

Kirkcaldy Social



Three new Christians!

**Plans for European Christian
College**

Update from Cyprus

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MY PERSPECTIVE



Did you think to pray?

*How long has it been since you talked to the Lord,
And told him your hearts hidden secrets?*

Mosie Lister wrote those words – and the hymn that goes with it – back in 1956. Although not a well-known hymn, it is one which we should learn and sing to remind us of our need to pray (it is in *Praise for the Lord*, which a few congregations use and, of course, can be found in *The Paperless Hymnal* for projecting).

Most Christians realise that they don't pray enough. But is prayer a central part of our gathering together as the body of Christ? Notice this glimpse we have of the first Christians.

"Those who accepted his message were baptised, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." (Acts 2:41-42 NIV)

We recognise this list as being important, but could we say that we, in our local assemblies, are *devoted* to these things? Yes, we break bread each week – and rightly so, as we need to remember what Jesus did for us. We make sure there is a lesson delivered in some form or fashion each week. From my observation perhaps spending time in fellowship isn't as frequent as it should be, but what about praying when we come together? Yes, we usually have opening and closing prayers but is a few minutes spent praying together really being *devoted* to prayer?

Many congregations in this country, at least in the past, had a time during worship to pray, and any brother who

wanted to lead in prayer was invited to do so. Again, from observation, these often were haphazard and time was spent waiting on someone to begin rather than having thought through what needed to be brought before God. But at least it was a step in the right direction.

In congregations I've been involved with the need to pray together more has been brought up – and usually by one of the sisters. At one congregation we published a weekly list that could be carried in your pocket that we called "prayer matters" – anyone could request something to be put on that list. On Sunday there would be one prayer during our meeting devoted to praying about those matters, and everyone was encouraged to remember these in prayer through the week.

The need for more prayer together was brought up recently at East Kilbride. In the past we tried having a time of prayer following worship every few weeks but only a few would stay. This past Sunday we devoted our time together to prayer. We sang hymns concerning prayer, we read scriptures dealing with prayer, and we had five prayers centred on areas that we felt needed to be brought before God. All in, we probably spent around thirty minutes in prayer together.

Was it beneficial? Several have expressed how good – and even enjoyable – spending time praying was. Most were amazed at how time quickly went by!

If we truly believe in the power of prayer we need to spend more time praying!

Jon



CONGRATULATIONS!



Samuel Fordjuor

New Christians at Summer Lane!

We rejoice at Summer Lane! **Samuel Fordjuor** and **Naomi Elliott** decided to give their lives to the Lord, being immersed for the forgiveness of their sins. Please keep them in your prayers as they start new lives in Christ.

Trevor Ralph



Naomi Elliott



Liliana Mendy

Another new Christian in Cumbernauld!

The good news keeps coming! On Sunday, 8th March, **Liliana Mendy** was baptised after much studying with her parents, Adama and Paulina. Welcome to the family Lily. Another new sister, another soul saved!

Nicole Barr

The Christian Worker needs a webmaster to keep our website up-to-date. As many rely on the congregation listing it is important that this be properly maintained.

If this is something you could help us with, please contact Trevor:
twilliams195@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you!



Kirkcaldy Social 2026

The Kirkcaldy Social each year is one of the closest things to a family reunion I have experienced amongst Christians. Almost one hundred people gather from across Scotland and even further afield to spend an afternoon together singing, eating, studying God's word, and just enjoying time together. Although it ends about 4.00-4.30 we're lucky if we get out within the hour as there are so many people to spend time with – and even have discussions about scripture.

The Social Day always begins with food, a time to refresh ourselves after driving in and to see people we haven't seen in many months. Following the meal the tables are put away, seats set out, for a time of worship and encouragement, ably introduced by Alan Hughes. During this time we enjoy singing together – and with almost 100 voices it is always a special time to praise God. There are times for people to give a reading, sing a song, or encourage in some other way. This year Ian Davidson from the Motherwell congregation shared some thoughts, many humorous and others to make us think. Solus, a group of Christians from many congregations, presented to two programmes of songs designed to encourage us in our walk with God.

Following a fifteen minute comfort break, we prepared to hear a lesson from God's word. Ian Starrs was the speaker this year and encouraged us to

recognise our reliance on the grace of God in all aspects of life.

After all the appropriate people were thanked, the remainder of the food came out with tea and coffee so people could grab something before they left or take something away with them – and lots of socialising continued.

