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Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the first Churches Together Prayer network update, lovely to be able to link and share in prayer. We are quite a small group at present so if you know others who might like to join, please do encourage them to send a message to me.

First of all some good news from the Salvation Army, a story of answered prayer this week:

A lady was rung by her doctor last week, and he strictly told her not to go out because her health put her at serious risk. She had been going to do her own food shopping, and was distraught, and has no family to ask, and cares for her brother who has dementia. In tears she prayed that God would help her. One of our soldiers was out walking her dog, and had a of our few leaflets advertising that we might be able to help people self-isolating. She decided to pop one in this lady's door. We're now able to give her that practical support, and she is amazed at the answer to prayer.

We all know that there is plenty to pray for at present, amongst other things:

- our government and those with the burden of decisions that affect the lives of many
- workers in the health and care services facing new challenges
- those isolated and anxious
- those suffering with the virus and their families and friends

Can we also pray for the work of our churches as they seek to offer help and support to our local communities.

For the work of Sudbury Community Network and other local groups helping the vulnerable.

For Storehouse and their work, that clients may be able to access vouchers and that food donations will keep coming in (as well as praying please do share information on this too)

For friends and family that we are unable to visit at present, especially our church families.

If you have any prayer requests that you would like to pray for, then please do email me and let me know (making sure that the individual concerned is aware and consents). Please do also email me to share any good news stories that you might hear.

I'll aim to message once a week on a Friday unless there is an urgent request for prayer in between.

Thanks and God bless.

Ruth.