



From the Minister's Desk

Dear Friends,

Here's a joke: "How many Church of Scotland ministers does it take to change a light-bulb? Change! What is this word, change?" What do you mean, it's not funny?

Change is on the agenda for the Church of Scotland in a big way. That can provoke one of two reactions: first of all, it can make us scared, frightened that something we have known and loved for many years is disappearing; secondly, it can make us excited because we are being forced to consider important questions in a new way and that may lead us to new opportunities for mission and growth. I can understand the first, but hope and pray to have the second!

The spur for change is financial! If we continue doing things in the way we do them now, by 2014 the money will have run out. To pay for all of the ministers and others in the employ of the Church, the Ministries Council is drawing on reserves each year; for 2010 there is a deficit of £5.7m in the budget.

There are two responses: first of all, the stipends and salaries of those who work for the Church were frozen in 2010. Secondly, and much more significantly, a plan has been produced by which the Church will reduce its full-time, paid employees from 1234 at present to 1000 by 2014. At present there are 88 people like me serving Christ and the Church of Scotland in Edinburgh; by 2014, the plan says there must be 74. Lots of people see this as the death-knell for their congregations!

Alongside this financial bullet comes a warning from the General Trustees that we can't afford to keep up all the buildings that we have. At the last meeting of Edinburgh Presbytery in June, we approved 4 items of buildings work; it totalled around £600,000 (from memory), all necessary and laudable work; the question was raised – "how much longer can we afford to keep approving these pieces of work at that level?"

The way in which we so often think about Church is best summed up in a little equation: *A Church = a minister + a building + the people*. In order to be a "proper Church" we need to have all three of these elements in place and where one of them is missing, we are not a

"proper Church", but see ourselves as something less.

Here's a new, changed, equation and it's much simpler: *The Church = the people*. Of course, we need leadership; of course there is a need for a place in which the people can meet. However, the reality is that the Church is the people of God wherever they are to be found. We are the people whom God has blessed and loved in Jesus; we are the people in whom His Spirit lives; we are people whom God has called to serve Him in the community and the world.

Now, you say, we know that; we've heard that so many times before. But have we shaped our view of Church as if we believe it? I'm not sure that we have. Someone said to me not so very long

ago, that one of the things I had done for him in Juniper Green in the last 10 years was to empower him to do things he never thought he'd be able to do. I want to applaud that comment, not because it shows me in a good light, but because it shows me the best reality of Church; I am not here to do everything; I am here to enable you to be the best local church in the world!

Change is inevitable. We can't be part of the denomination that is the Church of Scotland and avoid the pain of budget cuts. Here are some qualities that will be vital for us as a Church:

forward looking – let's not be stuck in the past, but be looking forward, to how things might be in the future, planning well for what will yet be.

flexible – let's not be stuck in the patterns of the past, by which we give the impression that Church can only be done in one way, that people can only function in one way.

faithful – above all, God has called us to be faithful to His Word and to our calling to serve; ultimately, the only thing that really matters is that we are a people who are faithful to our calling, when Jesus said "*Follow me*"

I don't know what the future holds for the Church of Scotland; there's a long journey to make before that is clear. I don't know what the future holds for Juniper Green, but that excites me! God is with us; God is at work amongst us; God is at work when the Church meets in a room above the café and the preacher is in bare feet. This is our God; trust Him for the future of Church and of everything.

Yours sincerely,

**"We are God's house, if we hold on to our courage and the hope of which we boast."
(Hebrews 3:6)**

**Congregational Mission
Statement**

***“Building Christ’s Church in the
Community”***



TREASURER’S REPORT

In July, I received a letter from the Rev. Gordon Jamieson, who is Head of Stewardship of the Church of Scotland. In summary, I note four items from his letter as follows:

General Assembly 2010: There was a recommendation approved that the number of Parish Ministers, Associate Ministers, Deacons and other Presbytery and Parish Workers would need to be reduced. The money received from congregations does not meet the full costs of the present positions and The Ministries Council could no longer afford to subsidise all the posts. It was also reported that the total offerings received from members and adherents in 2009 had decreased by 1.1% - the first decrease for a very long time. However, it was agreed that there is significant potential for more generous giving and plans for a national stewardship campaign would be proposed next year.