When I think what heaven will be like I must admit that the Kirkcaldy Social comes to mind – time spent with loved ones who care about each other, singing praises to God, and being encouraged with God's word. What a wonderful time it will be – and is when Christians get together. To top it off, the weather once again was beautiful!

We need times like this! There are opportunities to get together with other Christians – just look at the diary page and we discover we are spoiled for choice! But it won't do us any good unless we go along to be with other Christians.

As we are the family of God, we should cherish moments when we can spend time with our brothers and sisters. What better way to prepare for an eternity together than to get to know each other here!

Jon Galloway



Alan Hughes officiating



Solus encouraging in song



Ian Starrs declaring God's word



Ian Davidson giving his gems of wisdom



CW DIRECTORY UPDATE

MANCHESTER CENTRAL (NEW CONGREGATION)

Number of Christians – 30

Meeting place – 115 Fairfield Street, Manchester City Centre, M12 6EL

Worship time – Sunday, 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Contact: Adetunji (07748 058726)



BRITISH BIBLE SCHOOL NOTES

Coming events

On Thursday, 2nd April, we will complete our latest Online Evening Classes. Since January Patrick Boyns has been leading a study of Ezra-Nehemiah on Monday evenings and Jon Galloway was been examining “In the Beginning”, looking at the first eleven chapters of *Genesis*.

These classes are for anyone who would enjoy spending time in an organised Bible study during the week through Zoom. We realise that not all congregations are able to sustain a mid-week class due to a number of factors – one congregation uses these classes as their mid-week class and either get together in someone's home or they login separately or in small groups. This past session there have been around two dozen from all over the world involved in both classes.

A new round of classes will begin on Monday, 6th April. John Griffiths will be teaching the Monday session while Steve Whitehead will be teaching on Thursday evenings. Steve's classes will be on “The Roman Empire in the New Testament: some famous, infamous, and forgotten Romans”. Both classes begin at 8:00 pm and last for an hour. Login details can be found on the BBS webpage and in our social media. Classes are also recorded and can be found on the BBS YouTube channel.

The British Bible School Charity's Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, 9th


May, beginning at 10.30 am. This will be held at the Christian Fellowship Centre, where the Northampton congregation meets – the British Bible School Library is also housed within their building. We are thankful for all the supporters of the British Bible School and also the Northampton congregation for allowing us the use of their facility. If you have an interest in the work of the school or would like to be involved, come along to learn more of what the BBS is doing.

Several times throughout the year, the British Bible School hosts an online evening lecture. These lectures are not designed to be Bible classes *per se*, but to be on a Bible-related topic that one of the teachers has an interest in that may not be part of the regular teaching.

The latest was on Saturday, 28th March, and looked at “The Legacy of James Wallis”. Jon Galloway led this examination of the life of this Christian leader from the mid-1800s. Although not a person many may be familiar with, he had a great influence in the 1800s in helping congregations throughout this country get started as people were seeking to get back to what they often referred to as “Primitive Christianity”. He was a businessman in Nottingham, served as an elder in the congregation there, was a popular speaker throughout the country, and was the editor of what became known as *The British Millennial Harbinger and Family Magazine*. This lecture was recorded and can be found on the British Bible School YouTube Channel (contact me for a link if you can't find it).

Our next evening lecture is scheduled to be on Saturday, 30th May, 7.30 pm – Steve Whitehead's lecture will be “A funny thing happened on the way to the gallows – the story of Queen Esther”. Join us if you can or watch the recording on YouTube later.

Jon Galloway



**BBS Charity
AGM**

**Saturday, 9th May,
at Christian Fellowship Centre,
Shadowfax Drive, Northampton**

10.30 am

Friends of the Bible School are invited to be part of our Annual General Meeting.



AROUND THE WORLD

CYPRUS

On 17th January, my wife Lydia and I relocated to Nicosia, Cyprus, to support an infant church in the capital. We are joined by two families from the United States: the Parker's were the first of our number to arrive in this place and to begin efforts to spread the good news of Christ. The earliest recorded preaching of the gospel here is recorded in Acts 14. Luke recalls the moment the Holy Spirit called the Antioch brothers to set Paul

(although, Luke opts to refer to him as Saul until he rebukes Elymas in verse 9) and Barnabas apart for the work to which they were called. The Spirit led them to Cyprus.

