

# Prayer Letter

## Glasgow

### News from Craig



Hello! A friend of mine recently sent me Psalm 33:20 as a What's App message and I've been thinking on these verses. I'm constantly amazed by the power of God's Word and when I read this verse I discovered that, much like a can of sardines – its crammed with so much content in such a short space. Waiting, hoping, helping, protector, rejoicing – just a glimpse of some of the themes from this single verse of Scripture. Before you read on, why not open your Bible and join me in delighting in this verse...be encouraged as you do..."we wait in hope for the Lord. He is our help and shield."

### Local Ministry Hubs | Lighting Up Glasgow schools

Local Ministry staff at SU Scotland have a departmental vision to see every school in Scotland being lit up for Jesus by having a Christian influence running through the life of every primary and secondary school. We are targeting the 360+ secondary schools with a view to establishing them as Local Ministry Hubs.

With the help of the volunteers and partnership churches, it's our aim to get a SU Group, Bible Alive, Christmas and Easter workshops or any other Christian organisation impacting schools. If we can do this, one Local Ministry Hub at a time, then slowly but very surely we will begin to light up Scotland through our Local Ministry Hubs. It's my hope that New Olympia House (picture above) will be one of these in the near future.

I'm delighted that this is already taking place across Glasgow with Jordanhill, Baillieston, Wheel Trust and Junction 12 running effective Local Ministry Hubs. Please join with me and pray for the city that we may see more Local Ministry Hubs forming and impacting even more of our schools and together we will light up Glasgow in the name of Jesus.

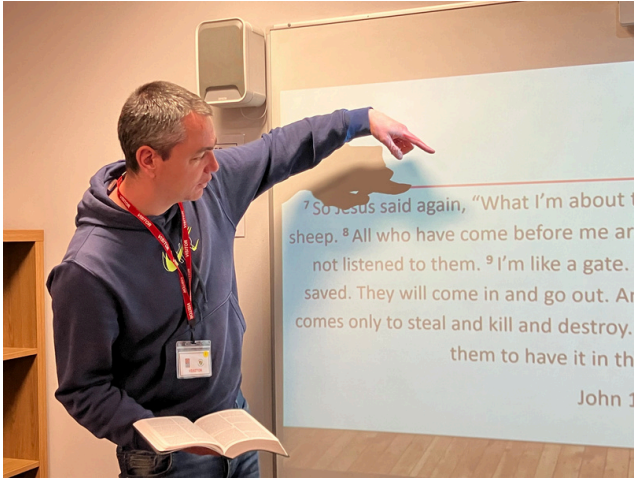
Please do contact me if you want to know more about Glasgow Local Ministry Hubs.

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## SU Groups | Primary Update



The Primary SU Groups continue to flourish with nine SU Groups meeting each week. I had the privilege of visiting the Jordanhill Group with colleagues from SU Northern Ireland last month. The impact that one SU Group can have in the life of a school is quite incredible. The Head Teacher explained to us that from the volunteers running the SU Group, the school now has two new parent run extra curricular groups helping the pupils develop new skills.

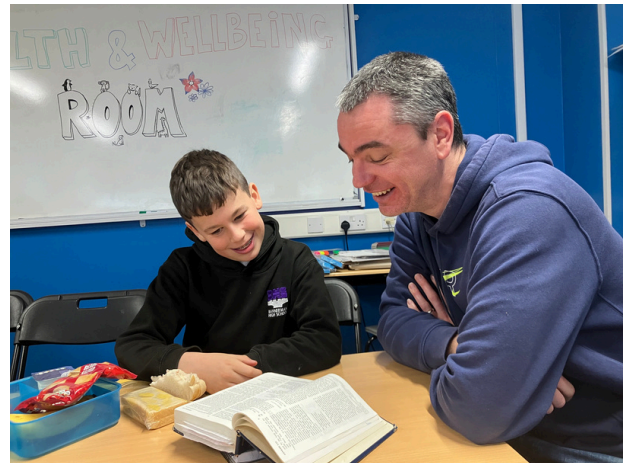
The Glasgow Primary Weekend will take place at Gowanbank on 2-4 May 2025, see the link for full details – [www.suholidays.org.uk/holidays/events/2025-05-02-glasgow-primary-weekend/](http://www.suholidays.org.uk/holidays/events/2025-05-02-glasgow-primary-weekend/)

## SU Groups | Secondary Update

Five secondary SU Groups run across the city. Bannerman, Cleveden, Hillhead, Hyndland and Smithcroft.

