



## SCOTLAND FOR THE LORD

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On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August, at the Cumbernauld church building, Maurice baptized Norma Pearson, a retired lady (just) who lives alone but near her daughter. We have been holding weekly classes with Norma since we

moved to Perth last year and she has been very regular in attending our worship services during that time. She made her request "...to put my life right with God by changing my lifestyle, be baptised and have my sins forgiven through Jesus" We had just shown her the DVD of "*God's Plan for Redeeming Man*," the fourth lesson, of five, of the Jule Miller 'Visualized Bible Study Series.' We are also started to show this DVD series to our teenage class during our study period of the Wednesday evening Youth Group – with furious note taking on their part.

Scott, our young evangelist in Perth, returned this week (Tuesday) from his report-back time in the USA. The Wednesday evening youth group gave him a rousing welcome on his return – Scott has a tremendous rapport with them.

Another Cumbernauld youth 'graduate,' Brian Buchannan, has been travelling up from Cumbernauld to lend his young people skills and 'energy' in leading them in the games part of the evening. Polly and I, er, supervise – we would be mangled if we actually joined in. So far we have only had to apply two band-aids to grazes and wipe away a few tears. They are a hard lot these Scottish children.



We were guests at the wedding of Joy, daughter of Colin and Jayne Hinde who minister to the small Lomond congregation at Dumbarton – north of Glasgow - and her beau Alistair. Their preparations were for a Sunday afternoon ceremony. Perth is different to all the other congregations in Scotland – we hold our service at

2.30 pm. However, an appeal to three brothers in Christ of the Glenrothes church yielded their happy acceptance to travel up to Perth and conduct the afternoon service there. John Frazer, 'Willie' Stewart and Richard Gilmore were made very welcome and rewarded in the usual way – the ladies provided them with plenty of goodies.



Our weekly studies continue with our 'rural' brethren and friends. Our drives to places like Newtyle are really beautiful as the trees are just starting to move towards their autumn colours. We have often seen cattle and sheep grazing in a field – with wild deer scattered amongst them. In many places the Grey Squirrel has decimated the ranks of the Red

Squirrel – but there seems to be a haven for the smaller Red Squirrels in a wooded area near a bridge over the River Tay.

At the end of this month we are travelling to South Africa for a two week visit. We will be visiting our triplet granddaughters in Durban - Stewart and Bridget's children. The girls will be twelve years old on 30<sup>th</sup> October and it seems a l-o-n-g six years since we have seen them. We will also be attending The Southern Africa Bible College's 50th anniversary lectureship in Benoni - to the east of Johannesburg. It will be wonderful to see and meet up with many of people who were so much part of Maurice's life when he lived in Southern Africa. We will also be responding to an invitation to meet with a small gathering of the Buthelezi family - up in Ulundi, in Zululand. We will be travelling with a west Texan sister in Christ – Vicki Zant – from a well-known farming family of that state.

We are constantly in remembrance of the Elders and brethren of our sponsoring congregation at Hermleigh TX, and our friends and supporters who help and pray for us in the Lord's work here in Perth. May our Lord continue to bless you all.

In the service of Christ  
Maurice and Polly Charlton