Gift Aid: As we have been expecting for some time, from 6th April 2011 the tax recovered on Gift Aid will reduce from 28% to 25%. That means those giving by Gift Aid will not provide the equivalent income to the church unless they increase their giving by 2.4%. Members who are tax payers and who do not give by Gift Aid are encouraged to do so.

Legacies: Legacies provide much needed extra money for the work of the Church. It is realised that this is a sensitive issue but members should be encouraged to think about this method of making a contribution to the finances of their church. Leaflets are available to give you further advice on this subject (contact your Treasurer).

Stewardship Season: Most churches undergo stewardship campaigns every five years or so and they tend to be seen as “one off” events. We should think of stewardship as an ongoing requirement and possibly even

designate a month in every year as our “Stewardship Season.”

As well as receiving letters from the Head of Stewardship, I am also able to learn a lot more about the state of the finances of other churches in and around Edinburgh as I am a member of the Presbytery Finance Committee. Out of 84 churches in the Presbytery, there are 35 that have a greater income than us. It would be good if we could climb up that table a little and, in so doing, be able to do more for our church and for mission. Please consider your Giving, albeit at a time that we all know is financially testing and uncertain.

Finally some words from Matthew Chap. 7 (v. 7-8) ‘Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.’

Douglas Buchanan
Treasurer



**GUILD OF
FRIENDSHIP**

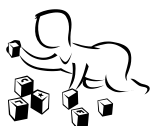
The Guild completed last session with the AGM on 6th May, and we are now looking forward to the 2010-1011 session, which starts on Thursday 9th September. Our first meeting will be a tea party, when we also hope to hear some impressions of the recent visit to Cambodia, by Sandra and Eric Paulin. Following that we shall meet as usual on alternate Thursdays at 2 pm until 16th December. The programme will be posted on the notice board in Hall 2. We look forward to seeing existing members return, as well as new ones, who will be made very welcome.

In July we saw the installation of a hearing loop in Hall 2, which we hope will be helpful to members, as well as to anyone who is hard of hearing attending meetings in the hall. We are grateful to the church for financial assistance in this venture.

Elaine Wilson

Kids' Church

Kids' Church commences again on Sunday 22nd August. All children from nursery to P& are very welcome to join us for Bible stories, games, crafts and lots of fun and friendship. If you have any queries, please contact Beverley Christy Or Gill Hales



Open Door Cafe and Toddler Group

We would welcome anyone from the church (whatever age) who would like to come along occasionally to help or chat over a cup of tea or coffee. It would be a good opportunity to meet with some of the Mums/carers from our area. At the moment there are about 10 to 12 who attend fairly regularly with babies and or young children.

The group is in hall 1 on Tuesday mornings from 10am until about 12 noon, during school term time.

To find out more please ask myself,
Karen Berry or **Inez Paisley**

CRECHE



Is available from 10.30am every Sunday morning for babies and children up to three years old. Two of our crèche team members will be there to meet you and welcome your little ones. We are in Hall 3. A range of toys is set out for the children to play with in a safe, warm and comfortable environment.

If you have young children and would like to meet our helpers, and find out more about creche, please feel free to pop in on a Sunday morning.

If you would like to be a member of the creche team, it would be great to hear from you.

Aileen Hardie



172nd Pentland Scouts

Summer Camp

We had a fantastic summer camp at Chamboree 2010 – Cheshire's International camp,. There were 4,000 campers. Highlight included – breaking a world record, competing in the “Olympics”, water sports, bouncy castles, a jousting tournament, and many more. Photos from the camp can be seen on the Chamboree website <http://www.chamboree.org.uk> and on our own website <http://www.172scouts.com>

District Camp – September

We will once again be taking part on the Pentland District Camp. This will be at Fordell Firs camp site. We will be taking part in Water Sports at Longcraig, Mountain biking and more.

Scout Night

We meet on Monday nights, Hall 1 from 7:15pm.

Scouts are between the age of 10 ½ and 14 and open to boys or girls.

We have plenty of spaces for anyone that is interested in joining.

Contact Us

Web – <http://www.172scouts.com>



LADIES BADMINTON

We resume after our summer break on Wednesday, 22nd September at 10.00 am in Hall 1.

We are always on the look out for new members and even if you don't play, come along for coffee and a chat. You will be made most welcome. For further information call me on 453 - 4029.

