

PRAYER DIARY

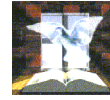
PLEASE PRAY FOR US



2008

- 3rd Feb. Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital 9.15am & Lower Johnshill, Auchlochlan at 7.30pm
4th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
11th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
12th " Walter & Ishbel at Salvation Army, Barrhead at 1.45
14th " Walter & Ishbel at St. Matthew's Nazarene Church, Paisley at 12.30pm
18th " Walter & Ishbel at Lesmahagow Old Parish Church 7.30pm
19th " Walter at Carstairs State Hospital 7pm
20th " Walter & Ishbel Salvation Army, Paisley 2pm
24th " Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital 9.15am
25th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
2nd Mar. Walter & Ishbel at Greenrigg Evangelical Church, Harthill 6.30pm
3rd " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
5th " Walter & Ishbel at Bank House Retirement Home, Lesmahagow 2pm
6th " Walter & Ishbel at Nathanvale Nursing Home, Auchlochlan 3.30pm
10th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
11th " Walter & Ishbel at East Stewart Day centre 1.30pm
16th " Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital 9.15am
17th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
18th " Walter at Carstairs State Hospital 7pm
24th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
25th " Walter & Ishbel at Westcoats Evangelical Church, Cambuslang 1pm
29th " Walter & Ishbel at Shettleston Baptist Church 7pm
31st " Walter & Ishbel at Clarkston Baptist Ladies Meeting 7.30pm
6th April Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital 9.15am
7th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
8th " Walter & Ishbel at Cornerstone Drop-in Centre, Paisley, 12 noon
10th " Walter singing with The Ross Brothers at Church of God, Kilsyth
12th " Walter & Ishbel at Bardowie Street Mission, Glasgow 7pm
14th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
15th " Walter at Carstairs State Hospital 7pm
16th " Walter & Ishbel at United Reformed Church, Barrhead, 2pm
20th " Walter & Ishbel at Bathgate community Church 6.30pm
21st " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm
25th " Walter & Ishbel at Revival FM Concert, Craighalbert Church, Cumbernauld 7.30pm
27th " Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital 9.15am
28th " Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison at 6.30pm

The Prayer diary looks a bit bare for this three months but, on past experience, it won't stay like that - which is why we ask you to pray for us continually. I believe there are specific reasons we have gaps in the diary but since these aren't confirmed I'm still just going on gut feeling. Whatever happens, this is going to be a good year - a year of blessing - a year of new things - and a year of moving on in God.



MINISTRIES

Released to Life

I have come that you may have life, and
that you may have it more abundantly.
John 10:10

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NEWSLETTER

Hi! Well the newsletter is now a month late due to circumstances explained later and I'm getting so upset at always apologising for late newsletters! However, we are working towards resolving that situation as you'll also find out later in the newsletter.

We had a very, very busy lead up to Christmas and we have good news and bad news we'll start with the good news, no it's the best news! At the end of the Christmas Lunch meeting we did at Larbert, a lady got saved but we'll tell you all about that later. But that was just the end to a great year for us - and we just think it the best end ever! That's why we do what we do - we want others to know that you can have a personal relationship with Jesus, that there's a new life for you, an abundant life, a life everlasting, a life of peace - God's peace, a life of being loved with a perfect love.

The bad news was that someone ran into us on Christmas Eve morning. I thought we were ok because we walked away from the accident but once the adrenalin stopped rushing I discovered I was suffering from whiplash and the nerves in my hand were badly damaged. Nerves take a while to heal but I didn't realise just how long! However, I can now do some work on the computer and do some household tasks - although peeling vegetables is still painful and ironing is still out of the question which has resulted in an ironing mountain!! What maddened me most about the accident was that I wasn't able to get to Church for the Carols by Candlelight Service, a service I really love as it just sets me up for Christmas, puts me in the right frame of mind! However, it didn't end there! No, I had to go and pick up the winter sickness bug, which hit me like a ton of bricks! Having listened to my moans, I can also say that God has been using this enforced rest time to speak to me so it is not all bad.

Our computer is really playing up, running slowly - sometimes just giving up! - not doing what I ask of it and generally just being a nuisance and I have been quite frustrated at it at times because when I want to work, it sometimes doesn't want to, but as I have been sitting this morning with thoughts of 'work or you're heading for the dump!' it just dawned on me that my Father God has to put up with behaviour like this from us at times! We run slowly or sometimes just give up and stop running altogether ... the difference between us and Him is that He never sends us to the dump! But I'm sure He must get just as frustrated with us. After all, He loves us so much that he sent his dearly beloved Son to that cross on Calvary to pay the price for us. You'd think we would be so grateful that we'd always trust him, never run slowly far less give up altogether!

I have been on the lookout for a laptop after someone very kindly sent a donation to put towards one and that had to be put on the backburner for a time because of my hand but I hope to have one within the next couple of weeks so that means that I can work on the newsletter, radio programmes etc anywhere I am instead of being limited to the house - and trying to get a turn on the computer too sometimes! This will make a tremendous difference to me and I am really excited about it.

You will see later on in the magazine that Walter is bringing out a new CD that came on really quickly because Walter decided to make use of the time that I couldn't drive etc. to start working on the CD. It is now recorded and once all the artwork is done it will be winging its way to the duplicating plant. More info on the CD is available later in the newsletter and an order form is also enclosed if you want one of the first copies. Walter has included a lot of Golden Oldies on this recording as well as new material.

