



Scotland for the Lord

March/April 2018

Well the snow we had at the beginning of March upset many of our normal studies and youth club as the schools closed and the local authorities struggled to keep the roads clear. They managed to do by the 4th so we were able to hold our church services in North Inch community Campus. The campus also holds a primary and secondary schools. We were also able to check out room alternatives for the HBS (VBS) and Gospel nights that we are organizing in the same building for July. The Campus staff were very helpful with their suggestions.

Our car still manages for us to give transport, to some mobility challenged fellow Christians, to a hospital appointment outside Edinburgh. Then, of course, a cheer-up visit to IKEA for retail therapy, Maurice and Wilson retreated to café for tea. After their ride home again, we went on to our normal study in Newtyle. We also took them to Melton Mowbray to see their new-born granddaughter – before we went on to Coventry to see Maurice's younger sister -- who is not in good health.

We are enjoying taking our teenage girls from the youth club, and who also now attend church services, to different congregations on the Sunday nights. This is so that they can have fellowship and share classes with other young Christians. Their favourite is the Falkirk congregation where a lot of Christian families from other areas come together, as they do not have evening services for themselves.



We were able to ask Robin Vick, of Falkirk, how his father Mitch was doing after his stroke. Mitch is the preacher and an elder from the Stirling church and he was up for visitors. On the following Friday we were able to call on Mitch for a short visit before going on to visit Polly's family at Livingston - and go on to a concert where her granddaughter, Eilidh, was singing a solo. She did very well.

We also had to make a sad journey down to Newcastle to attend the funeral of Maurice's cousin John. It was however nice to meet up with his family and catch up on news.

Back home we took the opportunity to show the DVD "Is Genesis History?"



to some of our teenagers -- they were really interested. Later in the same week we took a group from the youth club to Noah's Ark -- a child play area and go-cart track. They all enjoyed themselves -- and wore us out.



In April we lost a couple of strong men of faith, William (Bill) Pirie from Buckie, and Jack Strachan from Cumbernauld. The turnout for their funerals was immense and many a story was told as we all remembered and celebrated their lives. They will both be missed.

We were also able to attend some of the classes held in Cumbernauld when it did not coincide with our on activities, which we did not have enough time to rearrange. Allen Higher and his wife, Sandra, are a delightful couple from Memphis and his lessons were very interesting and well presented.

Maurice is still battling with his cough and has had several appointments with the doctor. He has been referred for further, invasive tests at the hospital. This of course does not slow him down much, even when advised to by Polly and the doctors.

Again all the support and travelling and teaching that we do would not be possible without all your help and we really appreciate all the prayers and support that you provide. May God continue to bless all of us as we work together for the Lord.

God bless

Maurice and Polly