Alison Buchanan



CHURCH LIBRARY

The Church Library is available *every week* in the Church Sanctuary after the Morning Service. There is a wide selection of books/tapes/music cd's for all ages including children. The Nurture Team has recently reviewed the content of the Book Library and there are some 700 books available. There are also some 50 cd's.

The Church Web Site has a copy of the index of books and cd's. The indexes are also available in the Library area.

If you need any assistance on using the Library, please speak to either Ian Aitken or Eleanor Pountain.

Nurture Team

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...."
Colossians 3 vs 16

SAFEGUARDING

At the Session meeting in June it was reported that Inez Paisley had decided to step down as joint co-ordinator for Safeguarding. We have been fortunate since the inception of Child Protection in having Inez working with our congregation, following in a practical manner the various guidelines sent out from the safeguarding office of Church of Scotland.

On a personal level I would like to thank Inez for all the help and reassurance she has given to me in understanding what is involved in Child Protection.

Obviously a replacement for Inez is required; this need is recognised by Session and is being addressed.

If there is any way that I can be of help regarding Safeguarding please get in touch.

Maureen Heathwood



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The team offers support to those suffering loss or bereavement. Their role is not to give advice but to offer support and encouragement to those who wish it. Referrals are received from Mr Dewar.

Christine McBean.



HALLS CLEANING REPORT

Cleaning has gone on as usual during the summer, when our six teams have continued to do sterling work in maintaining a high standard of cleanliness in our halls. At present we have six full teams, but expect to lose at least one member soon, and so if anyone would like to join, please get in touch. The commitment is only a few hours once every six weeks, so please think about it.

Elaine Wilson



FRESH START

Our monthly collections started again on Sunday September 5 with towels.

These collections are so useful, and very much appreciated, so please keep up the good work!

Thanks to all who donated over the summer.

Looking forward to your on-going support.

Marilyn Godon



Happy moments - Praise God
Difficult moments - Seek God
Quiet moments - Worship God
Painful moments - Trust God
Every moment - Thank God



ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The annual golf outing was held on Friday, 20th August at Baberton Golf Club. There were 13 golfers playing in the afternoon and a total of 42 people attended the supper in the clubhouse for a most enjoyable evening.

Apart from a blustery shower of rain at the beginning of the round, the weather was really quite reasonable, however scoring was not too good, no doubt due to the strong westerly wind. John Sharp overcame the conditions to finish in first place and was presented with the Alastair McBean Quaich by Christine McBean. Despite not having played since the last outing, Jim Dewar was second, beating Robin Veitch into third place by virtue of a better inward half. The best lady was Jill Scotland closely followed in second place by Jean Bruce. Special awards were presented to others and very many thanks are due to Ian McBean, Christine McBean, Chas Godon, Ian Gilmour and Bill Blair who donated the prizes. Thanks are also due to Baberton Golf Club for once again providing an exceptionally good supper.

It was good to see some people there for the first time and we hope they will return to join us playing golf and/or at the meal afterwards next year.

It is fully intended to hold the next outing on the equivalent Friday next year (i.e. August 19th). So put it in your diary now!

Douglas Buchanan



Thanks to Stephen Illich (See Genesis 6-8) 09-19-2005

WE WERE TOLD YOU WERE TAKING CREATURES
THAT CAME TO YOU IN PEARS



Ten Years Celebration

On Friday 27th August we celebrated ten years of Jim Dewar's ministry in Juniper Green! The evening started with a fascinating and thought provoking presentation by the Juniper Green group that went to Cambodia. That was followed by some words of appreciation of Mr Dewar's ministry (he'd be embarrassed if they were repeated here) and two presentations to mark the occasion – a certificate commending 10 years as our minister and an envelope containing money for a gift. Next time you are in the manse lounge do make sure you admire the television. Remember to diary August 2025 for the 25 year celebrations – details nearer the time!

Charles R Godon
Session Clerk



CHOIR NOTES

Psalm 118 – *“Give thanks to the Lord for He is good: His love endures for ever.”*

Sunday morning: 10.27am (approx) the Church Choir sing a short chorus as a “call to worship”.

Psalm 46 v 10 *“Be still and know that I am Lord.”*

If you would like to join the choir, a warm welcome is extended – just come along to the church at 9.30am (or nearly!) on a Sunday morning.