The island has a rich, but complicated history – a reality that is easily observed in the present. After being granted independence by Great Britain in 1960, Cyprus had to contend with a threat from Turkey. In 1974 Turkish forces invaded the northern part of Cyprus, leaving the island divided by a

UN controlled buffer zone. Indeed, the capital itself is split between the northern Turkish territories and the southern, sovereign Cyprus. Lydia and I live close to the buffer zone, a 'ghost town' of a bygone era, trapped between razor wire and bullet-peppered sandstone. Our sixth-floor flat faces the Kyrenia mountains in the occupied territory; a Turkish flag, twelve football pitches in size, painted on the mountainside is a daily reminder that all this world has to offer is temporary.



We are currently studying with five individuals; two Hindus, two Mormons and a Muslim. Whilst there are efforts in the northern territory, where proclaiming the Lord is outlawed, we are currently focusing our attention in the capital, preaching to the lost in the busy marketplaces of Ledra Street. Please pray for the brethren here in Cyprus and that the good news can be proclaimed in this place without hinderance.

Calum Hill



Around the World

MALAWI

Meet Hopeson Mhango!

He has just started Primary 1 at Ekwendeni Church of Christ Primary School thanks to Derek and Alana Hunter's sponsorship.

If anyone else is interested in sponsoring a child through school in Malawi for as little as £28 a month, please contact Nicole Barr (nicole8barr@gmail.com) or Cumbernauld Church of Christ.

Nicole Barr



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Jerry and Caroline (usually known as Zoobie) Jones are long time servants of Jesus. Jerry comes originally from California. Zoobie originally comes from Liverpool, where she was immersed.

The couple worked with the congregation in Oxford for many years and is known to

many in Britain. Their vision to design and start a Christian-based College that will help younger – or even more mature Christians. If you are interested in this fantastic project please do contact them. Endless possibilities are available.

Trevor

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God's Redemption Plan
SAT . 18TH & SUN 19TH APRIL, 2026
10 AM - 4:00PM
Venue: Monkson Park Community Centre
10 Pimlico Court, off Plaistow Cres
MK10 9PN

Tim Burrow
President of Sunset International Bible Institute


Dale Mannon
Pastor, Sunset USA

Three minute videos by
Tony Coffey

Jesus, Hurry Up
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NOTICES



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CHURCH OF CHRIST DERBY

GOSPEL DAY

2026




God's Redemption Plan

Date: 25th April 2026
Time: 9:30-15:00

VENUE: ST PETERS CHURCH
ST PETERS CHURCHYARD
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STILL GROWING
Faith doesn't stop because life gets busy.



Liverpool Young Adult Fellowship

Speaker - Bro. Jamie Chadburn

1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH

25th April 2026

- Arrival: 9:30am - 10:00am
- Fellowship: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Come as you are. Leave strengthened.

Brandon Church of Christ Ladies Day

Saturday 16th May 2026
10am to 4:30 pm

9 London Road
Brandon
Suffolk
IP27 0EL

God is our Rock and our Role

Contact & RSVP Marie O'Donovan
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DIARY

April

3rd-5th – European Bible Lectureship: “The New Testament Church”. Venue: Jugendherberge Duisburg Sportpark, Kruppstraße 9, Neudorf-Süd, 47055 Duisburg, Germany (near Dusseldorf). Cost: Adult – €75, youth (10-18) – €60, children (6-9) – €40, below 5 – free. Register here: <https://forms.gle/ANp4AexzFdnu6JV27>. Contact: eubiblelectureship@gmail.com or +49 15122 374151.

3rd-6th – IGNITE for Christ Europe for ages 12-30. Venue: De Hoof 18, Netherlands. Cost: €70-115. This event is in English (translations available for some other languages). For more information about the organisation, the event and to get your tickets, check out our website: igniteforchrist.com.

6th – British Bible School evening class: new class led by John Griffiths each Monday, 8.00-9.00 pm, for twelve weeks. Links to join the class can be found on the BBS social media and website: www.britishbibleschool.com.

9th – British Bible School evening class: “The Roman Empire in the New Testament” – new class led by Steve Whitehead, each Thursday, 8.00-9.00 pm, for twelve weeks. Links to join the class can be found on the BBS social media and website: www.britishbibleschool.com.

