

PRAYER LETTER

GLASGOW

News from CRAIG



When was the last time you went for a walk? Maybe it was earlier today, maybe it was yesterday? Walking alongside children and young people in their discovery of the good news is a joy and a privilege. Since my last Prayer Letter there have been many occasions where children and young people connected to SU Scotland within the Glasgow region. Be encouraged as you read about what has taken place and what is planned in the coming months. Thank you for your continued support and prayers as little by little, step by step, more and more young lives are responding to the significance of Jesus.

Eastercode Workshops | Wheel Trust

The Wheel Trust Eastercode team visited seven different primary schools; Broomhill, Dunard, Jordanhill, Scotstoun, St Pauls, Thornwood and Whiteinch in March. We walked with over 330 pupils through the workshops, exploring the story of Easter and the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. It was great to be at Dunard Primary this year as it was the first time the school had been involved with Eastercode. I had the privilege of teaching the Passover/Last Supper which highlighted the connections of the Passover Lamb and Jesus being the Lamb of God. I was delighted to be able to teach so many pupils from the Glasgow schools that the Bible story is one big story with Easter being the crescendo of the Good News!



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Glasgow Secondary Weekend

In March we held the Glasgow Secondary weekend at Gowanbank. We partnered with eXp Youth, Dunoon and had a fantastic time. Twenty young people from across the city and Dunoon enjoyed the activities on offer at the activity centre and we taught them three stories from Luke's account of the events of Easter; The Last Supper, The Cross and the Road to Emmaus. One camper who is in S1 said to me on our riverside walk on Sunday morning that "its been the best weekend that I've ever had!" To hear that sort of feedback, directly from a camper was so uplifting.



Glasgow Primary Weekend

At the beginning of May we had the Glasgow Primary weekend with 30 campers having the time of their lives at Gowanbank. As Team Leader of the weekend I was delighted that a number of team members were serving at the residential event for the first time and that they all want to serve again next year. We continued the partnership with Glasgow City Mission and we had (for the third year in a row) several campers from the Mission's Family Centre Afterschool Group. Give thanks to God for what was a great event.



40th Birthday Celebration and Kilt Walk

In April I celebrated my 40th birthday and I was able to use the occasion as an opportunity to help campers get to an SU Holiday. We held a 'Silent Disco' party at my church and I asked people to give towards supporting church young people going to SU Holidays. I'm delighted to say we raised £1,400 and danced the night away.



On Sunday 28 April the GB4 Team walked the Glasgow Kilt Walk. We asked friends and family to give to our Just Giving page and we were delighted to raise over £2,500 which will cover the cost of campers attending the camp and it helps us go the extra mile for the plans we have for GB4 camp.

SU Holidays | Summer Missions | GB4



In a few weeks time schools will finish for this academic year and the children and young people of Scotland will be on their summer holidays. For many, they will not be boarding a plane or packing a suitcase to get away. This is where we would love to see children and young people of Glasgow and beyond attending an SU Holiday or SU Mission event. Do you know a child or a young person who would benefit from being at an SU Holiday this summer? Please don't let cost be a barrier, the Holidays Sponsorship Appeal was very well received and the Holiday Sponsorship Fund is accessible to anyone who may need finance assistance. Please contact the SU Holidays Department 0141 352 7620 or info@suholidays.org.uk for further details.

I will be at Easterhouse Baptist Holiday Club during the first week of the summer then I'll be Team Leading a new Mission at Port Ban Holiday Park in Argyll. Finally, I will be co-leading GB4 camp before the end of July. Please pray for ALL the SU Holidays and Missions which are taking place across the country. Pray that many children and young people would take a step of faith and come to know Jesus as their saviour.

Sponsored Walk from Gowanbank to New Olympia House

This summer I plan to walk 27 miles from Gowanbank to the SU Scotland offices at New Olympia House in Bridgeton. The idea behind the walk is to raise money for the running costs of the Equip West events which we deliver throughout the year. We often have speakers who travel from England and this sponsored walk is to help cover the flight costs of getting our speakers to Glasgow. The Equip West Team were delighted that 402 young people attended an Equip West event in 2023/24. If you'd like to give a one-off gift to support this walk you can do so here www.suscotland.org.uk/donate/single-donation/



Hi Karen, how long have you been involved with SU Scotland?

It will be 11 years in September since I started working at the Wheel Trust.

What do you enjoy the most about the summer events you're involved in?

There is nothing like a residential where you get to spend quality time with young people, deepening relationships and exploring the Bible together.

Do you have a favourite story from an SU Scotland event?

Last year at a Mission, a primary age child had a life changing experience of a Christian community. He told his leader he was so lonely in his normal life and hadn't experienced anything like the care he got at our event. He also recently attended the Glasgow Primary Weekend, so plenty of opportunity for him to continue his walk with Jesus.



Prayer Points

Easterhouse Holiday Club | 1 - 5 July

For the third year in row I will be involved with the Easterhouse Holiday Club team. We are once again offering a free lunch to those in the community and then after lunch we will run the holiday club programme. Pray for a great week for all who take part.

Port Ban Mission | 8 - 12 July

A new pilot mission is running at Port Ban Holiday Park this summer. I will be Team Leader for the mission where we will be running a holiday club type event in the mornings with the help of volunteers and Port Ban staff. Please pray for us that we may shine for Jesus and that children on their holiday would dig into the Bible and discover Jesus.

GB4 Summer Camp | 20 - 27 July

I will be co-leading with Alan Scott at Gowanbank, 20 - 27 July. Pray that all 33 campers will have a fantastic time and that they will discover the amazing good news of Jesus either for the first time or they would grow in their relationship with Him. Pray for Linda and Sarah-Jane as they cook all our meals during the week.

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