Rehearsals for the Christmas Carol Service will begin on October 21st in Hall 2 at 7.30pm. Once again an invitation is extended to anyone who would like to join the choir for this particular service of worship.

Florence Kinnear



SHOEBOXES 2010

In 2009 128,000 filled shoeboxes were sent to many eastern European countries as well as to India and Pakistan. The Head of Fundraising helped with their distribution in India and in one location the church was a small shack that was held together with bits of wood, cardboard and anything that would secure it. "Inside I experienced a real sense of God at work through people with so little. I met a young teenager who has a severe skin condition that led to her family abandoning her due to the embarrassment and the feeling they had been cursed. What a pleasure it was to hand out the boxes to children, teenagers and adults and to see the smiles when they opened them to find such great treasures inside. These treasures seem so small to us; a new hat and scarf, a toothbrush with some toothpaste, a small toy, some soap; but they bring great joy."

We can again help with this most valuable work. During September and October we will be collecting shoeboxes and goods to fill them. Any shoeboxes should be average sized ones so that they are easier to crate and transport and so that it does not appear unfair to those who are receiving smaller boxes.

Here is a list of the goods we have to put in the boxes. As ever try to add one or two bits and pieces when you do your weekly shopping. Things don't have to cost much but make a huge difference to the lives of those who have nothing. Remember you are not expected to buy everything on the list. My "filling squad" will pack the boxes in the correct way. If you do not want to shop or cannot do so, but would like to help this annual appeal by donating some money for either goods or box transportation, then just get it to me and I will do the rest.

Soap/Shampoo (max 250ml)
Face cloth/moist wipes
Deodorant
Moisturising cream
Comb/brush
Sanitary products
Shaving foam/razors
Toothbrush/toothpaste
Hat/scarf
Gloves

Underwear/socks
New make up
Sewing Equipment
Household candles
Screwdrivers/pliers
Kitchen utensils
Pens/pencils/sharpener
Rulers/rubbers
Notepads/colouring books
Small Toy
Sweets (no Choc, loose sweets, lollies or undated bags) 'Best before' March 2011

Last year we filled the huge total of 185 boxes. Let's try to bring as much cheer as we can this Christmas to those who have little or nothing and remember them in your prayers.

Jean Dewar



There was a buzz about the Church buildings at the beginning of August. More than 20 adults were re-living

their schooldays, cutting out shapes, painting, sticking. Then the mission team of 25 people gathered on the Sunday afternoon to decorate the hall and transform it from Hall 1 to Rocky's Plaice. On Monday 9th, 26 children descended on Hall 1 for our summer mission and they had a ball. They learned air guitar – *Layla*, *The Eye of the Tiger* and *Apache* as you've never seen them before. They burst balloons by squeezing one another as tightly as possible – it is hard, but it does work; there are parents who can prove it. Paper aeroplanes were flying everywhere; there were fish games being created and fishing boats being decorated. At the heart of it all, were the great stories from the early church – the ascension, Pentecost, the healing of a lame man, and the stories of Dorcas and Cornelius – and their key words: hope, be filled, faith, love and tell. Parents' night had a great atmosphere about it too, with everyone ready to join in and the photos are in Hall 2 to prove it. The piece de resistance: a wonderful picture of a dove, created out of the hand prints of some 35 children and 25 leaders.

Jim Dewar



Prayer Team News

The team has tried some different initiatives in prayer in recent months. One evening we offered something that those present thought was very lovely. A table was laid out with various objects and people were invited to take an object, study it, feel it, smell it, think about it and consider why they had been drawn to that object and what God might be trying to say to them through the item. Then, only if they wished, they were invited to share why they had been drawn to their chosen object and what thoughts they had about it.

On another occasion we tried an Emmaus Walk from a book called 'Prayers for all Occasions' by David Clowes. The walk was a seated 'walk' through various short scenarios. The leader read short paragraphs from the book as follows:

- Think of someone who lives alone..... This was followed by a few short guiding sentences then a time of silence.
- Think of someone who is weak and easily led astray..... Etc.
- Think of someone whose life is filled by a sense of hopelessness..... Etc.
- Think of someone in a position of leadership in the world..... Etc.
- Think of someone who serves within the life of the church..... Etc.
- Think of someone who shows great concern for others..... Etc.
- Think of those who serve in the police or the fire and ambulance or other rescue services..... Etc.
- Think of someone who has been there for you..... Etc.
- Think of yourself and all that is troubling life for you right now..... Etc.

