

SCOTLAND FOR THE LORD JUNE/JULY 2019

Greetings from a warm, wet and humid Scotland. Lightweight clothing and umbrellas seem to satisfy most peoples' clothing needs.

One overflowing reservoir, at Whaley, Derbyshire, is in danger of breaking its dam wall. Most of the village

residents -- living below the dam --have been

evacuated and police are patrolling the streets. Several other reservoirs are also dangerously full. A number of rail routes are closed due to flood washouts at several places. Two Perth brothers, who are building their own boat, have had friendly bantering enquiries asking if either one of them is called Noah.



Pumping water from the reservoir

Scott took our twelve youngsters to the week-long "Heatherbell Camp" on Friday 28th June, and brought them all safely home on the following Friday – albeit tired, and not at their cleanest. On the Thursday before the camp broke up Polly was roped in to collect and deliver another *Transit Van* to the camp site. We enjoyed the Thursday talent show put on by the campers with Maurice taking some of the visitors to their homes in the Glasgow area. Polly stayed overnight to drive the van the next day to its depot and arrived home on our church bus with the campers. Consensus – best camp ever.





Campers' final picture and the chaos of leaving

One of our 'adopted' church daughters from Cumbernauld, Pauline, asked for support while she looked at an apartment she was thinking of moving into. It was a mess – but with a very realistic find in one of the bedroom cupboards, a full sized skeleton. I don't recall any class at S.I.B.I. preparing us for such incidents. Even the attending agent blanched visibly, and he still has the apartment in his 'To Let' portfolio. Some of you may

remember Pauline who, just after her own father had passed on, visiting with us during our studies stay in Lubbock.

Polly's Thursday ladies class is held at the home of Moyra, the widow of Alex Strachan, with several church ladies from the area attending. Moyra, now in her eighties, has given up driving her little pink Fiat 500 and does not get around so easy anymore. She is so happy to be able to offer up her home for the studies.

After our V.B.S in Perth for our youngsters, five of our older Youth Club went with us to Cumbernauld who hosted a series of lessons on 'The God Who Defeats All,' presented by 'Dick' Savage (Army Colonel Rtd.,) from the Mayfair church in Huntsville, Alabama. (It is always uplifting to us to see our young people enjoying the company other young people in this larger other congregation.







V.B.S class then crafts ending with the normal mad games

Over the last few months we have been able to welcome a few older couples who have served the Lord in several countries around the world and have settled in Scotland. Having globe-trotted ourselves in times past we have visited with them give them information about the church meeting places and help them to get settled. Al and Donna Horne (S.A.B.S, in South Africa) may well remember Ken and Judy Kendall-Ball who worked in Port Elizabeth – and the A.I.M. programme at S.I.B.I. for whom they acted as house parents to the A.I.M. students.

One of the joys we have discovered since moving into Perth are the lovely walks, next to the river Tay and how much the parks are used by the residents of Perth. We often take a walk around these parks in the evening, a really nice way to end the day and get some much-needed exercise.

Thanks again for all your support and help in our work in Scotland. In the name of our Saviour Jesus, the Christ.

Maurice & Polly Charlton