

PRAYER DIARY
PLEASE PRAY FOR US



2007

- May 1st Walter at Carstairs State Hospital with Christian Prison Ministries 6.
“ 4th Walter & Ishbel at Whitburn Christian Fellowship 7.30pm
“ 5th Walter & Ishbel at High Street Mission, Glasgow, 7pm
“ 6th Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital with Colin Cuthbert 9.15am
“ 8th Walter & Ishbel at Arran Christian Fellowship, Isle of Arran 7.30pm
“ 10th Walter & Ishbel at Clyde Court Nursing Home, Clydebank, 2.30pm
“ 11th – 12th Walter & Ishbel attending Fire Conference, Birmingham NEC
“ 14th Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison, 7pm
“ 15th Walter at Carstairs State Hospital with Christian Prison Ministries 6.30pm
“ 19th Walter & Ishbel at Barrhead Salvation Army, Country Gospel Evening, 7pm
“ 20th Walter & Ishbel at Bathgate Community Church, 6.30pm
“ 22nd – June 5th On Holiday in Malta! Yippee!
- June 6th Walter & Ishbel at Bank House Retirement Home, Lesmahagow, 7.30pm
“ 7th Walter & Ishbel at Nethanvale Nursing Home, Auchloch, Lesmahagow 3.30pm
“ 10th Walter & Ishbel at Faith Mission, Fort William, 8pm
“ 11th Walter & Ishbel at 'Road to Recovery' Meeting, Fort William, 7.30pm
“ 12th Walter & Ishbel at Church of Scotland Nursing Home, Portree, Isle of Skye, 2.30pm
“ 17th Walter & Ishbel at Skye Bible Church, Portree, 11am
Walter & Ishbel at Kyleakin Christian Fellowship, Church of Scotland, 6pm
“ 18th Walter & Ishbel at Uig Village Hall, Country Gospel Evening, 7.30pm
“ 19th Walter & Ishbel at Home Farm Nursing Home, Portree, 2.30pm
“ 24th Walter & Ishbel at Skye Bible Church, Portree, 11am
Walter & Ishbel at Skye Bible Church, Dunvegan, 6.30pm
- July 2nd Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison 7pm
“ 3rd Walter & Ishbel at East Stewart Day Centre, 1.30pm
“ 8th Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital with Colin Cuthbert, 9.15 am
“ 9th Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison 7pm
“ 16th Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison 7pm
“ 17th Walter at Carstairs State Hospital with Christian Prison Ministries 6.30pm
“ 23rd Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison 7pm
“ 29th Walter & Ishbel at Hartwoodhill Hospital with Colin Cuthbert, 9.15 am
Walter & Ishbel at Lower Johnshill Retirement Home, Auchloch, Lesmahagow, 7.30pm
“ 30th Walter & Ishbel at Shotts Prison 7pm

OUR PROGRAMME 'COUNTRY SOUNDS' AIRS EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING, 7.30PM TO 9.30PM ON 100.8FM REVIVAL RADIO and VIA THE INTERNET THROUGH revival.fm - PLEASE PRAY FOR ISHBEL AS SHE PREPARES THIS PROGRAMME AND THAT THE MESSAGE GOING OVER THE AIRWAVES WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE LISTENERS.

Thank you to everyone who supports us in any way, we appreciate all of you and just pray that God will bless you abundantly with His measure, which is pressed down, shaken together and running over!



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! Yet another newsletter – time just seems to fly in these days. Yes I know that's an age thing!!

Well we have loads to tell you since it has been an exciting time for us since the last newsletter. God has just blessed us so much. So keep reading to hear all the news!

'Eagles Wings', the new CD has been a blessing to many and it's good when you get feedback on a ministry item you have produced – and that is what our CD's are! We don't look on them as entertainment, although we hope they are enjoyed, but we always pray that they will go further than enjoyment and uplift the downhearted, challenge the folk needing challenged, encourage everyone who listens, speak to unsaved and bless everyone in some way.

