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DID YOU KNOW?

**Poorer children are
4 times more likely
to be excluded.**

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ISAIAH 40:3

“Prepare for God’s arrival! Make the road straight and smooth, a **highway fit for God**. Fill in the valleys, level off the hills”







ISAIAH 40:4 (MSG)

“Fill in the valleys, level off the hills,
smooth out the ruts, clear out the rocks”



A young girl with dark hair, wearing a purple short-sleeved shirt, is running and smiling towards the camera. She is in the foreground, slightly to the right. Behind her is a brick wall with a colorful mural of various animals including a lion, an elephant, a giraffe, and a zebra. The text "we are transforming lives for good" is overlaid on the image. "we are" is in green, and "transforming lives for good" is in white.

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Becoming a Prayer Partner



Prayer Partners

Info for coordinators and coaches

Ephesians 6:18 - 'And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.'

We believe that prayer is powerful and effective. As you step out in your role as coach, bringing hope to struggling children and their families, it is so important that you do that in the power of prayer.

In addition to the incredible prayer support brought by your wider church family, we have found that it can be helpful for each coach to have their own prayer partner. This might be a friend or family member chosen by the coach or you may have a team of Early Intervention prayer partners who your coordinator assigns to the coaching team.

Clearly, in order to honour the families being supported and to maintain confidentiality, coaches will not be able to share specific details about who they are coaching or the content of any sessions. However, many of our coaches have found that having a regular opportunity to pray with someone for the child and family they are journeying with has been so valuable.

Top Tips:

- 1. **Use the 'Becoming a TLG Early Intervention Prayer Partner' document.**
It is really important to make sure that Prayer Partners understand what Early Intervention is and how it works. This includes ensuring that they are fully aware of the need for confidentiality and the boundaries that this gives to your prayer times together. The Prayer Partner document is a really helpful tool to bring clarity to this and should be given to anyone you approach to consider this role.
- 2. **Be intentional about prayer.**
It can be so easy to feel that you are in regular contact with your coach/prayer partner because you see them each week at church - or even live with them! However, setting aside regular time each month or half-term to be intentional in praying for the family you are journeying with is so important. And remember
- 3. **Keep in contact.**
Make sure that your prayer partner knows the time and day when you are coaching so that they can remember you in prayer in real time. You might want to set up a whatsapp chat or simply text some simple prayer requests in between your regular prayer times together.
- 4. **Don't forget to celebrate!**
It is so easy for prayer to become a shopping list activity of requests. Remember also to spend time noticing the answers and bringing thanks.
- 5. **Keep on keeping on!**
Be persistent in prayer, and keep alert as you pray, giving thanks to God: Col 4:2 GNT



Becoming a TLG Early Intervention Prayer Partner

We would love you to join in with our TLG Early Intervention project by standing with us in prayer and becoming a Prayer Partner. This document should answer some of the most frequently asked questions about this role as well as bring some helpful guidelines to help make sure we make the most of our time together. However, if you want to know more please do feel free to chat with our church's Early Intervention Coordinator.

Who are TLG

TLG, which stands for 'Transforming Lives for Good', is a Christian charity passionate about bringing a practical approach that brings strong connections between local churches, families and schools. Beginning with the work of one local church in Bradford over 20 years ago, we now work with local churches throughout the UK and Portugal to support struggling children and their families. (To find out more, check out the website - tlg.org.uk).

What will our prayer times look like?

Clearly, in order to honour the families being supported and to maintain confidentiality, coaches will not be able to share specific details about who they are coaching or the content of any sessions - they will simply talk about their 'coached child'. It is VERY important that Prayer Partners respect the need to maintain absolute confidentiality for the children being coached and their family.

Children who are chosen for coaching may be experiencing all kinds of difficulties with their thoughts, feelings, behaviour, learning and relationships. Sometimes the things that children share can feel overwhelming for the coach. At other times coaches may feel frustrated by not being able to find out more or fix the situations that children experience.

Just as Moses needed Aaron and Hur to support him in prayer, we are keen to ensure that all of our coaches have champions standing with them, bringing prayer and support to enable them to be the very best that they can be for the child that they coach and the family that they support.

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