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Prayer Request

- Souls to be saved, baptized, and discipled
- For our supporting churches
- For Sarah's outreach with the book study, church ladies, and co-ops
- For Open Door Baptist Church and its growth
- For us as we reach out to our neighbours and witness to them
- For wisdom for our leaders as they make decisions that are best for the country.
- For the health and safety of our church and families
- For new small groups to start in different homes
- Permanent facility for our church family - South St. Nicholas Church in Kincorth will be for sale in 2023-2024.
- Monthly teen activities
- For more labourers in the church
- Fundraiser on May 27th for building (Jumble Sale)
- Baptism service in the upcoming weeks.

Greeting

Dear Servants of Christ, They say, "April showers bring May flowers," but in Scotland we get showers in May also. Even amidst the rain, God gave us clear skies for special happenings.

Ministry News

At the beginning of May, Sarah took a group of ladies to a conference in Wales. It was such an encouragement for them to be around other Christian women surrendered to God's will. Before she left on her trip, we had a baptism service for a lady in our church. The rain was pouring that morning, but God cleared the skies for the baptism at the River Dee. Unfortunately, we had to reschedule the baptism on the 7th due to sickness, but are making plans to proceed in the upcoming weeks.

It was King Charles coronation this past week. Like most Scots, they didn't care much for it. Instead, we passed out tracts that weekend asking people if they have heard about THE KING. Many showed interest until they found out I was talking about Jesus Christ. Regardless, it was a blessed day getting the gospel out in Aberdeen. We have finally carved out time in our busy schedules to have a men's fellowship. We enjoyed a bbq with 70° weather! It had been raining all week, but God cleared it for a time of refreshment with the men of the church. A church needs strong leaders and faithful followers of Christ. We held our monthly youth connect this past Sunday and had over 30 kids in attendance. Many first-time visitors and many heard the gospel for the first time.

Family

Sarah enjoyed her time at the conference. I'm thankful that she can have these opportunities. **Madelyn** and Katelyn have been writing out Scripture verses each night before

they go to bed. It is interesting to hear their takes on what they've learned.

Katelyn has lost another tooth. As soon as she senses a tooth is wiggly, she informs everyone and then persistently tugs on it until it eventually comes out. **Jocelyn's** new thing is asking for dessert after every meal. 9 times out of 10 there is no dessert following, but she banks on each time as being that one time dessert follows.

Gracelyn has now moved to the middle bunk of a three-tier bunkbed due to Richy getting too big for the crib. She has informed us that it is her Castle.

Richard III has watched us on numerous occasions replace batteries in different toys. Today, his toy wasn't working, so he grabbed the screwdriver and attempted to replace the batteries himself.

Building Project

Since our last update, we are sitting at \$65,000 from our churches in the States. God is so good!

We are that much closer to reaching our goal of \$200,000 for the South St Nicholas Church in Kincorth. I've kept a separate letter attached and a link to the video (<https://youtu.be/ufIP0aqjqfl>) to help describe the building project we are working on.

Neighbourhood Bible Time

We hold our next Holiday Bible club July 17-21. We have new volunteers joining the team this year as we prepare training for this event. Last year we saw 31 souls come to Christ and 2 baptisms out of the 134 in attendance. If you would like to give towards the HBC or come out and join us, we would love to hear from you.

Closing

We pray this newsletter has been a blessing to you! We appreciate your continued prayer and support for us and the ministry God has put us in.

In Christ,

The Demastus Family
Your Missionaries in Scotland