

HEREFORD HOTS
(Healing on the Streets)
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HAPPY FIRST BIRTHDAY HOTS!!

Twelve months ago, Saturday, 8th January, 2011 HOTS was launched on a cold day in High Town and we had started before we had begun! You may remember the man (was he an angel?) who came for prayer before the chairs were out, the banner unfurled or the kneeling mats on the pavement! Any first-day nerves or anxieties were taken away!

Since then many people have encountered God or sensed the love and presence of God:

- ✓ on the chair or standing for prayer
- ✓ from the smile and the loving word
- ✓ through a conversation with a Team member
- or
- ✓ taken a leaflet and have a reminder that God heals today

Testimony Book Two, Book One is now full, gives clear evidence of continuing, beautiful and genuine blessing in High Town over September, October, November and December 2011 as people come for prayer; each one precious to the Father who now has an testimony of love, grace, an encounter with God and healing!

- J fractured hip and suffered stroke after surgery. Asked for prayer for better mobility- was walking more smoothly after prayer
- M asked for prayer for healing of back and legs. Was conscious of healing taking place, but thought it would take more prayer and time.
- D has anxiety. Prayer that she would know the spirit and peace of Jesus. D thanked us for the prayer.
- K came to be prayer for. He felt the peace of god upon him as did we who prayed for him.
- B asked for prayer for back pain. Felt much relief after prayer.
- S asked for prayer for healing of family ties. Had a word from the Lord about giving Him the burdens and He will return what is needed and keep what is not.
- D as two team members were praying in the church D began to weep – this was a real healing as eyes had been stinging, dry and irritated.

Team member was *asked* for a leaflet...someone wanted to know what we were doing. A great encouragement!

- H wanted prayer for her friend L who has turned his back on her.
- J wanted prayer as lots of things keep going wrong in the house and health wise.
- W a lady came asking for her friend W who has cancer. The friend asking for prayer did not stay but it was felt that she would be 'convinced' if W was healed.



- C is suffering from anxiety and exhaustion, she has difficulty letting go of things to give them to Jesus. She asked for details of somewhere she can find a Bible study group to help her get closer to Jesus
- R comes quite often for prayer about various things. Her life circumstances make fellowship difficult. She did not want prayer today but took a Gideon Bible.
- U had a hip operation on 28th September
- I suffering from depression. Prayed for Joy and peace, she had a picture of the sun and felt it's warmth
- L has a fear of tall buildings and coming into High Town on her own. She was assured of God's love for her and perfect love driving out all fear. She felt the love of God.
- J an alcoholic asked for prayer for herself and her partner to be free from alcohol. They have tried counselling, AA, churches...in the past. She was tearful, nervous and twitchy. Prayed for freedom from alcohol and peace. J looked and felt better – will come again other Saturdays.
- P prayed for complete healing of ankle
- V prayed for strength as she was feeling tired. She felt uplifted
- S prayed that he would go to Teen Challenge, Swansea...that he and his friend who are homeless will find somewhere to live. Prayed for release from addiction.
- J a young lad about 14. Prayed with him because he hates school, has lost his sense of direction in life, is behind in his school work. He felt his parents are on his case too. We prayed for his relationship with his teachers and thanked God for his courage to step forward. We prayed that he can use this courage to embrace his future, and that he will be given the sense of direction he desperately wants.
- Information was given to a young boy on a bike who seemed a little distressed. We couldn't pray with him because his friend was calling him away.
- HOTS member – prayer for and was filled with Joy
- HOTS member – felt strengthened and this was followed by good conversations with members of the public
- HOTS member – thumb was prayed for – will know any change when has to do some lifting
- HOTS member – filled with the Spirit – had felt tired, drained. Felt better afterwards.
- Church member – God gave a word that he would speak to her out of His peace. Pick up again, praying in tongues.
- Church member – wanted peace in her household and for her two sons and her mother
- V prayed for V, her brother and her mum who is having a heart operation. She felt the power of the Holy Spirit
- T prayed for guidance and that she would know God's peace. She is a believer but wants to get closer to God.
- K gave testimony of his Uncle who we prayed for some months ago who had a serious illness due to a hip operation. God healed his uncle and he made a miraculous recovery. Prayed for fulfilment in K's life and he said he felt really peaceful and calm amidst the hustle and bustle of the day.
- F asked for prayer for dizziness. He received a word about stepping aside to hear what God was saying.