These guided walks are very lovely but the Prayer Team accepts that those attending could be greater in number. Therefore, we invite you to tell us what sort of prayer events, initiatives, occasions, methods, support you would like and whether, if we meet your need, you would be more directly supportive of times of prayer. Please contact

me or any member of the Prayer Team with your suggestions and comments.

The email prayer system is greatly appreciated and we are pleased by the excellent support it is given by many, many people. I recently purchased a new PC and I think I have transferred successfully all info from my old PC to my new one. If you are on the Prayer Email system and have not had a 'test' email from me then please contact me so that I may check your details as per my email address book. Please send me an email on chasg@blueyonder.co.uk to have details restored or to become a member of the Email Prayer Group.

Charles R Godon, Prayer Team Leader
Team members - Richie Adams; Greg McIntosh; Eleanor Pountain; Diane Walker-Mackay



CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOPS

The former Wesley Owen Bookshop at 119 George Street has been taken over by The Nationwide Christian

Trust

(www.nationwidechristiantrust.com) which has opened 20 Christian Shops across the UK under the banner "LIVING OASIS". A web site is being set up, www.livingoasis.co.uk, which will along with the shops sell a selection of books, greeting cards, CD's, DVD's, and gifts. It is hoped to incorporate a Coffee Shop in each shop and an area for children.

Also in Edinburgh there is "THE FAITH MISSION" at 548 Gilmerton Road with a shop selling a selection of books, greeting cards, CD's, and some gifts. It also has a Café as part of the Shop premises and ample car parking. The web site, www.faithmission.org, has a facility for ordering books.

Nurture Team



CAMBODIA TRIP

Despite all of the fears and anxieties, plane delays and lost luggage, we arrived in Poipet on July 13th according to plan. We spent the next few days being introduced

to the whole range of work being done by the Cambodian Hope Organization (CHO): School on a mat providing school for children whose parents can't afford to send them to 'real' school; Safe Haven, the place where victims of abuse and trafficking are given a new life in safety; the agricultural projects; the Aids and TB Centres; the Motorbike maintenance project and the sewing projects, where young men and women are taught skills for a year and then are given a micro-loan to help them into a job where they can earn money for themselves.

After a couple of days being tourists at Angkor Wat, the Cambodian World Heritage Site, we then set to work. I spent 3 days teaching Ephesians to a group of pastors and Church leaders who have no other source of training and learning at present; they are hungry to learn, yet without this 3-day conference they would have no other way to learn the bible; they took my teaching away to teach it to their Churches. The rest of the team spent each morning painting a house at Safe Haven so that more vulnerable children could be given a safe place to stay. In the afternoons, some went to help lead *School on a Mat* classes, playing games and teaching Bible stories, while the others went to the Safe Haven School to help with technology classes. On the Thursday morning we all were taken to the School on a Mat Camp: 200 children on their mats in a clearing in the forest: we played games, told them the story of the prodigal son and helped in any way we could. On Friday afternoon, we joined with the CHO staff in their prayer time and their first topic was to give thanks for the hard work of the team from Scotland – most humbling!

What did we achieve?

- 60 pastors and church leaders are equipped to teach Ephesians to their churches, to help them see the greatness and grace of God, to teach

them to be good husbands, good wives, good parents, good children.

- A house was painted that would still be un-painted waiting for CHO staff to take time out from other tasks to do the job.
- Children laughed: one of the CHO workers told us that we made the children laugh for a time, but their parents don't make them laugh and are bad to their children. Can you measure how precious that is? I can't!
- 9 Scottish Christians tasted a needy part of the world at first-hand, lived in a city where the tourists do not stop, and saw what people in that other part of the world face. It is our task to help the rest of the congregation think more globally, because, like it or not, the future of the poor in Cambodia is affected by our choices, our attitudes, our action (or lack of it!)

We met some brilliant people, who are generous, loving, committed, faithful Christians, people who made us feel very humble. They are great people, who pray regularly for us and for our mission. It was a privilege to be with them for two weeks; it is a privilege for us as a Church to be a partner in their work by our regular giving; make that partnership grow by praying for the work of CHO.

