incidents	213	24	27	31	51	346
Lives saved	3	0	0	0	0	3

Good News!

We are **delighted** to report that we have been successful in obtaining a "Grassroots Grant" that will enable us to equip our expanding band of coordinators on our Management Team, e.g. Training, Publicity, Fundraising, Exhibitions, Fundraising, Prayer etc. This grant is quite specific in what it will fund, i.e. equipment etc., but not uniforms or training so we continue to fundraise for those.

We are also very pleased that South Devon Healthcare have

Please come along and support this initiative of unity between the Churches.

As you know this vision is going Devon & Cornwall wide, so for your interest this is how it is looking:

Devon Street Pastor Initiatives

Up and Running

Torbay
Plymouth
Ilfracombe

Launched

Bideford – out 13.6.09
Exeter – out 6.6.09
Totnes – late summer

Showing Interest

Barnstaple
Dartmouth
Newtown Abbot
Okehampton
Sidmouth
Tavistock
Tiverton

Cornwall Street Pastor Initiatives

Up and Running

Camborne

Showing Interest

Bodmin
Bude
Falmouth
Newquay
St Austell

agreed to support us with the First Aid equipment that we carry with us and use every night.

More and more agencies are recognising and appreciating what we do and helping us in ways they can.

However, our ongoing needs continue – more recruits to fulfil the vision of Torbay, that is Torquay, Paignton and Brixham. More Prayer Pastors, Home Prayers, "Friends".

We need you come and join us!



If you are interested in getting involved with **Torbay Street Pastors** or any other location, contact details are on the front of this Newsletter.