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Neil Smith is once again organising a concert for Revival FM and taking part will be Deaf Actions and I believe there is another group, but I haven't had the confirmation of that yet, and us. Tickets cost £5 and are available by telephoning Revival FM on 01236 721110. We'd love to see you there. Deaf Actions are just amazing and we love working with them. If you know deaf people then let them know this concert is on because the whole concert will be signed.

Whitby Gospel Music Convention

Walter and I have been invited down to Whitby to take part in this convention run by Paul Wheater, who sounds so like Jim Reeves, and we are really looking forward to the convention – we certainly won't be missing Scottish voices since Ministry in Song, the Gospel Heirs and Michael Marcus are also going to be appearing! Details can be had online at <http://www.paulwheater.com/wgmc2.htm> so if you want a weekend of blessing in beautiful Whitby – get online! Get on the phone 01947 810561! Or get the pen & paper out! W.G.M.C. 24 Eskdaleside, Sleights, Whitby, North Yorkshire YO22 5EP. Whatever method you choose make sure you find out about this special weekend.

Thank you to everyone who supports us in any way whether it be prayer, gifts or encouragement, we appreciate every one of you and value your support greatly.

DREAMS CAN COME TRUE!

When Walter was a youngster his heroes were the popular singing group, The Ross Brothers, and his dream was to sing with them. Well, one member of the Ross Brothers has gone to Glory but Walter is going to be singing with the others at a 'Golden Days' meeting in Kilsyth on the 10th April! He is so looking forward to it. You know this just reminded me of keeping hold of the vision – even when it seems impossible to achieve because nothing, absolutely nothing, is impossible with our God. That goes for our hearts desire, our dreams too – don't lose sight of them, don't give up on them.

LITTLE GEMS

TO SEE BEYOND EARTH'S SHADOWS, LOOK TO CHRIST THE LIGHT.
GOD'S PROMISES ARE GREATER THAN LIFE'S PROBLEMS.
OUR NEEDS CANNOT EXHAUST GOD'S SUPPLY.
PRAISE COMES NATURALLY WHEN YOU COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS.

When the trials of this life make you weary
And your troubles seem too much to bear,
There's a wonderful solace and comfort
In the silent communion of prayer. – *Anon.*

God's Country – Israel

We have, at long last, produced an updated booklet that goes with this Video / DVD so if you have bought a video or DVD with the old booklet and you'd prefer a brand new, easier to read, full colour version with a couple of bits of added info, then just send us a stamped, addressed envelope and we'll send one on to you. I actually enjoyed revamping this booklet and it has given me the desire to watch the DVD again and see all the things I'm telling you about in the booklet!



Walter and I would like to take the opportunity to wish you a happy, blessed Easter. What a time Easter is! A time to reflect on exactly what Jesus did for us on that cross at Calvary, the pain and suffering He endured to pay the price for our sin. I liked this bit of artwork when I saw it because the day Jesus died the sun stopped shining for a time and darkness came on the earth But, just as the sun did shine again, Jesus rose again, hallelujah! And the Son shines brightly for evermore. So Easter is a time for reflection but most of all a time of celebration and thanksgiving for the wonderful gift our Father gave in Jesus.

EXTRA 'S

I am not even going to try and put in the extra's for the past four months because it is too long a period to do catch up on! But one thing I have to mention was when we did the Christmas lunch for a group run by Larbert Pentecostal Church and at the end of the meeting an elderly lady, who had been a churchgoer all her life, realised that she only knew about our Lord and didn't have a personal relationship with Him. It was such a delight to introduce that dear lady to her Lord and Saviour and a joy to know that Christmas 2007 was a special Christmas for her. She was crying, we were crying, everybody else was crying but it was tears of absolute joy! tears of joy are just wonderful! It was a great encouragement to us and we just praise God for this dear lady. That was the best Christmas present ever! You are never too old to come to the Lord – but you could be too late!

On this album, Ishbel and I want to take you on a journey, starting off by stating that God is always God, day and night, 24/7 and the 1st song is **GOD ON THE MOUNTAIN**. The next song is emphasising that the Bible may be old but it is just as relevant today as it ever was – and will continue to be! – **STILL NEW TO ME**. We move on to a testimony song that highlights the importance of reaching out to others – **BY THE WAY**. When you find that friend, Jesus, and stand on the promises in the Bible then you will have victory – **LILY OF THE VALLEY, STANDING ON THE PROMISES & VICTORY IN JESUS**. Then we move on to another testimony song that brings all the previous ones together – **DOWN ON MY KNEES**.

The name of Jesus is powerful and it has been given to us to use for His Glory and so this song, in the central part of the album, focuses on **WHAT A LOVELY NAME** Jesus is. Next we are encouraged to keep on going on, not to give in or give up, because we have a wonderful future in **CANAANLAND**. We are then reminded that one day we'll see Jesus face to face in that place where there will be no more tears of sorrow, our eternal home and **WHAT A DAY THAT WILL BE**. The next two songs – **YOU'RE THE BEST THING** and **WE COME TO WORSHIP YOU** – are praise and worship to a wonderful Lord and set the scene for the final songs.

Sometimes we find it hard to grasp that God really does understand what we're going through or how much He really loves us but this penultimate song addresses both these issues in **I'M A FATHER TOO**. The final song reminds us that if we have repented of our sin, asked Jesus into our life, then we are born again into the family of God and are now Children of the King. We want to leave you singing this song, proclaiming who you are, a Child of God with **ROYAL BLOOD**.

As you see, there are 14 songs on the CD so you have lots of music there to bless you ... and keep you singing! The CD costs £12 and will be available nearer the end of March ... but if you send the order form you can be assured that the day we receive the shipment, your copy will be sent to you.