James S. Dewar

Leprosy Mission

I would like once again to say *"Thank You"* to the ladies of the Guild of Friendship, and many others, who contribute to the Leprosy Mission with their pennies, tuppences and silver coins. It is absolutely amazing how much money we collect for this worthwhile cause - since the beginning of the year I have sent £219.59 to the Mission! This is a huge amount for the Charity and if you would like to know how the money is spent to help those with leprosy you can read the thank you letters pinned up in Hall 2 under the Guild of Friendship section. Contribution phials are available at the front of the Church for anyone willing to help these unfortunate people. Thank you all.

Sheena Blair



CHRISTIAN ACTION TEAM

Over the last few months work of the Christian Action team has been ticking over quietly. While we acknowledge that every

one of us in the congregation is engaged in their own Christian Action, we do work in some areas in the name of the congregation. Dry goods are collected on a regular basis and taken to Bethany HQ from where they are distributed as needed. Jean Bruce is chief organiser in taking teams to both Fords Road and Davidson House where conversations are enjoyed and games of bingo, cards and scrabble are played with the residents and much enjoyed by both residents and visitors alike.

The next evening for the Care Van team is Friday November when we would value your prayers for our safety, a ready smile when serving and some good conversations. The nights will be much colder and darker by then and the service of providing soup, rolls and hot drinks is of vital importance to some of the city's homeless.

Date for your diary: the next clothes collection will be on **Sunday 31st October** when again any old but decent quality garments will be collected at the church and taken to the Edinburgh Clothing Store. No baby clothes please, but it's a good chance to clear out the wardrobe.

Although as yet I have no dates, I have volunteered a team to cook a meal at the night shelter which is run by Bethany during the winter. The shelter is run for several months during the worst of the winter in different venues around the city (Juniper Green is too far from the city centre to be a venue) and lots of different churches from the city and beyond do the catering on each of the nights, including Christmas day and New Year's day. This means that those who use the shelters will not only have a bed for the night but a hot meal before they settle down to sleep.

Jean Dewar



Sunday morning sermon: 'Jesus Walks on the Water'
Sunday evening sermon: 'Searching for Jesus'



MSM

Sunday 29th August saw the now annual youth led service taken mostly by members of MSM and the Young People's Group. I hope that you enjoyed it and I would

like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who gave up their time to prepare parts for the service.

This term we have decided to do something a bit different for the MSM group, with our first ever weekend away. We've booked a farmhouse near Crieff for the first weekend in October 2010. The plan is to head away for a weekend of fellowship, teaching and learning more about the Bible, as well as a hefty dose of fun and nonsense thrown in. It'd be great if you could join us – cost is £50 for the weekend and spaces are limited, so it's first come first served!

As usual, we will also have a term of activities planned for MSM, we have our typical mix of social events, which are usually held on the second Sunday of every month and our Nights@theFlat, at which we look at various issues surrounding our faith in an informal and comfortable environment and which are held on the last Friday of every month.

If you want further information about MSM, our weekend away or any of our events please see the flyers in the church vestibule, contact Martin Elliot on or visit the MSM Facebook page.



MINISTER'S SERMONS

Did you miss the Minister's Sermon? Did you want to read the sermons from previous Sundays? Were there bits of it that you didn't understand? Go to the Church website at www.igpc.org.uk and follow the link to 'sermons' and you will find them there. Alternatively, get a paper copy of recent sermons from the Church Library.

FAMILY NEWS

WEDDINGS "Love never fails"

- July 31st Jennifer Grieve to Sam Orr,
Newington
- July 31st Liz Thomson to Bill May,
Baberton Mains
- August 7th Claire Hobson to Gordon McKenzie,
Edinburgh
- August 14th Lorna Graham to Grant Morrison,
Dalkeith

FUNERALS "I am the Resurrection and the life"

- June 19th Mr Albert Burnap, Greenhills Care
Centre, Biggar
- June 30th Miss Jean C. Stewart, Kingsknowe
- July 19th Mrs Margaret Leggate, Lorimer
House Nursing Home, Juniper Green
- August 6th Mrs Celia Lawrie, Juniper Green
- August 10th Mr Alexander Graham,
Baberton Mains
- August 16th Mrs Margaret Martin, Braid Hills
Nursing Centre, Edinburgh
- August 31st Miss Sheila Wilson, Cluny Lodge
Nursing Home, Edinburgh