18th-19th – Milton Keynes: Bible Seminar – “God’s Redemption Plan”, 10.00 am-4.00 pm, at Monkston Park Community Centre, 10 Pimlico Court, Off Plaistow Crescent, Milton Keynes MK10 9PN; speaker: Tim Burrows and Dale Mannon. Contact: Samuel Adorm (s_adorm@yahoo.com).

24th – Liverpool: “Scheme of Redemption” Bible study evening, 6.00 pm, at 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. Contact: Charles Yankiah (cyankiah@hotmail.com or 07359 750645).

25th – Derby: Gospel Weekend – “God’s Redemption”, 9.30 am-3.00 pm. Venue: St Peters churchyard, Derby DE1 1NN. Contact: Paul Hill (paul.h41@outlook.com).

25th – Liverpool: Youth Fellowship – “Still Growing”, 10.00 am-4.00 pm, speaker: Jamie Chadburn. Venue: 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. For further information contact Rexford AB (07538 563751).

May

16th – Milton Keynes: Men’s Leadership Training, 10.00 am-4.00 pm, at Monkston Park Community Centre, 10 Pimlico Court, Off Plaistow Crescent, Milton Keynes MK10 9PN; lessons presented by Patrick Boyns. Contact: Samuel Adorm (s_adorm@yahoo.com).

16th – Brandon: Ladies’ Day – “God is Our Rock Our Role”, 10.00 am-4.30 pm at 9 London Road, Brandon IP27 0EL. Contact & RSVP: Marie O’Donovan (marieodonovan2703@gmail.com or 07545 119486).

23rd – Liverpool: Gospel meeting, 6.30 pm, at 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. Contact: Charles Yankiah (cyankiah@hotmail.com or 07359 750645).

30th – Great Barr (Birmingham): Bible Seminar – “Godly Homes: A Blueprint for Transforming Society”, 12.30-4.00 pm. Speakers: Mike Glover and Kunlie Orekoya. Venue: The Beacon Church Hall, Collingwood Drive, Birmingham B43 7JL. Contact: Sola Adeosun (sola.adeosun@gmail.com).

30th – British Bible School evening lecture by Steve Whitehead: “A funny thing happened on the way to the gallows – the story of Queen Esther”, 7.30 to 8.30 pm on Zoom. Links to join the lecture can be found on the BBS social media and website: www.britishbibleschool.com.

June

6th – Aughton: Ladies’ Day.

13th – Shephed: Fellowship Day – Victory in Christ, speakers: Mark Hill and Trevor Williams. Contact: Stephen Woodcock (stephen.woodcock@hotmail.co.uk).

Diary

20th – Reading: “Song Fest” from 1.00-6.00 pm at the Crescent Resource Centre, Warbler Drive, Lower Earley, Reading, RG6 4HB. Food will be provided, please let us know of any allergies. For enquiries please email: readingchurchofchrist@gmail.com.

20th – Aughton: Young Adults Day, 10.00 am - 4.00 pm (limited accommodation for those who need to say over). Contact: Mike Glover (mike97glover@gmail.com).

27th – Liverpool: Annual All Day Fellowship, 10.00 am- 4.00 pm, at 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. Contact: Charles Yankiah (cyankiah@hotmail.com or 07359 750645).

27th – Bristol: BIBLEFEST2026 – Bible related challenges, activities and quizzes taken from the books of Hebrews and James for all ages (children under 8 years must be accompanied by an adult/guardian). Questions and Passages taken from ESV. Bookings or questions: Jason (07795 560990). Bible Fest 2026 'Timeless' booking form: <https://tinyurl.com/bdcpe59p>

July

3rd-10th – Camp Heatherbell: “More than a name. Venue: Compass Christian Centre, Glenshee. Cost: £195. For more information or to be sent an application, contact: admelbarr@gmail.com.

18th – Ilkeston: Ladies’ Day – “Be Holy”, 10.00 am-4.00 pm, at Adam Street, Ilkeston. Contact: Patty Bullock (07867 793156) or Jennifer Sparks (07526 542565).

24th-26th – European Youth Lectureship: “The Young Shall Grow”, hosted by the Edmonton (London) congregation. Venue: St Mary's Church of England High School, Lieutenant Ellis Way, Cheshunt, EN7 5FB. Ages 18 and above. Speakers: Douglas Attuah, Benjamin Archen, and Calum Hill. Contact: S. Ofori-Dwumah (edmontonchurchofchristuk@gmail.com).