- D had what he thought was rheumatism in one shoulder, and gout type pain in opposite hip. He said he sensed the authority of prayer and felt God's presence was with us.
- L had prayer for her feet and ankles. Prayed that God would strengthen them, as her feet were to be used to take out God's word to others.
- J asked for prayer for balance and strength in her legs (she had been to HOTS previously and felt a warmth in her body)



J asked for prayer for healing of her foot after an operation and for healing to forgive. She felt a real sense of peace. A picture of warmth.

One lady was very interested but the other two drew her away, saying they believed in the "goddess".

J already known to some team members came for prayer for healing of pain in legs and posterior. He went away relieved and not using his stick (pain better but not fully gone at that point)

Lady with osteoarthritis came asking for prayer, she said she has been put off religion but is happy to be prayed for, will return for the next two weeks.

J A very angry lady who is at odds with her elderly mother. Prayed for her and she felt the problem lift from her.

Lady recognised by team member from work eventually asked for prayer over a conflict she is facing. Afterwards was really surprised how prayers were so accurate and wondered how. It was explained that when we know Jesus he gives us understanding and words. Plan to meet again.

D prayed for seeking a blessing from God .Encouraged to taste and see how good God is.

S wanted prayer for her husband who suffers from small strokes. After prayer felt peace and joy.

M came for prayer for trapped nerve in her spine causing pain down her legs. Prayed a second time and M felt the pain easing. Encouraged to come back for more prayer.

B came asking for prayer for her son O a doctor in Afghanistan, for his safety and strength and the work he does with the locals. Also prayed for peace for B.

M wanted to be reconciled to her daughter following a rift years ago. She doesn't know where her daughter is. Prayed that her daughter will be responsive.

E cholesterol very high. Many burdens. Two alcoholic sons who are becoming dry. Prayed for her burdens to be lifted which she said she could feel lifted. Then asked for the Holy Spirit to fill her.

J Dad died suddenly, she needed peace.

A Nasty fall hurt knee and ankle, felt the Lord's joy as she was prayed for.

A man biker came up to say he had prayer last week for his hands and it had not helped. He then clenched and opened his fingers and said, "Oh yes it has!"

M and T depressed and in debt. Prayed with them.

C prayer to overcome his habit and to remain strong

W came for prayer for her family and herself. She wanted to be guided by God to raise her children and have protection. She said she suffers with depression also. When we prayed for the Holy Spirit to come she felt a peace and she said she felt like she was having a hug and a hot bath! Team member felt there was a dove of peace hovering over her.



G asked for prayer for a fresh filling of the Spirit. Said felt peaceful.

L asked for healing from lies & hurt from the father and family of her baby. Was reassured of God's love and felt peaceful.

Talked to a young man who took a leaflet. Talked about God. Thanked team member for conversation.

L came to ask us for prayer but does not like being prayed for in public, for A who is sectioned and tried to hang herself yesterday, and for R for peace.

J has had prayer with us a couple of times – feels that she is now able to turn to Jesus and receive for herself but wanted us to pray for her brother who is recovering from Leukaemia, his wife has had a heart attack and also this couple to be reunited with her other brother and his wife where there is disharmony

K Pain in knee (felt same after prayer) said would come back with later verdict.

P pulled muscle affecting mobility. Felt peace.

J team member – prayed for end of cold and cough to go. After prayer felt movement in lungs and confidence that something's changed.

K team member – left knee pain. After prayer still there but actually left over next hour.

V came very upset as her husband B has terminal cancer. She had no hope or expectation that B would recover but was happy to receive prayer. Team members prayed for B, and for peace for V, and that Jesus would lift the stress from her. V was invited to return and receive prayer again if she wanted to.

S came seeking healing of throat and chest and guidance, went away blessed.

S and Mum prayed for separately. S has Down's Syndrome, prayer was general. Mum also received prayer from other team members.

C from Abergavenny. Asked for prayer for peace and being able to live a better life. Doesn't yet fully know Jesus. Prayed for her to meet Jesus in a real way. She felt very much at peace after we had prayed.

V knows she needs to retire and is feeling worried about letting people down. After prayer felt peace and assurance that the Lord will over-rule and bless the whole situation.

J prayed that he will come to know Jesus for himself – he prays a lot for other people but doesn't know the source.

Team member prayer for better health

Team member received prayer for a deep need to be resolved.

C wanted prayer for unspecified health issues, both for his family and himself. He also wanted God's peace with him.

J asked for prayer against negativity and darkness – especially round his son C. Prayed for peace and protection.