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mrs Flora MacKenzie, Lorimer House Nursing
Home, Juniper Green

Congratulations to

our young folk who have graduated this summer:



Laura Sharp, M.Sc. in Forensic and
Analytical Chemistry

Fiona Dewar, MA in History and
American Studies

Kirsty Dewar, BA in Educational
Studies

Jennifer Grieve, B.Mus. in Performance

Well done to all of them on achieving their
degrees after at least 4 years of hard studying and
good luck with the next stage in their lives as they
go to, or hunt for, jobs in this economically
uncertain world.

and to those who leave School:

Emma Hales to study English Language at
Edinburgh University

Chris Grieve to study Music at Edinburgh
University

Lisa Goldie to study Film & Media Studies with
Marketing at Stirling University

We wish them all well and pray that they will soon
settle into university life and studies.

Congratulations to



Lisa and Julian Donnelly,
Juniper Green, on the birth
of their son, **Fergus James**
on 2nd February.



Marie Peebles, Hailes, who
celebrated her 90th birthday
on 16th April

Flora MacKenzie, Lorimer
House, who celebrated her 90th
birthday on 6th August

Edna Fraser, Kingsknowe, who celebrated
her 92nd birthday on 12th August



**Alison and Douglas
Buchanan**, Juniper
Green, who celebrated
their Ruby Wedding on
7th August.

Thank You

Thank you to all of those who contributed to
my tenth anniversary gift. Chas has already
said that we have bought a new TV with the
money you gave us and we hope to enjoy it a
great deal.

I well remember August 2nd 2000, the night
of my induction; it rained! I committed myself
then to be your minister and that sense of
commitment has certainly not diminished; we
still have work to do. The Church may well
have put me out to pasture by 2025, but who
knows!

JSD

The Winter issue of Church News will be
available on 5th December and contributions,
or any family news, should be sent or given to
Alison Robertson by 21st November.

What's On

Sunday Services: Morning Worship 10:30 am, Sunday@Seven in Hall 2

Sept 1 st	Kirk Session meeting at 7.30pm in Hall 2
Sept 5 th	Morning Service at 10.30am followed by informal communion
Sept 8 th	Church Wednesday in the Church halls.
Sept 16 th	St Margaret's Court service at 10.30am
Sept 19 th	Morning Service conducted by Mr. Charles Godon
Sept 26 th	Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 10.30am Lorimer House service at 3.30pm.
Oct 3 rd	Communion Services at 10.30am and 3.30pm
Oct 6 th	Kirk Session Meeting at 7.30pm
Oct 10 th	Morning service led by Mr Andy Bathgate, Chief Exec SU Scotland
Oct 21 st	St Margaret's Court service at 10.30am
Oct 31 st	Lorimer House service at 3.30pm
Nov 3 rd	Kirk Session meeting at 7.30pm
Nov 7 th	Morning service at 10.30am followed by informal communion service
Nov 14 th	Remembrance Sunday
Nov 18 th	St Margaret's Court Service at 10.30am
Nov 28 th	Lorimer House service at 3.30pm
Dec 1 st	Kirk Session meeting at 7.30pm
Dec 5 th	Morning service at 10.30am followed by informal communion service

Church Wednesday meets every Wednesday at 7pm in Hall 3 for The Prayer Time and thereafter a mixture of Bible Study and other discussion events in Hall 2 at 7.30pm. See the flyer inside *Church News* for fuller details; if you want extra copies they can be found in the vestibule of the Church building.

Sunday@Seven is our evening service in Hall 2 at 7pm from September till June. A mix of contemporary and traditional songs, interactive Bible teaching and prayer, quiet reflection, relating Christian faith to the life of the Church and the community. Do come and join us for a more informal style of worship.

Prayers for Healing take place after the morning service on the third Sunday of each month; we have a list of names of people who are ill and have asked for prayer, there is then a short Bible reading and a prayer in which we include the list of names. It is quite a simple 'service' but many have found this prayer time to be significant.



WHO'S WHO

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Rev James S Dewar
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Beadle	George Anderson
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Kids' Church	Beverley Christy
Ladies Badminton Club	Alison Buchanan
Leprosy Mission	Sheena Blair
Magazine Distribution	Isabel Campbell
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