25th – Liverpool: Gospel meeting, 6.30 pm, at 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. Contact: Charles Yankiah (cyankiah@hotmail.com or 07359 750645).

25th – British Bible School evening lecture by Jack Paton, 7.30 to 8.30 pm on Zoom. Links to join the lecture can be found on the BBS social media and website: www.britishbibleschool.com.

August

2nd-7th – British Bible Camp: bookings will open at 12.00 am on 16th February 2026. Camper application form: <https://tinyurl.com/3zs2crk2>. We are currently recruiting volunteer staff (age 18+ – staff dates 1st-8th August). Staff booking form: <https://tinyurl.com/4z6snftb>. Contact: Jason (07795 560990).

30th – Liverpool: Praise and Harmony with Keith Lancaster, 10.00 am, at 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. Contact: Charles Yankiah (cyankiah@hotmail.com or 07359 750645).

September

12th – Newport: Youth Day – 10.30 am-4.30 pm.

18th-20th – British Bible School Autumn Weekend Family Retreat. Venue: Letton Hall, Norfolk. For more information and to book a place visit our website: www.britishbibleschool.com.

26th – Hyvots Bank (Edinburgh): 70th Anniversary (an afternoon of fellowship and thanksgiving) at Faith Mission, 548 Gilmerton Road, Edinburgh. Contact: Helen Kerr (hkerr412@yahoo.co.uk).

26th – British Bible School evening lecture by John Griffiths, 7.30 to 8.30 pm on Zoom. Links to join the lecture can be found on the BBS social media and website: www.britishbibleschool.com.

29th-2nd October – European Vision Workshop in Romania. Venue: 2 Hotel Sir Royal, Bucharest, Romania.

October

24th – Liverpool: Evening of songs, 6.30 pm, at 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. Contact: Charles Yankiah (cyankiah@hotmail.com or 07359 750645).

26th-30th October – British Bible School Residential Study Week at Bassenfell Manor: “The Synoptic Gospels”. Contact: study@britishbibleschool.com.

November

21st – Liverpool: Gospel meeting, 6.30 pm, at 1 Picton Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QH. Contact: Charles Yankiah (cyankiah@hotmail.com or 07359 750645).

28th – British Bible School evening lecture by Mark Hill 7.30 to 8.30 pm on Zoom. Links to join the lecture can be found on the BBS social media and website: www.britishbibleschool.com.

THE FINAL WORD



Yearning for the courts of the Lord

“My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.” (Psalm 84:2)

By the time some will read this article the thrill of the resurrection day, which many call Easter, will be over. Churches of Christ are known for proclaiming the death of Christ every Sunday when we eat bread and drink the fruit of the vine. Those who are Christians will have done this hundreds or even thousands of times. Hopefully every one of those times will have been a privilege and joy. But I know that, for many, it will be a re-run of last week, last month, last year, last decade.

I wonder how many can genuinely say with the psalmist that “my soul yearns and even faints for the courts of the Lord and that my flesh and my heart cry out for the living God”. Do our children rush to get ready to go to Bible class? Will our song leaders have their voices tuned up and prepared to bless the worship with songs that will open the gates of Heaven? Will the preacher be so organised and filled with prayer that he

can share the message of salvation, so that those who hear may feel that they can see into the Holy of Holies? Will the Holy Spirit given to us at the time of our baptism be allowed to enrich our souls that we will want to cry out for the living God? Or do we rush to try to get into the service, flop down on our seats and think – well I’m here let’s get on with things?

A number of years ago I remember talking to a brother who was concerned about his new diary because Sunday was placed at the end of the week, making Monday the first day of the week. But I felt it was much better to have Sunday at the end because after being together with our brothers and sisters on Sunday, everything in the week could lead up to next Sunday through the week.

Being with God’s people, to rejoice in the Lord is the whole point of the coming days. I wanted my soul to be amongst God’s people in the courts of the Lord. I wanted Monday to be a day when I would have a chance of seeing my work companions again, finding out how I could share the gospel with them, discovering how I could pray for them. I wanted the joys of being with my children, friends, brethren during the week so that together we might praise God for his continuing mercies.

How do you see your week? Are you waiting to receive God’s blessings? Are you looking forward to being a blessing to others? Or...?

Gracious God, who has created all things, create in us a clean heart and an expectant joyful spirit, that we may with your loved ones, yearn to be again in the courts of the Lord. Amen

