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Why?

During Covid and lockdown God called his church out of the building and reconnected people with their local communities. God mobilised people through the daily walk and so the invitation became, 'turn our daily walk into a prayer walk'.

At Hope for Every Home we want everyone, everywhere to know Jesus; to reach every street and every home through prayer. It's a huge vision but it starts right where we are by turning our everyday walks into prayer walks.

How?

The Oikos Prayer App is simple, free and available from The App Store or Google Play. OIKOS is Greek for every home and helps us map our prayers street by street, to the last home. To find the OIKOS prayer app search for OIKOS Outreach in your app store.

Download

Look for the OIKOS logo in your app store and download.

When you open the app you will be asked for information, which allows the app to find you using GPS.

You will need to create a username for your account and provide an e-mail.

The 'About this App' section in the menu provides you with details about the terms and conditions regarding the use of your data.



The menu

The menu explains the main features of the app.

About Hope for Every Home	>	About takes you to the Hope for Every Home website
About this App	>	Explains the key features of the app
Adopt an Area	>	How to adopt a specific area or areas to pray for
My Adoptions	>	Lists your adopted areas
View Map	>	Takes you to your map
Give Feedback	>	Feedback to the developers
Share This App	>	Share with people you know
Join a Group	>	Join a local group or prayer campaign
Partners	>	Links to our partner websites
Logout		

Adopt an area

You might want to pray for a specific area to create a focus.

To create an area on the app, tap at the edges of your area and the app joins them together to form a shape. The app draws the shape inside where you have tapped so you need to go slightly bigger than you think. The app connects them in the order you draw them

so start from one edge/corner and work round rather than across.

You can then log your area and view it in 'My Adoptions'.

Adopting an area doesn't mean that you can't put prayer and share pins in elsewhere and other people can also still pin in your area.





Getting started



You can find where you are on the map by looking for the blue GPS dot. Use your fingers to zoom in and out. Bring your fingers together to zoom in or move them apart to zoom out.

If you zoom right out you will see the UK and further out still, the rest of the world.

The OIKOS Prayer App links you to Hope for Every Home and the UK group.

If you travel to another country, you can still use the app.

Zoom in to see other people's prayers and shares, which appear as grey pins.

When you tap a pin, it tells you whether it's a prayer or a share pin.

When you get to an area you want to pray for or share with, tap the screen and choose 'Prayer' or 'Share' as outreach options.

Prayer

- To pray, first decide where you want to pray.
- Make sure you are zoomed in enough to see the specific street.
- Tap the screen and choose the 'I prayed' option.
- The aim is to pray for the people in every street/road/lane in the UK.
- To help us map this please only put one prayer pin in a street.
- If someone else has already put a prayer pin in the street, please don't add another.
 Pray but don't pin!
- Your prayer pins will appear as little blue hands on your map.
- Other people will see them as grey pins.
- Your pins are coloured shapes; other people's are grey pins.









Share can take different forms.

It might be a conversation that points people towards faith e.g. sharing that you are a Christian / go to church, or offering to pray for someone.

It could be an act of care e.g. delivering shopping, food, flowers, a prescription, a card.

Share might also be an invitation to an event where faith will be shared or giving out literature e.g. Hope for All magazine, Mark's Gospel.

Use as many share pins as you like on a given road/street.

Your share pins appear as little green houses on your map; to others they will be grey pins.

Groups

Hope for Every Home has a UK group within the global OIKOS app.

This helps us to monitor UK data only.

It is possible to create subgroups within the UK version of the app.

Subgroups might be of interest if you want to create a group of people focussed on a particular area or have a prayer campaign at a particular time.

To set up a group emial Sammy Jordan <u>sammy.jordan@hopetogether.org.uk</u>

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Sammy will send you a link to create a group.

To join a group, you need to either put in the code that your group creator has given to

you, or search for the name of the group and select from the list.

Once you have created a group you can manage it here <u>https://manage.oikosoutreach.com/manage-groups</u>



Answered prayer

We want to encourage you to be intentional about noticing answers to prayer.

Answers to prayer fuel our faith and feed our prayer habit.

Hope for Every Home and OIKOS are partnering with The Eternal Wall of Answered Prayer.

If you have an answered prayer to share use the 'partners' link on the main OIKOS menu to take you to the Eternal Wall website where you can log your answer to prayer. It will then become one of the one million bricks in the wall of answered prayer.









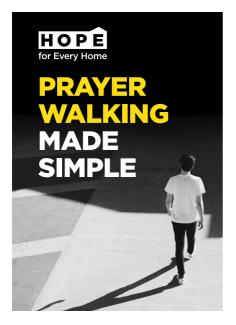
Developing a habit

At Hope for Every Home we want the OIKOS Prayer App to support people 'to pray as part of their everyday routines and for prayer to become a daily habit. That's how we will reach everyone, everywhere with the good news about Jesus.

The app allows you to watch your pins build up over time, to see where you have been and to see the Kingdom impact you and others have made.

Your app will send you notifications to encourage you.

There are even badges to be won!



For more information about the OIKOS Prayer App and downloadable resources, please visit our website <u>www.hopeforeveryhome.org</u> or find us <u>on Facebook</u>

If you are new to prayer walking you might find it useful to <u>download</u> our free resource 'Prayer Walking Made Simple'.

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