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Prayer Request

- Souls to be saved, baptized, and disciplined.
- For our supporting churches.
- For Sarah's outreach with the book study, 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.
- Permanent facility for our church family.
- 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 in the care home after stroke. His son, Bryan, to come to church. Pray for our monthly services to be a blessing.
- Evangelism/relationships at karate lessons.
- Citizenship ceremony on the 8th.
- Anniversary Sunday on 12th October—7 years!
- 10,000 NT campaign for 2025-2026.

Greeting

Dear Fellow Labourers,
God is good all the time! Even when some moments seem overwhelming, God is our only constant. We praise Him for His goodness!

Ministry News

We just received the 10,000 NTs and the church has been busy passing them out door-to-door, in the streets, and to friends and neighbours. In a short few weeks, we've gotten out around 1,500! We are praying for souls to be reached and people to come to ODBC through it.

Missions Month was a blessing! We are thankful for the fellow missionaries who came to speak to our church about the importance of going and giving and the wonderful times of fellowship we had with the international dinner, Bible studies, and evangelism. We look forward to seeing what the giving for this next year will be for the church!

We celebrated Harvest Sunday at the end of the month and took the opportunity to donate to the local food bank and focus on local evangelism in Aberdeen. Oh, how we need more labourers in Scotland!

After our issue at the border with Oliver last month, we recently received the approval for UK citizenship! We have our ceremony on the 8th and are excited about this milestone in our life. The partnership between the USA and UK allows us to have dual citizenship. To the Scots, not only does this solidify us staying, but it also demonstrates our commitment to identify with those in whom we are reaching. We've had multiple visitors come through ODBC in the past weeks. A man came after receiving a tract on the street. It was definitely an encouragement to those who faithfully go out on Friday afternoons to pass out tracts at the university and city centre.

We may have a potential couple in our church to lead the teen department. They've helped teach the class once and are praying about God's will. It would be such a blessing.

Family

Sarah is back to SU in the Countesswells school. They had a meet and greet in the cafeteria this week and made new contacts for the next Friday session.

Madelyn (11) has been acting a bit older

recently. After a morning of schoolwork, she makes a cup of tea to relax. Surprisingly, more tea than milk and lots of honey.

Katelyn (9) is starting to show more responsibility. After visiting the pet store we decided to get some pet zebra finches. At first, she had a nervous breakdown contemplating if she was capable of such a task—"I might forget to give them water!" But she is now happy to have them at home.

Jocelyn (7) and Katelyn began flute lesson this week. Bill, from our church, has offered lessons and we gladly accepted.

Gracelyn (6) has been doing great with her reading. After recognising she had dyslexia, she has finally been catching up to her age.

Richard III (4) and Oliver spent the day with me on Tuesday while the girls had a meet up. We spent the day shopping for more boy toys, such as cars and dinosaurs. At the end of the day Richy said, "Dad, it's great to be a boy." **Oliver (1)** got some new soft Spiderman pjs. When we put them in the laundry basket he pulls them back out because he wants to wear them over and over again.

Building Project

We have not heard a response on the Rosehill House yet. Knowing the council can take a while to respond, we continue in prayer for God's will. We've discovered another property in Ferryhill that used to be an old library. We had to submit special paperwork for this building and hope to hear back soon.

In the meantime, the new owner of the Westhill building offered to allow us to use their building rent free while they prepare their plans for the building. We've submitted our acceptance of the offer on Monday and are praying to hear back soon. Would you pray with us about hearing a reply soon? We would love to be in our own area for our 7th Anniversary on 12th October. I know it sounds too short notice, but everything else is in place to fully occupy the space if granted.

Closing

It has been an extremely busy month, but we thank the Lord for such an active ministry here in Scotland. Thank you for your prayer and support in this endeavour.

In Christ,
The Demastus Family