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Political Endorsements

Andy Street CBE, *Mayor of the West Midlands* - “It’s an incredibly ambitious, stunning project... in terms of a real statement, a landmark for the Midlands, I think it’s an incredibly progressive, ambitious piece of architecture.”

Stephen Timms MP - “I think it’s an inspiring idea and it’s a fantastic design. It’s going to be visible from lots of motorways, railways, from the air, and I think it’s going to inspire a lot of people. I really look forward to seeing it up and built and open in time for the Commonwealth Games.”

Stephen Timms MP - “I think it will make a big impact on the national consciousness. It’s a reflection of the fact that many, many people in Britain today, as well as in our history, have experienced answered prayer...”

HM Lord-Lieutenant of Bedfordshire Helen Nellis - “I think it’s incredibly exciting, it’s a project that certainly touched my heart as soon as I read about it...”

Steve Maxey, *Acting Chief Executive of North Warwickshire Borough Council* - “We are greatly excited by this project – I strongly believe it will come to be as loved by people locally and nationally as the Angel of the North, and brilliantly compliments our work on improving mental health and wellbeing.”

Baroness Sal Brinton - “As a nation we are often quite shy about putting our faith in a public place, and it also seemed to me, as a politician, that we need to be able to say that prayer is absolutely important to Christians.”

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Design Competition Judging Panel Endorsements

Lord Edmiston - “My initial reaction to looking at the designs for this Wall of Answered Prayer is it looks fantastic. It’s a great design; the architects have clearly done a lot of in-depth work and studied every aspect of it and it looks visually very impactful. Also the internal workings of how the technology is going to work seems also appropriate so I was very happy to see it.”

Major General (Rtd) Dickie Davis CB CBE - “I think the design is innovative, it’s thought provoking, and it will really get people thinking about the value of prayer.”

Jack Lovell, Founder & Director of *Morgan Sindall* - “I absolutely love The Wall. I can’t wait to go and visit and take my family and friends. I think it’s that good, it’s smashing.”

Deepak Mahtani, *Social Entrepreneur* - “The Wall of Answered Prayer is a really incredible idea, concept, dream, and I think it’s something that this nation needs. I don’t know when the last time a national monument was made in this country, but this is a real iconic structure which we hope and pray will give back the glory to God in terms of all the prayers that He has answered up to now for individuals and for this nation, but also as people pray to Him for their prayers into the future.”

Anna Pepperall, *Freelance Public Art Consultant* - “It’s got a great simplicity about it, and I’m sure it’ll be an iconic structure and certainly have a lot of visitor interest and involvement.”

Pam Rhodes, Presenter of *Songs of Praise* - “It seems worth sharing real, true life experiences of people who found that simply by praying, by opening their hearts to God, that changes comes; change for the better...”

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Partner Endorsements

Gavin Calver, CEO of *Evangelical Alliance* - "Incredible to think about how many answered prayers are held within this initiative."

Dr John Kirkby CBE, Founder of *Christians Against Poverty* - "I am delighted and excited to see the launch of this monument of hope; this physical beacon of God's faithfulness to His people that will continue to stand for years to come and speak of the goodness of God. As Christians we all have stories of answered prayers, of times God has heard our cries for change, for healing, for provision, for peace. Yet we so often fail to share them and even over time allow ourselves to forget them entirely. These stories are powerful and need to be shared and remembered! I pray that this wall will bring hope to all who need it, that the God who has answered a million prayers can answer for them as well. That for generations it will stand as a testimony to the living God."

Tim & Sue Eldridge, Founders of *Presence Ministries* - "I feel that right now our nation needs hope! Our nation needs good news and our nation needs to have something positive to camp around.... and THE WALL is a fantastic way to bring hope, share positivity and to come together to celebrate all the stories that will be represented. It will be a beacon to our nation that we believe in the power of prayer and that faith really does change things."

Mark Dijkens, Regional Director of *CBN Europe* - "We are incredibly proud of Richard and the Wall of Answered Prayer team for running with God's audacious vision to raise up a landmark of hope for this nation. Faith is the evidence of the things unseen, and it is through faith that this monument of God's goodness will be built. As Nehemiah rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem, so will the Wall of Answered Prayer help to rebuild the ruins of our Christian heritage for the glory of God! It is our privilege to stand side by side with Richard and his team to see this nation changed!"

Paul Manwaring - "Good news is about to become contagious. God is alive and He is good. This project to build a wall declaring the testimonies of Jesus, not in bible times or other countries but here in the UK is one of the most exciting, brave and adventurous building projects of our times. "If walls could talk," well this one will and it will tell of the wonders of our God!"

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Terry Durose, Chairman of *BACM* - “The City Mission Movement U.K. is founded on and steeped in prayer and so we need no convincing of the importance of this project. This bold initiative will raise awareness of prayer and will make a clear statement to our nation that we can place our trust in God at all times.”

Steve Botham, Director of *World Prayer Centre* - “World Prayer Centre are delighted to partner with The Wall. Our passion is to mobilise and inspire prayer and what could be a better tool for that than a million stories of answered prayer. Prayer is shaped by our relationship with Jesus – we believe the Wall of Answered Prayer will open up many people’s eyes to our compassionate, forgiving, merciful Jesus in exciting new ways.”

Andy Geers, Creator of *PrayerMate* - “Prayer is powerful because the God we pray to loves to *answer* those prayers. We love the vision behind the Wall of celebrating the ways God has answered so many prayers in the past in order to build our trust in him for the future.”

Tony Hodges, Founder of *City Vision* - “The Wall is one of the most inspirational concepts in our generation. Given appropriate support from the Body of Christ it will bless generations to come.”

Carl Brettle, Founder & CEO of *100M* - “It is rare to come across a project which will capture the imagination of the whole Nation. Seeing a monument to Answered Prayer will be an inspiration to millions as they believe for their own miracle. This project will raise faith, turn heads, and challenge us all to recognise the faithfulness of God in our lifetime.”

Roy Crowne, Executive Director of *Hope Together* - “This is one of the most audacious, crazy dreams, that I think God’s in. It’s been amazing to get to this point. I’m praying that this structure will be around for the next 200 years, and it will transform lives because of the stories...”

David Hart, Development Coordinator at *TryPraying* - “The Wall will be an amazing witness to the fact that He can be completely trusted and that the cries of our nation can bring about change that sees God’s rule and reign across the length and breadth of the UK. We are privileged to be a partner in this venture.”

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Ian Nicholson, International Director of *24/7 Prayer* - "The history of these islands, and our impact on the world, have been shaped by praying communities over millennia. The idea of a lasting, symbolic celebration of the power of Christian prayer coupled with a living, permanent prayer community is fantastic - its time has come."

Church Endorsements

Rt Revd David Urquhart, *Bishop of Birmingham* - "I am excited about The Wall and support it as an encouragement to personal and national prayer and to attract visitors for exploring the journey of faith."

Yinka Oyekan, *President Elect of the Baptist Union (UK)* - "The Wall will be a permanent reminder of the power embedded in prayer, a power that produces an irrepressible hope enabling the scaling of any mountain. It will also be a lasting symbol of what faith can accomplish."

Dr Daniel Adewale King, *Senior Pastor of Divine Connection International Church* - "This is one of the best things that has happened to this land. It's a standout landmark. Well done to Richard Gamble and the team."