

THE DEMASTUS FAMILY CHURCH PLANTERS IN SCOTLAND



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Prayer Request

- Souls to be saved, baptized, and discipled.
- 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 and the Torry care home singspiration.
- Evangelism/relationships at karate & music lessons.
- 10,000 NT campaign for 2025-2026.
- New ministries and opportunities in the new facility in Westhill.
- Mum's toddler book group on Wednesday mornings.
- Bereavement support group starting on 23rd May
- Choir starting back up again
- Neighbourhood Bible Time the 20th-24th July

Greeting

Dear Fellow Labourers,

It never ceases to amaze me the blessings of God upon us. When I look back over a month of family and ministry, I see God's hand in it all.

Ministry News

Since the Bible clubs in the park, we've been active making visits and responding to evangelistic connections. We had a couple visit the following Sunday with many questions about the church. As I visited them to talk about it, they shared with me their salvation testimony, but noted they'd never been baptised. Their only request was to not have it in the North Sea or River Dee.. so hot tub it is.

A young man who was saved 6 weeks ago, has been coming faithfully to church. He recently accepted the invitation for one-on-one discipleship with me. He has grown so much over these few weeks. He is also ready for baptism and has no preference what body of water to do it in.

Sarah has added two discipleships to her schedule as well. One coming out of a charismatic background and the other saved from a JW background. It has made for some lengthy conversations, yet, centred on Christ, they always see truth revealed through Scripture. They are eager to learn.

We started a Mum's & toddler book group on Wednesday mornings. This has been a great group to encourage mums to focus on Christ and to make their foundation on the Word of God and the principals that are within it.

The Torry Care Home volunteers have been growing. The new couple that visited in April came along and he brought his guitar to play as well. Graham is doing well and was in great spirit when we were there.

A young couple in our church had to move to Edinburgh this past week for work. They were in our church for a few years, were discipled, helped in kids classes and holiday Bible clubs, and he drove the bus to pick up families. We found them a likeminded church to attend and pray they will be just as involved there.

The Sunday we announced their departure, I mentioned all the ways they were involved. After the service, I had families approach me to help fill the gaps that were made by them leaving. I wasn't anticipating that, but God knew exactly

what was needed and took care of us. Maybe their departure was exactly the motivation others needed? Either way, I'm glad I serve a God who knows tomorrow and works all things together for good to those who love Him and do His will. He gets all the glory and praise!

Family

Sarah's SU group continues to grow. She had 17 in her class last week with more anticipating to come. Since school is soon to come to a close on 3rd July, she is praying the Lord will work on their hearts to want to come to church as well.

Madelyn (11) has been working hard on learning the violin. She played "Sweet By And By" during congregational singing last Sunday and did a great job. She plans to be more active.

Katelyn (9) has made a friend at church recently. When they first met, it seemed like they didn't like each other, even found each other annoying. Now they are best buds for life. Her friend said Katelyn was the sister she always wanted.

Jocelyn (8) and Katelyn will be playing their flutes on "The Lord's My Shepherd" on Sunday during congregational singing. They are practicing now as I type this out.

Gracelyn (6) was arguing with Jocelyn about spider milk the other day. I had to intervene, and went nerd mode to tell her that Toxus magnus are the only ones that produce milk. After my long rant, I found out that she just couldn't pronounce "expired" very well.

Richard III (5) has been a big help around the house. Sarah is underway with spring cleaning, and Richy is always there as what needs done. He realised he gets extra stars for projects and is saving up his points for his own purchase later. **Oliver (2)** enjoys playing with his little people toys. He always has a character calling out for help and someone coming to save the day. My favourite part is when he says, "Nope" and the little person falls anyways with "Ahhhhhh."

Closing

It is never easy when someone moves away or when someone leaves the church; choosing xyz over truth; Regardless, God takes care of His church.

Thank you for your faithfulness in prayer and support for our church and family. This is fruit that abounds to your account.

In Christ,
The Demastus Family