

# PRAYER LETTER

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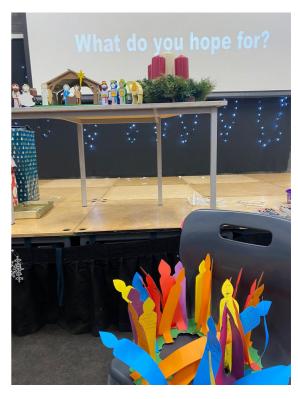
# News from CRAIG



One of the best parts of my job as Glasgow Regional Worker for Scripture Union Scotland is when children and young people are given the opportunity to ask questions. I believe that in order to help children and young people to explore the Bible and respond to the significance of Jesus, then we need to allow them space to ask questions. I'm happy to report that's exactly what we do. Be encouraged and please keep praying for the children and young people in Glasgow that they would continue to ask questions which would lead them to discovering the joy of knowing Jesus!

#### **Christmas Unwrapped | Glasgow**

The Wheel Trust Christmas Unwrapped team visited eight different primary schools. We were delighted to teach the Christmas story of Jesus being born and being among us. Over 400 primary six pupils from the following schools - Anderston, Broomhill, Hillhead, Jordanhill, Scotstoun, St Paul's, Thornwood and Whiteinch attended. The workshop allowed pupils to discover that God sent His Son through a variety of different activities which included, quizzes, drama, craft and story times. We added a new element to the programme this year which was our 'Q&A Christmas Panel' where the children were able to ask any question they had. I was also privileged to help lead Christmas Unwrapped at Dunard and Kingspark Primary schools this year.



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#### **SU Groups | Primary Update**

Since the start of 2024 we've seen an increase in SU Groups across the city. Garrowhill and Jordanhill Primary schools saw their SU Groups start back this term. The SU Group at Jordanhill welcomed 13 pupils to their first meeting. While at Garrowhill SU Group, we had a great start to the term with 16 pupils learning from the Bible as we journey through the 'One Big Story' resource. There are now 11 primary SU Groups in the city. Please pray for Thornwood SU Group which is hoping to start this year.

Please pray more volunteers to help us to continue to run new SU Groups across the city.





### **SU Groups | Secondary Update**

The SU Groups at Bannerman, Cleveden, Hillhead, Hyndland and Smithycroft are all going strong. Here is a quote from the Cleveden Group Leader...

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I hope that a new SU Group will be starting in Eastbank Academy this academic term, please pray that this new group can begin as planned.

## Day of Prayer | Glasgow

It was a joy and a privilege to meet with staff and a faithful volunteer to pray for the work in Glasgow and in particular for the children and young people in the 49 secondary schools and 141 primary schools throughout the city. We gave thanks for the flourishing ministries being run by the two Associate Trusts; Junction 12 and The Wheel Trust. Both trusts are spearheading the work in opposite ends of the city. Thank God for them both and their staff and volunteers.



"Let Glasgow Flourish", registered at the Lyon Court in 1866, is a curtailment of the text inscribed on the bell of the Tron Church cast in 1631 - "Lord let Glasgow flourish through the preaching of thy word and praising thy name.

## **SUpport Squad | A New Game Plan**





In 2024 we would love to see more Glasgow supporters joining the support team. Therefore, we have come up with a new initiative and we are looking to find 25 new supporters, all of who could give as little as £1 up to £25 a month. This is how it works, if you can start giving monthly, anything between £1-£25 then please join us. If we get all 25 places on the squad filled then together we will increase the Glasgow funds by £3,900PA. If you would pray into this and if you feel you could play a part in the new SUpport Squad then please visit my webpage - <a href="mailto:suscotland.org.uk/our-team/craig-morris">suscotland.org.uk/our-team/craig-morris</a> or email me at craig.morris@suscotland.org.uk. Please note £1 & £2 spots are only available to current supporters.

But what if you already give? First of all, thank you for your generous support! The work of SU Scotland in Glasgow couldn't happen without you. But if you would like to increase your giving by any amount ranging from £1-£25 we would be delighted to have you join the new SUpport Squad! Current supporters should contact finance@suscotland.org.uk.



### **Glasgow Weekends 2024**

I'm really looking forward to leading the Glasgow Regional Weekends this year. The Glasgow Secondary Weekend for young people in S1-S6 takes place at Gowanbank between 15 - 17 March. The Glasgow Primary Weekend is taking place on 3 - 5 May again at Gowanbank for children in P5-P7. There will be everything you'd expect at a SU Regional weekend, with lots of activities and Bible teaching. Please pray during these weekends for the Gowanbank staff, the team members and the young people. We hope and pray the weather is suitable to allow us to carry out all that is planned. Bookings are open; visit <a href="https://www.suholidays.org.uk/holidays/events/">www.suholidays.org.uk/holidays/events/</a>

## We Are SU Scotland Glasgow - Alan Scott, Youth Worker, Partick Trinity

**Hi Alan, how long have you volunteered with SU Scotland and what is it that you do as a volunteer?** I have volunteered for 11 years. It all started as part of my job. I'm an SU Holidays Team Leader for GB4 summer camp and also a SU Group team member.

Why do you give of your time to serve with SU Scotland? I attended a few SU camps when I was younger and God used them to get me to where I am today. I value being a part of a bigger Christian community and the support and help that brings.

#### Do you have a favourite story from volunteering?

A young person who I knew through my youthwork came to camp last summer and they were really quite nervous about it all. Then at the end of the week seeing how God had changed them by taking away high levels of anxiety and replacing it with confidence was an amazing example of God's faithfulness in every situation.



# **Prayer Points**

#### **Glasgow Eastercode Workshops**

The Wheel Trust have eight opportunities to deliver their Eastercode workshop to the Primary 7 pupils who attend the schools which we visited for Christmas Unwrapped. Pray for these events which will be taking place during the first two weeks in March.

#### **Glasgow Weekends**

As mentioned, please pray for the staff at Gowanbank, the teams members, the children and young people over the weekends of March 15-17 and May 3-5. Pray that the weather will allow for us to do all that we have planned. Pray specifically for Sarah-Jane as she is the chief cook for both weekend events.

#### **GB4 Summer Camp**

Spaces are going quickly for GB4 which I will be Co-Team Leading with Alan Scott at Gowanbank, July 20-27. Pray that the campers will have a fantastic time and that they will discover the amazing good news of Jesus either for the first time or they would grow in their relationship with Him.

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