P prayer for healing of right leg injury, pain moved to left leg and after more prayer all pain went.

Lady with a property problem, came very agitated but left at peace

Team Member with back pain asked for prayer

Prayed "in proxy" for a lady with chilblains

Team member prayed for family member not well

Ms P came for prayer for her mother, father and brother (mother is unwell)
Other family members are unbelievers. P felt the presence of the Lord.
Her mother is suffering from auto immune disease where her own immune system is attacking itself.

M prayed for back and trapped nerve pain. Also has an infection in the hand following recent surgery. Sensed the Lord saying: "Trust me".

D team member. Has a back problem which was prayed for. Also received confirmation of the Lord's leading into greater involvement of a 'new work'.

D returned. He'd seen a picture of his spine being made straight. He felt an easing of pain.

C asked for prayer about his cold. It came on suddenly at the start of the week. Prayed for it to go and to clear up his breathing.

A member of HOTS... asked for prayer for her husband in hospital with chesty breathing problems. Prayed for Holy Spirit to fill her with peace and joy too. She started to laugh as joy bubbled up.

B prayed for home situation. He has been evicted and awaits God to intervene. Thanked us for prayer.

O Prayer for healing for class 2 diabetes and a leaking heart valve which was to be explored in hospital on Tuesday 13th Dec. Great warmth felt in team members hand as laid on O's shoulder. O smiled and prayed for us.

D one of the HOTS team...had a lot of pain in his right shoulder. God touched him and the stiffness went and he could raise his arm above his head

G wanted prayer for his lustful eye and to stop the cheating of sexual energy. Explained that this was part of the sinful nature and the reason for Christ's coming. He was appreciative and it would be interesting to hear any outcome.

J a believer, came for healing of eczema, mainly causing him to itch during the night. He said he'd let me know of the results later

M team member. Asked for prayer for a hand recently operated on and for her spine...discs that had become dry and nerve pain down both legs. After prayer her hand moved more easily and she reported less stiffness in her back when she stood up.

E was healed two years ago when in intensive care. Doesn't have a faith. Gave her leaflets and invited her to church.



Team member prayed for hearing...tinnitus and reduced hearing in right ear.

Expectant Christian Mum prayed that she would have the joy of Jesus during her pregnancy. She erupted in laughter after prayer for quite a while and remained giggly thereafter

Team member's son-in-law prayed for return to Lord and healing after being beaten up previous evening.

A man couldn't stop for prayer but told team member he has been diagnosed with a (non-malignant) brain tumour.

Team Member received prayer for a rash and filling with God's power

J is experiencing itching, some of it caused by eczema. The cream from the Dr is not working

G came for prayer regarding family problems. She has begun working locally. Felt the power and love of God. She is seeking a worshipping community to belong to.

W asked for prayer for smoking, bad circulation and amputated lower leg (due to gangrene from poor circulation) He received prayer then up and left promptly.

Lady needs confidence and strength to direct the Passion Play next year. She felt inadequate to do the job. Prayed for God's peace and gave her 'The Lord has not given us a spirit of fear...'. Team member had a word that the Lord is her shepherd and Psalm 23 was significant. The lady agreed and had recently been touched by this Psalm. She went away very encouraged

A moving to a new home. Wanted prayer as she is a little nervous. Said she felt tingly.

T requested prayer for guidance for her father.

S prayer for family problems and occult powers and spiritual attack. Song of Songs in prayer reminded how beloved and special she is.

Each one, a personal story; each one of these are thrilling testimonies to God's grace and healing presence in High Town. Each one enabled through Team members called, equipped and sent out in Jesus' Name to 'heal the sick' in Jesus Name. Jesus words from Luke, Mark and Acts being fulfilled in our city, in Hereford as we respond to his commission.

Thank you, team members for giving and sacrificing time and energy; showing and demonstrating God's love and compassion on Saturdays amidst the shoppers and visitors in High Town.

One testimony reads: *"Team noted that leaflets were given away more freely during the witness of prayer"*.

This, I believe, is noteworthy not only because it was during the prayer time or while praying for someone on the chair but as a reminder that it is the PRESENCE of GOD and our prayer that attracts interest and draws people to the chair to ask for healing or to ask what's happening and NOT only the leaflets or leafleting; important as that is!

I also wonder if we are spending time enough waiting on God as we kneel around the banner at the start; waiting on Him and not rising until we are secure in his presence that the Prince of Peace is here, NOW to heal.

Jonathan

