



Weekly Prayer Focus: 9th Aug 2026 Oxlow Lane Baptist Church

Oxlow Lane Baptist Church in Dagenham, East London, was formed eighty-eight years ago and is a constantly changing and multi-ethnic community, which the church reflects in its makeup. Neil Kinghorn has been their minister since January 2020.

Outreach is at the heart of the church's mindset, which can be seen from their ministries to the community. Once a week, a book table is placed outside a local parade of shops where people can learn more about the church, and conversations are enabled. Blessings and fruit have resulted from this, as people have visited the church, and they would love to see this continue.

Bi-monthly a Christian/Muslim discussion time takes place at Oxlow Lane. The Muslim community is increasing in the area. Christian and Muslim speakers lead a subject/topic, both faiths can express their own perspectives, and learning more about each other's faith occurs through open discussion. This outreach is valuable and is building bridges into the community in a loving and friendly way.

The church has a number of young people and a discipleship programme is held for them on Fridays where they discuss and look at the love of God in order to equip and encourage them to build on His foundation. They are currently partnering with a Christian company to 're-fresh' their social media aspects of church life to be more visible to people seeking a church family with Christ Jesus and the great commission at the centre of all it does.

Gratitude to God is given as the Lord has added to their number since the pandemic and the church has rejoiced in seeing baptisms from across the age ranges.

Please pray with the church:

- **That these ongoing and outward-reaching ministries keep growing, and this is an opportunity for the church to grow in the knowledge and love of God for His world.**
- **For Neil and his ongoing interaction with a Jehovah's Witness who comes in weekly to study the Bible and chat with him about the Christian Gospel. This came about through the book table ministry, where this person passed, engaged and stopped to talk.**
- **For God to receive all the glory as they seek to reach the changing community of East London in their locality.**