



## News from the Office: Being diligent to make our call and election sure

Being the best we can be in prison involves preparation, not least in prayer, and training, not least by worshipping and studying together. Small groups prepare and train together regularly, and we hope to do all of this with as many as possible at our Connections+ Workers' Weekend (Oct. 10th-11th). Please pray as we work out the details and hopefully secure our keynote speaker. If you are a volunteer and interested in attending please get the date in your diary.

Our revised training scheme for volunteers is now being rolled out. We have run the first couple of our 'On Board with Daylight' Zoom meetings and are now starting to deliver the next section too, 'Being Confident in Prison'. Please pray as existing team leaders are learning the revised course and new volunteers are starting out on their journey.

Please pray that we will find ways to connect all our workers together and enable us to be the best we can be, as Peter said, "For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with goodness, goodness with knowledge,

*knowledge with self-control, self-control with endurance, endurance with godliness, godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being useless or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. The person who lacks these things is blind and shortsighted and has forgotten the cleansing from his past sins. Therefore, brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election, because if you do these things you will never stumble"* (2 Peter 1:5-10 CSB).

We are grateful to God for all of your prayerful support and for the many financial gifts we also receive. Indeed, this last month we have received a single gift of £30,000 in support of the Unlock Mark Project, which can now begin. However, from time to time, we receive gifts that do not allow us to trace the giver. We are then not able to send acknowledgements to those donors, and we just wanted to let you know that these gifts too are greatly appreciated.

If you would like to support Daylight's work financially, one-off or regular gifts can be made via the 'Donate' tab on our website [daylightcpt.org](http://daylightcpt.org), or call 01245 252735 to make gifts by phone. Cheques made payable to Daylight Christian Prison Trust can be sent to our office address below, and if you would like a Gift Aid or Standing Order Form, please let us know.

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## to give light to those who sit in darkness

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**Regular readers of our newsletters will remember that as part of our 20th Anniversary celebrations, we teamed up with Songs of the Folk; a husband and wife folk duo of A.T & Lauren Cason who use their music as a means of ministry to people in tough situations.**

The Casons were in the UK on a two-year missionary assignment, and during their time here have carried out two prison tours, as well as a number of concerts in HMP Chelmsford, the prison nearest to them. Each of their visits have been very well received, with both prisoners and prison staff appreciative of their music, and the lyrics have also caused prisoners to ask questions, leading to many good conversations.

Emailing just before their return to the US a couple of weeks ago, they write, "Whenever someone asks what the highlight of our time here has been, our first answer is usually 'playing music in the prisons'. Thank you so much for

*allowing us entry into these special places and for all of your continued work with these men and women. You will stay in our thoughts and prayers".*

Please give thanks for the impact Songs of the Folk have had in the prisons here, and continue to pray for A.T. & Lauren as they continue to serve the Lord back home, that they will know much blessing in their future ministry.



**Last summer, we introduced new sign-up cards, enabling prisoners to request Letter Writing and Written Studies, and were encouraged to see an immediate increase in the number of sign-ups for both these ministries.**

In response to the growing need, we are thankful that many new people also signed up as letter writing volunteers. However, demand continues to increase,

and we once again have a number of prisoners waiting for someone to write. Please pray that the Lord will raise up the right people to meet this need.



