

# THE DEMASTUS FAMILY CHURCH PLANTERS IN SCOTLAND



...and how shall they *hear*  
without a *preacher?*

Romans 10:14



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## Prayer Request

- Souls to be saved, baptized, and disciplined.
- For our supporting churches.
- For Sarah's outreach with the SU group, church ladies, and nature co-ops.
- For Open Door Baptist Church and its growth.
- 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.
- More volunteers within our church to start assisting in areas of ministry.
- Local evangelistic opportunities this month.
- Visitors who came to church and need salvation.
- Graham Gray in the Torry care home. His son, Bryan, to come to church. Pray for our monthly services to be a blessing.
- Evangelism/relationships at karate lessons.
- 10,000 NT campaign for 2025-2026.
- New ministries and opportunities in the new facility in Westhill.
- Pray for the families of our church to find an easy transition to the new church building.
- Building Dedication in March 2026.

## Greeting

Dear Fellow Labourers,  
From 3ft of snow to non-stop rain, we are reminded that we live in Aberdeen, Scotland. However, we are praising God for all that was accomplished despite the weather.

## Ministry News

We have seen steady growth at ODBC. Not only numerically from the surrounding Westhill area, but spiritually among our church families.

We have an older couple who recently asked prayer about getting more involved. I asked them to pray about the children's ministry—since it has been growing substantially. After some time, they came back with interest and starting observing a few weeks back. This past Sunday, he taught the class and she led singing and craft time and they loved it! They are working on preparations for next week and have such a joy in their eyes that I haven't seen before. To know that they said 'no' the first time I asked him, to now finding their place at ODBC because they prayed for God's will. I'm excited for what God has in store!

We have seen numerous families attend each week, with many getting involved and making ODBC their home. Sarah and I have had many families over to our house and have also met families in their homes. The connections have been great! Some had stepped away from church for years due to not having a sound church in their area and had settled knowing that it was of no benefit to their family. I'm glad God placed us where we are. It is to His honour and glory these great things that have come to pass.

We are thankful for the church family involved with maintenance and doing projects on the church building. It has come a long way since day one! We are also thankful for those who have faithfully evangelised each week sharing the gospel and inviting people to church. The weather has made it quite a challenge, but God has blessed nonetheless.

We had two training sessions for our church—“Bereavement training” from Care For The Family and “Finding Inclusion Together” from Adam & Diane Riviero. These were a great help to our church and opened the door for improved ministries.

I also had the privilege of meeting a blind piano tuner. Not only did I witness his incredible talent, but got to hear his testimony of salvation after

reading John 9 as a kid. A CofS minister told him he was blind because of his parents. Jesus told him it was to the glory of God. He chose Jesus over man. He later lead his wife to the Lord before they were married. Praying for this couple to start attending our church.

## Family

**Sarah** has worked hard to develop a better children's program throughout the week. Not only are teachers stepping up, but her administration is helping it run smoothly.

**Madelyn (11)** had recently joined the teen class at church and loves it. Her teachers have come a long way in developing skills to keep the attention of the teens and point them to Christ.

**Katelyn (9)** and her sisters were given the challenge to memorise all of Luke 2 before Christmas for a grand prize. One verse a week for 52 weeks. She told me today that she is ahead.

**Jocelyn (8)** has a friend at karate that she has been asking to come to church. She always says she will ask her parents, but it hasn't stop Jocelyn from continually asking each week.

**Gracelyn (6)** lost two teeth in two days. Before you think it, it wasn't Oliver. She just managed to tug at one tooth for a week until it gave way for the other to come loose. She lost it tonight during karate class. Once again, no one punched her.

**Richard III (4)** is attempting to collect every kind of stuffed animal he can. Earning points in chores and begging Sarah every chance he gets. He and Oliver recently had a church service with all the stuffed animals lined up on their bunk bed. He has an active imagination.

**Oliver (2)** is starting to spout out certain words clearly. The one we hear the most is “all done.” We've also learned to react fast to those words because things start flying if we don't. He also uses this phrase after colouring repeated circles on the walls.

## Closing

Thank you so much for your continued prayer and support for our family and ministry. We finished videoing for the presentation, but still working on edits to make it presentable. God has done so much for us over the past years and we can't wait to show you! This is fruit that abounds to your account. Thank you!

In Christ,  
The Demastus Family