

THE DEMASTUS FAMILY CHURCH PLANTERS IN SCOTLAND

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

Romans 10:14



September

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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.
- New ministries and opportunities in the new facility in Westhill.
- Mum's toddler book group on Wednesday mornings.
- Bereavement support group on 3rd October.
- Church choir's faithfulness
- Neighbourhood Bible Time follow ups and connections.
- Pray for the people in our church who have started discipleship courses.
- Homeschool Co-op at church twice a month.
- Barry Webb Ministries on 13-16 September results
- Missions Month in September - Without Reserve

Greeting

Dear Fellow Labourers,

I write this update after a thunderstorm we had last night. We rarely, if ever, get thunder and lightning, so after being awoken by it, I stayed awake to listen to the wonder of God's creation.

Ministry News

My trip to Switzerland went great! I did something a little different this time and brought my iPad to play two player games with the random person I would sit next to. It was a great icebreaker to get to know each other and present the gospel. They were already hooked on the games, and made room to talk about personal and spiritual things. However, I did sit next to some people who didn't speak English. It worked out to interact with them, but not much conversation happened. After one of my flights, a lady pulled out google translate and told me I was very kind. She told me she was a nervous flyer and the games helped make the flight easier. I only had English tracts, but hopefully she will translate and read it.

My baggage was lost for the first few days, which made me realise how expensive Switzerland is. I was quite the minimalist that week.

The meeting went well with helps and information that we needed, and I got to connect with friends and make new friends with those who came. It was also great to see the scenery, ride the trains and busses, and experience the culture. I even got some souvenirs for the family. Since we are planning our next furlough for Spring/Summer 2027, it made sense that I go by myself this time. However, it would have been so much better with them.

My in-laws came out for a week and were such a blessing. My father-in-law preached the Sunday they were here, and they both got to see the building God has provided for our church. The kids enjoyed having nanna and pops with them, and especially enjoyed the daily gifts.

The start to Missions Month 2026 has been the encouragement our church needed. International Sunday is always our favourite as it gives us a chance to experience different cultural foods and connect with our church families. We had two special speakers for our Apologetics study which challenged each believer. This week we have evangelist Barry and Cheryl Webb with us. It has been great to see families come for each service,

and we pray they bring visitors to hear the gospel over the next couple nights. Do pray for the lost that came out and heard the gospel clearly already. We desire for their eyes to be opened to the truth and to come to Christ.

We still have more speakers coming in for Missions Month. Pray for our church to see the need for local and global outreach and to see an increase in missions giving.

We have seen visitors each week due to signage or receiving a NT in their letterbox. Pray that they return. Also, pray for our church-wide evangelism brunch on 26th September. We will have a devotion and then do outreach in Westhill for our Anniversary Sunday coming up on the 11th. As we observe 8 years as a church, we will have testimonies, food, preaching, and all out celebration over the goodness of God.

Family

Sarah leaves with the church ladies on Thursday for a conference she has set up over the last year. A lot has gone into it, and I pray Sarah and the other ladies attending will be blessed.

Madelyn (12) celebrated her 12th birthday on the 12th. She has become quite a lady. It is sad to see her growing up so fast, but I'm glad she is growing spiritually also.

Katelyn (10) has enjoyed interacting with the puppets and preaching by the Webbs. While everyone else held back, she spoke for everyone. I love her confidence. I hope she never loses it.

Jocelyn (8) and Katelyn played a flute special a few weeks back on Sunday. Bill is so proud of how far they have come in such a short time.

Gracelyn's (7) brought her guitar to Carehome ministry this month. She can't play yet, but loved being able to join in the joyful noise.

Richard III (5) loved having his nanna around. If there was one kid who was stuck to her all week, it was him. I'm sure nanna loved it also.

Oliver (2) loves his dinosaurs. Yet, there is something he loves just as equally, water. If it is something he can splash in or swim in, he wants it. Sometimes it is nice to have a dino break.

Closing

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. Thank you also for contributing through prayer and support for us. May this fruit about to your account.

In Christ,
The Demastus Family