It is very encouraging to see the Hyndland Secondary SU Group re-start and I'm hoping in 2025 that Jordanhill Secondary will have their SU Group again. Please pray for these opportunities to bear fruit and that we can have more Glasgow secondary school age young people discover the amazing truths found in God's Word.

The Greater Glasgow weekend is open for bookings at [www.suholidays.org.uk/holidays/events/2025-03-28-greater-glasgow-secondary-weekend/](http://www.suholidays.org.uk/holidays/events/2025-03-28-greater-glasgow-secondary-weekend/)



## Equip Pupil Leader Training | September 2024



Karen Stangoe; Lanarkshire Regional Worker and I had a brilliant day delivering the Equip Pupil Leader Training course to 14 senior pupils at New Olympia House. This training allows pupils to be team members for their own school's SU Groups.

This is proving to be extremely effective in getting more SU Groups started across the country. See our webpage for full details and please spread the word to any young person you think would be suitable to take part in this training opportunity – [www.suscotland.org.uk/what-we-do/training/equip/equip-pupil-leader-training/](http://www.suscotland.org.uk/what-we-do/training/equip/equip-pupil-leader-training/)

## Glasgow Celebration | September 2024



It was wonderful to gather at New Olympia House on 22 September for the Glasgow Celebration. School volunteers, prayer partners and financial supporters gathered to hear about the on-going work of SU Scotland in Glasgow. I was able to present the Local Ministry Hubs vision and we had staff and volunteers share their experience of how the wider work of SU Scotland is having a huge impact on the children and young people in our city. Karen Campbell shared stories from Connect in the City 2024, Charlene Petersen explained what an SU Gaming Group is like and the Digital Department shared the new Explore Christmas resource. There were 30 of us who gathered to give thanks to God for all that He is doing through his people partnering in ministry across SU Scotland in Glasgow. Thanks to Elizabeth McDowall; SU Scotland Prayer and Church Partnerships Co-ordinator, who I worked with closely to deliver the event. Thanks to all who support the work in Glasgow to see every child and young person in Scotland to explore the Bible and respond to the significance of Jesus.

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## Equip West 2024-25



Equip West is back once again for this new academic year. We had over 100 young people join us in September to hear about the importance of having good friends. At the end of October we again welcomed over 100 secondary aged youth and 30+ youth leaders/parents to see how reading the Bible and praying regularly helps us to grasp how we find silence in the busyness. The Equip West team are looking forward to November's event where we will be joined by David Grant to explore how we conduct ourselves on social media. For full details of Equip West please visit the webpage; [www.suscotland.org.uk/what-we-do/training/equip/equip-events/](http://www.suscotland.org.uk/what-we-do/training/equip/equip-events/)

## We Are SU Scotland Glasgow: Mei May

**How long have you volunteered with SU Scotland and what do you do as a volunteer?** I've been a volunteer with SU Scotland for three years, supporting the Glasgow Primary Weekend events.

**Why do you give of your time to serve with SU Scotland?** It started with joining the Glasgow online prayer meeting in 2021. This led to praying for local Glasgow schools and to gain practical experience I joined the team at the primary weekend in 2022. I think there is great need today for children in Glasgow/Scotland to hear the Word, to have hope and to learn about God.



**What do you like most about volunteering?** It's about working in partnership, contributing as part of a team, to achieve our goals in reaching out to children. It's our endeavour to create a space and environment that God's love, presence, peace and protection can be felt and experienced. The best thing has always been chatting with the children, getting to know them, seeing them happy, engaged, enjoying and learning.

## Prayer Points

### Glasgow Weekend Events | Primary and Secondary

Both the Glasgow Weekend events are returning to Gowanbank in 2025. The Greater Glasgow Secondary Weekend is running on 28-30 March 2025. The Primary Weekend for pupils in P5-P7 is running on 2-4 May 2025. Please pray for these events and that children and young people will establish a living faith in Jesus as a result of attending the weekend events.

### More Investment for SU Scotland Glasgow

Please pray for God's provision of more supporters that could join in giving to the work of SU Scotland in Glasgow. Pray that more would experience the joy of giving to SU Scotland.

### Explore Christmas 2024

Pray that many schools across Scotland would use our new RME Christmas teaching resource. The three video episodes, feature young hosts, animation and interviews with school children as we unpack 'the promise', 'the surprise' and 'the light' of Christmas. Pray pupils and teachers would hear the truth of Jesus this season.

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