

# THE DEMASTUS FAMILY CHURCH PLANTERS IN SCOTLAND



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

Romans 10:14



## March

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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.
- Mothering Sunday on 15th March
- Easter Service on 5th April
- Missions Group coming April 11th-18th

## Greeting

Dear Fellow Labourers,

“And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.” (Galatians 6:9) Examining all of God's blessings the past month, year, and almost 9 years of ministry in Scotland. All I can say is God keeps His promises.

## Ministry News

February and March tend to be slower months due to intense weather and shorter days, but with this new building and area of ministry, we've had an influx of new families, going over to their houses, and meeting people in coffee shops to connect. We've truly enjoyed getting asked “tough” questions and hearing how God has led people to Open Door Baptist Church. Many have simply watched how churches have become a performance and have allowed false teaching to creep in under the guise of innovation and new age. They knew they were missing something, and I'm glad directed them our way.

Pray for a lady who is waking up to this reality. Her child's father is not saved, but has been coming regularly to Sunday and Wednesday church. He asks many questions and is learning a lot—but he's still not made a profession of faith. Last Bible Study, folks hung out after the service and talked about the depths of the gospel—Christ's sacrifice, hell and Heaven, and repentance. He was visibly uncomfortable, but still inquiring with more questions. Pray for him to put his trust in Christ for his salvation.

We have enjoyed seeing many families become involved by volunteering to organise the church, clean weekly, and provide maintenance where needed. Myself and others have been working tirelessly with the sound system and camera equipment. The church saved up money to get a good system and I believe it is finally coming together. I have learned so much!

We are working our way through the 10,000 NTs in Westhill. My girls have been eager to join me each week in accomplishing this task.

We have a group from OH coming in April to help us not only complete this task, but hold a holiday Bible club, and help us reach Westhill with the gospel and point them to a good church in their area. Pray for them as they prepare to come and for us as we get things ready for them. Carehome ministry was an encouragement this

month with more folks joining the singing. It is always good to see Graham. Praying for him as his daughter and son-in-law are in town visiting. Continue to pray for Open Door Baptist Church. We have been increasing with families and are needing more people to volunteer. Some come to every service, more come to at least two services, but most of them only come for one service. We pray for each family, and would love to see each of them become more involved.

## Family

**Sarah** has seen an increase in children attending the midweek service. She invited each family individually and they all responded. It has been a great increase for the adult Bible study also!

**Madelyn (11)** has begun the teenager appetite. Where once she could only eat a small sandwich, she's now looking for the biggest burger on the menu. Yet, she is skin and bones.

**Katelyn (9)** has new glasses with Minecraft frames. The day she got them, she came home and asked to play Minecraft. Oh, the simple life. **Jocelyn (8)** enjoyed our holiday to Manchester. Not the 6hrs there and 6hrs back, but being able to connect with missionary kids at the event.

**Gracelyn (6)** has been improving on her speech. To hold a conversation used to be minimal, but now she can articulate a complete thought. She has a lot to say.

**Richard III (4)** is our reasoner. As I write this letter, he is reasoning with Sarah about why we need to go back to Manchester so he can get more stuffed animals. He left one and has been asking daily if it was sent to us yet.

**Oliver (2)** was so cute in Manchester Trafford Centre. Walking into the mall, he kept saying “oooo” “woow” and “ohhhh.” We were there for 5 days and he never got tired of what he saw.

## Closing

We are thankful for your prayers and support for us. The church plant has been going well and we are excited about these new opportunities. We have enjoyed seeing new families weekly, but we would love to see them return and make it their home.

“And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.” (Galatians 6:9) Continuing to hold to this promise.

In Christ,  
The Demastus Family