

NEWS

26 May 2019

St Paul's
HOWELL HILL

Serving in Kako, Alaska

For much of June, Karen and Andy Trevan will be serving at Kako Retreat Centre (KRC), in Western Alaska, USA.

Kako is in a very remote location and with its rough airstrip sits in a mountainous area on the site of an old gold mine lying on the Yukon and Kuskokwim rivers hundreds of miles from the nearest road system, 400 miles west of Anchorage. KRC serves isolated Inuit and Eskimo communities and people groups living in small villages that lie on the rivers within 150 mile radius of the centre.

The villages are often just 500 strong with subsistence hunting and fishing being the main way of life. Severe social issues affect every community with alcohol and drug problems, suicide - especially youth suicide - at a very high level. There is a tangible sense of despair and hopelessness throughout the region.

KRC seeks to bring Christ's love, hope and healing to these communities through ministry in the villages, ministry events at the centre throughout the year and youth camps over the summer. The youth are flown in



for 5 day camps that are something like Fuel, Soul Survivor and wilderness adventure sports combined. Up to 300 youngsters aged between 8 and 16 will be reached with the gospel message this summer in the 6 weeks of camp.

The centre has its own Cessna 206, a 6-seat aircraft built for demanding bush airstrips. The weather can be bad and create demanding flying

conditions so the centre needs professionally qualified pilots to meet the aviation needs – sadly one of the pilots was tragically killed flying there in 2017. As a professional pilot, Andy flies the centre's aircraft and Karen uses her nursing, cooking and listening skills to serve the camp and the young adult leaders who come in from across the USA that also serve there during the summer.

If you would like to be involved by supporting Karen and Andy and KRC in prayer, please contact them to join a WhatsApp or email group.

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Karen & Andy Trevan

You are welcome at any of our activities this coming week at St Paul's

This Sunday 26 May

10am *Speaking truth to our culture*

- *The world's storm*

Speaker: Neil Thomas

6pm Communion Service

Wisdom for facing discrimination

Speaker: James Wakefield

Monday Bank Holiday - No Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 10am-1pm Stay & Play

11am Spartans

2pm Book Club (The Hub)

2-5pm Study Space (The Hub)

Wednesday 11am Mid Week Focus Communion

Thursday 9:30am Prayer & Pastries

8pm Thy Kingdom Come

Friday 10am-1pm Stay & Play

2-5pm Study Space (The Hub)

Sunday 2 June

10am Communion Service

Speaking truth to our culture

- *Who is my neighbour?*

Speaker: Paul Dever

6pm *Wisdom for a useful faith*

Speaker: David Wright

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Office hours 9:30am-2:30pm Monday to Friday

Please pray for:

- those we know who are ill, in hospital or recovering from surgery; for those adjusting to loss in their lives.
- Christians in business, and our witness to those struggling with current uncertainty.
- Andy and Karen Trevan travelling to Kako, Alaska to help with children's holiday clubs.
- our Stay and Play sessions in the Hub this half term – for a great welcome to many who don't usually come to church.

You're welcome to join us to pray on Monday mornings, except Bank Holiday Mondays, 9:15-9:45am in the Lounge. If you would like prayer for anything, contact Sally Thomas sallyt@saintpauls.co.uk / 020 8224 7360.

Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. We will be joining voices from around the world this year and invite you to:

Individually - sign up to pray for a one hour slot during the 11 days from **Thursday 30 May – Sunday 9 June**.

Take a slip from the noticeboard – you'll be able to sign up from **Sunday 26 May**.

Corporately – join us for an hour of prayer in the Prayer Space (main arena) on **Thursday 30 May 8-9pm** or **Thursday 6 June 1-2pm**.

Families - Pick up a prayer adventure map and stickers from the Welcome Area or see Naomi.

Study Space (Revision)

Use The Hub as a space for quiet study and revision, Tuesdays & Fridays 2-5pm until 14 June. For young people and students. Brain food provided.

FUEL Socials - Save the dates

Friday 7 June 7:15-pm - Creature Comforts

Friday 12 July 7:15-9pm - Inflatables Party

Sean's thank you gift

The gift for Sean will be presented during the evening service on **Sunday 9 June**, with a party afterwards. If you wish to contribute towards the gift, please give cash or cheque (payable to Steve McLeod) in a suitably marked envelope to the Wardens or Duty Wardens by 2 June.

Youth & Worship Pastors Update

Thank you for your prayers and support as we recruit for these vital roles. Although we are beginning an exploratory conversation with a couple, it is at a very early stage and there are some significant hurdles to overcome. Unfortunately, there are currently no other viable candidates. We may need to reflect and re-advertise. It is worth noting that there are 100 youth vacancies being advertised in the Anglican Church at present, underlining the challenges that we face in recruiting appropriate members for our team. Please continue to pray, and chat to Paul about any concerns. Please also consider whether you may be called to contribute to the Youth Ministry, even for a season, to ensure we continue to invest in our young people.

New Bin for Cups

Please support our efforts to be more eco-friendly by using our new cup recycling bin, specially designed to collect used cups and waste liquid in a separate reservoir.



Reasons to Believe with Amy Orr-Ewing

Saturday 15 June. Our thanks to all who have booked for our conference, which is now full. Places will NOT be available on the door but we are getting some cancellations, so please email David if you have not booked but are keen to come davids@saintpauls.co.uk

Prayer Walking the London Loop!

Fri 21/Sat 22/Sun 23 June. Walk and pray on the St Paul's section of the London Loop (see tfl.gov.uk/modes/walking/loop-walk). Organised by Neighbourhood Prayer Network, this will include prayer against violent crime. As well as walkers, we hope to provide a welcome in The Hub. Contact Sally for more information.

sallyt@saintpauls.co.uk / 0208 224 7360

Little Fishes Quiz Night at St Paul's

Saturday 22 June 7:30pm. Cost £10 includes fish and chips - bring your own snacks and drinks. Tables of 8 please. On your own? - we can put you on a table with others. Come and have some fun! To book, contact Jan Wright littlefishes@saintpauls.co.uk

Open Mic Night: FUEL & Wildfire

Saturday 29 June 6-9pm Join us for a night of relaxed fun, music, poetry, comedy... and whatever else people come up with! Entry is free, and if you want to sign-up an act just speak to Tim Fairhead. But there's no need to perform - just turn up and enjoy the social.

Kidzone Summer Helpers Needed

To give our regular Kidzone team a break, we need leaders and helpers for the Summer. Can you serve on any of these dates? **28 Jul, 4, 11, 18, 25 Aug & 1 Sep**. Further details from Naomi naomis@saintpauls.co.uk

Wedding Invitation

All those who know Joshua Shaw and Helen Bateman are invited to their wedding ceremony at St Paul's on **3 August 12:30pm**. Please let them know if you're planning to attend joshyouare@hotmail.co.uk

Giving to St Paul's

God's work here is funded by our church family and we encourage planned giving. Information on how to give regularly is available in the Welcome Area and online at saintpauls.co.uk/giving. There is a plate by the door for any who may wish to give today. Charity No 1128212