



We live by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7

Easter in our Schools

What a treat to be asked over and over again to explain the story of Easter to the children in our local schools. Here's a list of the schools we have been invited into for just Easter (that's not including all the other Bible topics we have the privilege of teaching). Nearly all the following are places where we taught classes on Easter or Forgiveness, a couple just had assemblies. *Morecambe Rd, Overton, Moorside, Sandylands, Ellel, Grosvenor Park, Dallas Rd, Scotforth, Torrisholme, Glasson Dock, Over Kellet, Morecambe High, LRGS, LGGS, Silverdale, Lancaster Rd, Ridge and Willow Lane.*

The children wrote a diary of Easter week, pretending they were John. Here's a taster of their amazing work...

THURSDAY: Shocked! At supper Jesus was being so strange. He said, "This bread is my body and this wine is my blood." I didn't know what to do. I could feel a chill coming up my spine. I couldn't believe it was our last supper!

In our lessons and assemblies we've considered John's response. His pride, confusion, shame, sadness and finally complete happiness - a great reminder of our own emotional journey. From the pride of saying we don't need God, to the confusion of realizing Jesus came willingly to die, the shame of knowing our own sin and the sadness of seeing Jesus die in our place to the eventual pure happiness of knowing forgiveness and acceptance. Let's not be afraid to get emotional as we remember the cross. Jesus died for the joy set before him, the joy of welcoming each of us.

Big changes ahead...

Jono is leaving! After Easter we will no longer have our amazing High Schools' worker. Diana and I cannot begin to put into words what this means to our little family. For any of you that know him I am sure you will agree that he is Godly, mature, wise, caring and thoughtful (and that's without mentioning all his talents!).

It's easy to forget his youth and rely on his equal partnership in the gospel. We will miss our friend and will be praying that as God takes him into

new adventures he will be as much a blessing to those he works with as he has been to us. We also continue to uphold Jono's mum Debbie in our prayers, at present being well looked after in the Hospice; and we remember Jono, Amy, Mike & Elspeth as they love and care for her.

So we are looking for someone to fill the gap in networking with our high schools...fancy a job? Please take a look at the advert overleaf, and pray that NISCU is able to find the person God has been preparing for this role. (Debbie)



From Jono...

So the time has come for me to write my final newsletter article. For those that don't know, I am leaving NISCU after Easter to go and work for a local business. My journey with NISCU has seen me come such a long way. When I look back from being a fresh-out-of-school intern back in 2011 to now, so much has changed. Both personally, and in the work. What God has been doing in our schools over the past few years has been such a privilege to be part of, especially having seen so many answers to specific prayers. For example, to see things develop at Morecambe and Heysham High Schools has been amazing and so encouraging.

Thank you to all of you who have supported, and continue to support us. You make this work possible. Whether in prayer, in time and manpower or in finance, every effort really does make a difference. My plea as I move on is that you continue to support NISCU in all of the work that goes on. I have seen, possibly even more than you have, the quality, commitment and holiness of this team, and I really do have a gut instinct that 2016 is going to be a year of growth and development for NISCU. Please do continue to pray for Debbie, Diana and the wider team as they seek a way forward. As for me, I can assure you that this isn't a final goodbye, I will stay connected to this team and this work.

Jono



Creme Egg Quest

A huge well done to the girls at the LGGS CU who organised (alongside Jono and Lou) an event at their school (legacy of the legend Ali Demet) which brought 360 questions about God to be answered and 360 Creme Eggs scooped. Our thanks too to those who stepped up to help the girls including our Jono, Ian Sarginson, Pam Jones, Hannah Wolfenden, Bishop Geoff, Steve Karma and Debbie.

Yet another BIG CHANGE!

We are also sorry to say goodbye to our Chief Officer Deborah Smith. Pray for the trustees as they seek God's guidance. Pray for Deborah as she moves on to work with Carlisle Diocese. Pray for the wider NISCU team as we depend on God in this time of transition.



NISCU are Recruiting!

Christian Schools Worker

To work in High Schools in the North Lancashire area (Lancaster/Morecambe/Heysham/Carnforth)

Up to 32 hours per week, £20,491 p.a. pro rata

Information and Application Form available from admin@niscu.org.uk

Closing date: 31 May 2016
Interview date: 17 June 2016

There is a Genuine Occupational Requirement that the post holder be a Christian.

Prayer at Andy's FIRST FRIDAY in every month (term time).

EVERYONE WELCOME

I I am for coffee

I I. 15am for prayer

I 2 noon for soup

Inglewood, Aldcliffe, LA1 5AR

(past B+Q, alongside canal, fields on right, up the hill into Aldcliffe, 2nd house on the right).

Next meeting: 6 May 2016

Morecambe Group also meeting - email for details.



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MIRACLE MONDAYS SIGN UP FOR YOUR WEEKLY EMAILS

The diary changes every week, therefore it is much more effective for us to send you a short email outlining what we are up to. Please email debbie.green@niscu.org.uk to receive your short weekly, term-time email.

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Regular CUs

Mon	Skerton (Diana) Wray (Margaret) Ellel St John's (Jo) Scotforth (Catherine, Jo, Donna) St Peters, Heysham (Carey) Torrisholme (Hannah) Quernmore (Ali & Catie) Halton (Amy & Paula) LRGS (Ian & Stuart)
Tues	LGGS (Lou) Hornby (Jane) West End (Ruth) Grosvenor Park (Diana)
Wed	Slyne with Hest (Robbyn) Lancaster Rd (Karen) Poulton le Sands (Ann)
Thu	Caton Community (Suzanne & Julie) Dallas Rd (Diana, Mary & Annabelle) Ripley (Sam & Sonja)
Fri	Trumacar (Diana & Rebecca) Central (Ali & Hannah) Caton St Paul's (Julie)