'Eagles Wings' came about because of our love of the text in Isaiah 40:31 *They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not grow weary; they shall walk and not faint.* What a scripture that is! And when you know a little about that majestic bird, the eagle, then the scripture takes on more meaning. I'm just going to give a couple of pointers here but there is so much more about the eagle that if I told you what I know (and there's far more than that!) then this would be a booklet and not a newsletter! There aren't many things in scripture which the Lord likens both himself and the believer, but He has chosen to liken both himself and us to the Eagle in his Word – but on to the pointers.

First of all, an eagle only spends 10% of its flight time flapping its wings – the other 90% is spent soaring on thermal currents. How wonderful it would be if we only spent 10% of our lives flapping and 90% soaring, rising above our circumstances! Well, the answer to that is in the text – wait on the Lord. That doesn't mean sit back and just wait for the Lord to shout 'Hey Jimmy (or Jenny!) – I'm here now' at you. It means to spend time with Him, building your relationship with Him, because when you begin to realise just how much He loves you and how Mighty He is, then your problems just have to diminish in comparison to His Greatness! Then you can lean into the wind of the Holy Spirit and allow Him to lift you above the storm - you can soar above your circumstances!

Secondly, when an eagle is under attack, it flies to the sun and it is the only bird that can do this. An eagle has an extra lens, which gives it inbuilt sunspecs, so it can fly directly into the sun – how good is God? An eagle's attacker can't see in the glare from the sun and loses sight of its prey. When we are under attack we too should head directly to the Son and be protected by His light.

Thirdly, on the theme of attack - when thunderstorms come, the Mother & Father eagle will spread their wings over the young eaglet in the nest and shelter it from the storm, keeping it safe, warm and dry. Psalm 91 says *'He shall cover you with his feathers and under his wings you shall take refuge'*. God takes care of us too through the storms in our lives.

The new CD has already helped folks to spread their wings and soar a little higher and we pray it will continue to help everyone who listens to it to just draw nearer to our wonderful Father God.

We're off on holiday – a real holiday, no guitar is being allowed on this trip! We are so excited about it But read more of that further on in the newsletter. We're going on holiday for two weeks!!!! We really are!

Our Father God has just blessed us beyond what we could ever imagine. He is truly awesome.

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We're off on Holiday!! Hooray!

We have been blessed by the gift of a holiday and so we are off to Malta for two weeks near the end of May.

This will be our first real holiday in the 22 years we have been married and to say we are looking forward to it is an understatement! We were blessed beyond belief at receiving the money for the holiday, with the specification 'to get away to the sun now', and just feel God's hand is totally upon the whole thing since I really wanted to go for two weeks holiday and the one place that both Walter and I wanted to go to when we compiled our lists was Malta but unfortunately the prices had risen since we had looked. We were passing a travel agents window and saw a week in Malta advertised at a good price so we decided to enquire – and the only problem I had about that was that it wasn't two weeks! When we asked about the holiday, the agent said she was sorry but that holiday wasn't available now disappointment! Then she said she only had two-week holidays available at the special price! Our destination in Malta? – St. Paul's Bay, where Paul landed when he was shipwrecked. We might not be following in the footsteps of Jesus yet but we can follow Paul's journey on Malta!

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Because we are discontinuing audiotapes and videos, we are selling off remaining stocks. You can buy any audiocassette for £4 or three for £10 and there is £2 off each video. All the videos are available in DVD format and will continue to be available in this format. Give us a phone or drop a line.

West Midlands Week Update

We had a wonderful week! From the very start we were blessed with a train journey down which was so comfortable and relaxing – and arrived in Birmingham 2 minutes early!! We were treated like royalty with wonderful hospitality and found the 'Black Country' folk absolutely brilliant with their friendly and down to earth manner. I expected a really built-up area just teeming with people – and yes, in Birmingham you do have that – but just a few miles from there you have lovely countryside too. We had a really busy week and had really good meetings but I have to confess I was a little disappointed that there were no converts that I know of ... but then you don't know what happens later! I know people were ministered to in many ways but I had particularly been hoping to see people receive New Life in Jesus. However, when I was praying about it and asking why that didn't happen I really felt the Lord say it was a 'preparation time'. I don't know if the people were being prepared for something – or we were, but that will have to satisfy me. No doubt I'll find out in due course. One thing that did happen was that God allowed me to break through what seemed like an impenetrable barrier a young Mum put up. That was a heart wrenching experience and after being with that young Mum I just had to go through to the church and sit and cry because I could actually, physically, feel the pain in her. I really cried out to God for her and I am still doing that because that young woman needs intercessory prayer – not just so that she can have a good life but also her two lovely children. If this is touching your heart then please add Bernie to your prayer list. I want that young woman won for the Lord, want her to experience real love and peace in her life. Please, please pray for her. It wasn't all work though, we were taken to Stratford on Avon and that was beautiful, we had a couple of hours in Mary Hill shopping mall ... that was big! We had an Indian meal in the 'curry capital' that was absolutely something else!

