

Links Together

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“I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever; with my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all generations”

May we be faithful as we seek to serve God in Mid-Ulster as we tell the boys and girls about the God we worship and serve. The next generation needs to hear the glorious message of the Gospel – let us all be committed to the challenge of ensuring every boy and girl, hear the gospel and have the opportunity to respond. May we thank you once again for praying for us and the work that we are involved in. God has been faithful and has been answering your prayers over the past few months.

Summer Report 2011

Apologies if you were at the BBQ in Dungannon Park because this report will be quite similar. It's hard to believe we are at the end of the summer already and the children are back to school again.

5 Day Clubs

We started the summer work with a 5DC in Moneymore PS and had a great reception there; we had an hour with both the KS1 and KS2 children. They listened really well and we had at least 2 teachers with each class so it was good that they were able to be there. There are already 3 schools which have booked 5DC's for next June.

Yvonne Whyllie and her team of helpers did 5DC's in Upperlands and Ballyronan and they had a good reception in those areas. In Ballyronan there was about 18 children in total and a couple of girls



asked very searching questions. Upperlands had about 35 children in total and the children showed keen interest.

We were able to do some teacher training with a group of young people in Stewartstown and they did a 5DC in Moneymore. It was so encouraging to hear of boys and girls, who have never been to church, waiting outside in the rain for the team to arrive keen to hear God's Word.

Holiday Bible Clubs

This year there were 9 churches around the area that used this year's HBC materials; there was also a number who used either materials from other years or their own material. We had the opportunity to teach in a number of the clubs and it was encouraging to see many parents coming along to the Parents' Evenings.

Camps in Portstewart

We had a great 2 weeks at camp, there were 70 at the Junior camp, they heard Bible lessons on the



Junior Camp having a picnic at Watertop Farm.

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life of Daniel and a missionary lesson about a little girl from Haiti. Unfortunately after one of the outings we seemed to pick up a tummy bug and we ended up with some sick children and leaders. We sent some children home on Thursday in order to try and keep the bug from spreading to others and did a big clean of the school on Thursday and again on the Saturday between the two camps. Thankfully we didn't have any sickness during the second week. We had a great team of helpers and they really did very well especially when we had the sickness. It was good to have David Coffey back and he taught the lessons on the life of Peter.

During the first week 2 children trusted the Lord and 1 was helped with questions that she had about her walk with God. During the second week 1 young girl trusted the Lord and 3 who hadn't been walking with God the way they should rededicated their lives to Him. We gave the Inters the opportunity to sign up for QT books and it was so encouraging to be able to see 30 of those books going out last week. Pray they will be used regularly by the young people.

New opportunities and the future

The schools work will start again next week and are thankful for a new after school club at the Howard Primary School in Moygashel for 10 weeks. We are also praying much for an opening to start a new work in the Pomeroy area. Pray for wisdom as we plan, for a suitable location, for volunteers to help run the club and for God to go before us in the months ahead.

We hope to collect and distribute the GNC materials over the next two weeks. Paddy would value your prayers as he goes back to college next week as well.

In closing praise God for all the boys and girls and young people who heard God's Word over the last few months, for safety and the good reception the teams had in the different areas and the young people who trusted the Lord. Continue to pray that God will speak to those who have heard His Word and for those young people who do know Him that they will walk close with God.



'The girls' having a picnic at Carrick-a-rede.

Prayer Requests

- ❖ God would continue to speak to those boys and girls who heard His Word.
- ❖ Help and guidance as we visit Good News Club teachers.
- ❖ SYC and JYC as they start again and meet regularly – pray for boys to attend the JYC.
- ❖ Help in preparation for the school assemblies
- ❖ Paddy as he studies at Bible College.

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