

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH WELTON BABY PROJECT NEWSLETTER
November 2023

Reach for the Stars Christmas Challenge (part 3)



Dear Supporters,

Your response to this 10th anniversary year challenge, so far, has been overwhelming! At the moment, we no longer need items for newly born babies, as there are plenty in stock and good quality second hand clothing for whole families have given the maximum amount happiness and smiles to those who receive them during October. Your inspiration is infectious. Please read on knowing you have made a real difference to so many local and regional families. God is higher than the stars and waiting for our final reach towards welcoming that special baby born in Bethlehem during the Advent and Christmas season.

This month a group of elderly supporters in their 90's made 12 memory blankets for stillborn babies and their parents and a knitting group provided 20 blankets for cots and the knees of

parents when they feed their hungry babies in the depth of a dark winter night. The Midwives at Northampton General sent you a letter.



To Everyone at the baby Project,

Rachael Moss and Rachel Surl Bereavement Midwives

Northampton NHS Trust

5th October 2023

Thank you very much for the beautiful knitting that you, very generously, made for our unit. They will be used either for our poorly babies needing to be kept warm on our special care or postnatal wards, or for use in our Bereavement room for babies loved and lost.

Gifts such as these are always greatly appreciated. Many thanks, once again. Kind regards, Rachael, Rachel and Jane

There is more. Breathing IN the spirit of your love we received a delivery of donations from the Methodist Church and breathing OUT your love Holly from Big Issue collects and loads her van with your donations. They will reach families with babies and young children from Birmingham to Oxford. These were just

part of a great response during October. We received over 10 large sacks of items and as a result were able to reach out and donate some to another a local charity.



Sarah delivering and Holly collecting



This year the words of Psalm 133 will also inspire us to reach out to the Middle East and play a small part as peacemakers ourselves. We empower each other by working together like this. Through your generosity and with "the whole world at our feet" we will be making a donation of £100 to the Christian Charity Shevet Achim, an organization that lives out faith by dwelling together in unity and is based in Jerusalem. Its purpose

is to save lives of babies and young children in the Middle East born with serious congenital heart defects, but with no access to advanced medical care. Highly specialised medical teams partner hospitals in Israel, with an unwavering commitment to assist with funding life-saving surgeries. Shevet Achim communities help children from Gaza, Iraq and Syria to come to Israel for open-heart surgeries. The first community was formed in response to the plea of a mother who came to Israel with nothing but faith, seeking life-saving treatment for her son.



All working in unity for innocent babies everywhere



The Shevet Achim logo we have over the years supported them

OUR PRAYER REQUEST FOR NOVEMBER

Please pray, for innocent children in war zones and share the stories you have encountered during our Baby Project work this year to support babies in challenging circumstance here at home. Pray that children who suffer poverty and trauma will experience the reality of acts of loving-kindness.

May we continue to be united with our shared Baby Project goal of improving a child's life.

Please share this newsletter with anyone who may like to help us in peacefully putting love into action this Christmas season and beyond.

NEXT MONTH NEWS OF TWO OTHER CHARITIES THAT WILL RECEIVE £100 as we continue to reach for the stars

With Best Wishes

Gilly, Jan Wall, Sarah Parry, Sue Jennens, Hazel Gault, Jan Krehel Fran Deeley

COLLECTION POINTS by delivery to Gilly at home or to the Daventry Methodist Church and direct to Milk&You.

THIS IS HOW TO CONTACT US A donation can still be made by cheque to Welton PCC Please **label it, for the Baby Project, on the back.**



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