We had a very varied programme, which took in all ages, and we were very well received. As I said, people were ministered to in different ways and it was good to get that feedback. Everywhere we went people were asking us to come back again so they must have been blessed! We stayed in a beautiful home with a lovely couple Mike and Janet who were a joy to be with. We were well and truly pampered on this visit! If not by Mike and Janet or Tony and Sheila, it was the people in the church who gave us beautiful meals and restful times. Those of you who are regular readers of the newsletter

know we have a small house but it came home to me how small it was when I realised that our whole ground floor - living room, kitchen hall and stairs - would fit in the bedroom we were in and that even the en-suite was bigger than our kitchen!! Not only that, Mike and Janet had a conservatory – it was lovely to sit in there with a wee cup of tea! Envious? Slightly – till I remembered that one day I'll be going to a mansion specially prepared for me by Jesus Himself – so I can put up with my poky wee house, it's only a temporary address!!

A highlight had to be a visit to 'Cfan', Christ for all Nations Headquarters in UK. We took part in the morning devotions there and then Dr. Tony Stone arranged that we be given a guided tour of the building. That place is a wonderful example of a Christian organisation. You can feel love, peace and joy as soon as you enter the building and since the staff were gearing up for the Full Flame Fire Conference with Reinhard Bonnke and Benny Hinn and the place was jumping, then you can understand the testimony that is. We thoroughly enjoyed meeting the staff and were overwhelmed when Mark, the UK Director, said he wanted to give us tickets for the Conference. We thought we wouldn't be able to go as we had a booking that weekend but when we got home there was a message for us asking which date we were coming to that booking as the secretary had got muddled up! That meant we were able to change the date to the following week with no problem. When God wants you in a place it's amazing how He gets you there! We have the Full Flame Fire Conference and then two weeks later we head off on holiday how good is that!

LITTLE GEMS

OUR NEEDS CANNOT EXHAUST GOD'S SUPPLY.

FACING AN IMPOSSIBILITY GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRUST GOD.

IN PRAYER, GOD HEARS MORE THAN WORDS – HE LISTENS TO YOUR HEART.

A LITTLE SIN ADDS TO YOUR TROUBLES, SUBTRACTS FROM YOUR ENERGY, & MULTIPLIES YOUR DIFFICULTIES.

EXTRA'S

There were a few extra's that were not listed in the Prayer Diary last newsletter. Walter took part in the Easter service at Carstairs State Hospital and also did an Easter Outreach Open Air Service for Harvest Christian Fellowship in Lanark. In April Walter played at a Memorial Service in the State Hospital and a preacher friend of ours asked him to sing at a meeting in Whifflet Evangelical Church where he was preaching. Walter and I also took the service at Miller Hall in Falkirk and had a lovely time with the folks there.

SUMMER

We are only back from holiday four days when we head up to the Isle-of-Skye, stopping off in Fort William for a couple of meetings there on the way. We will be home in the last week of June and will be at home for the full month of July this year and we plan to use that time to do decorating in the house and get the garden in order. In August we will be going to the Isle-Of-Lewis again but that will be in the next newsletter diary.

TRUST

Am I the only one who sometimes finds they start worrying when they should just be trusting? Fortunately, I usually recognise this attack of the devil before worry takes hold but it is annoying! Just this week I passed a petrol station in the morning and by the afternoon the petrol had risen 3p. Well, that was me off ... how are we going to manage, we really need the car to transport the equipment. What about all the voluntary things we do where we don't get expenses what about my shopping – it will have to be restricted to a fortnightly shop, but then I don't have the storage space in my kitchen for that!!!! Praise God, before I got any further He gave me a little nudge and just asked the question "Have I ever failed you?" Enough said!