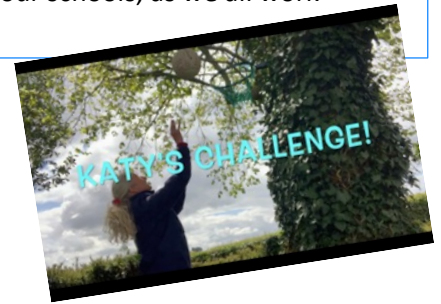
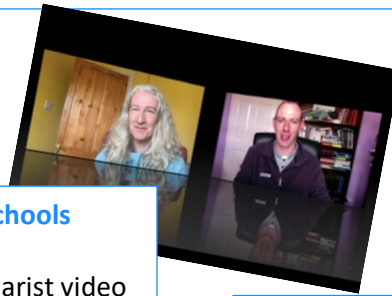




Welcome to the NISCU South Lakes summer newsletter. Our theme is 'connections'. Read about all the creative ways that our schools workers have been able to connect with schools this term. Please connect with NISCU and join us in praying for our schools – more info on page 2. Thank you for all your support through the past year and have a wonderful summer.

**Good connections – a word of encouragement**

“He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its special work, it helps the parts to grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing full of love”. Ephesians 4:16. Connecting to God through it all, He does provide the way to love and serve our schools, as we all work together to our strengths.



**Connecting with our Schools – news from our Schools workers**

- 8 Primary schools – Pentecost, Baptism and Eucharist video lessons and Party bag resources
- 5 Primary schools - 'Moving on' Year 6 lesson face to face
- 3 Primary schools – 'Moving on' Year 6 lesson online
- 1 Primary school – collective worship online
- 1 Secondary school – 'Pause for thought' online platform set up for lunch club students

St Oswald's CE, Old Hutton CE and Crosscrake CE invited us in with the Year 6 'Moving on' lesson and Heron Hill County school chose the online version. More lessons are booked at St Thomas' CE and St Martin's and St Mary's CE Primary school in the next week. This year Debbie Green has skilfully planned a lesson using the bible story of Joseph and the theme of a rollercoaster ride, looking at the ups and downs of Joseph's life. Teachers and Head teachers from across the North-west have helped us record their 'one' piece of advice for the Year 6 children. For those schools unable to invite us in, or book a zoom lesson, we have sent out this video for the Year 6 children.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xpMRg8\\_mFh8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xpMRg8_mFh8) Katy was invited to work as part of the team with Chris Mason (NYC), Rev Shanthy Thompson and Rob McLellan in Staveley CE Primary school for an outdoor Year 6 'Moving on' Scripture Union style session planned and led by Chris packed with drama, games, song and reflection.

Rev Craig Bentley kindly supported us to record a 'pause for thought' video for Secondary schools in our area, which Dallam school offered to share online with young people who have attended our lunch clubs in the past.

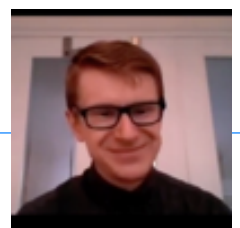
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**Connections moving on - Charlie says goodbye**

After four brilliant years I will be saying goodbye to NISCU and the Furness area. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as a Secondary Schools worker and will miss it hugely. Over the course of the past 18 months I have been discerning what I feel God is calling me to next and having gone through the vocations process with the Church of England, I have been recommended to start training for ordained ministry. This is going to be a whole new challenge but I am firmly of the opinion, where God calls he also equips. Working for NISCU in the Furness area has been great and we have had some amazing opportunities to serve God here. My particular highlights have been the Big Questions groups – listening and answering young people's questions about faith and also our GCSE lessons on Christianity. I would like to thank John Ruskin School, UVHS, Millom School and Dowdales for the warm welcome and the chance for us to serve them and their school community. I would also like to thank you, our wonderful NISCU family, for your encouragement, prayers and unwavering support especially through some challenging times.

I'm looking forward to working alongside NISCU in my new role and can't wait to hear what the team get up to!

Every blessing,  
Charlie



# Vision + Prayer 2021



## An invitation to connect in prayer

Week of vision and prayer kicks off on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July with the 'Hope within' Team day conference 10.30am at niscu.church.online with South Lakes, Craven and Furness zoom vision and prayer meeting following straight on at midday.

Contact Katy for login details if you can join us online after the conference at midday on the Monday, or any other day on zoom, or for prayer walk details. [Katy.hall@niscu.org.uk](mailto:Katy.hall@niscu.org.uk) Please pray for your schools in the different areas on the following days wherever you are and whatever you are doing:



**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July** 2pm prayer walk **Kendal**, Crosthwaite, Grayrigg, Selside, Natland, Old Hutton, Crosscrake and Endmoor

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July** 10am Sedbergh and Dent (details tbc)

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July** 10am **Windermere**, Staveley, Ambleside, Grasmere, Hawkshead and Langdales (details tbc)

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July** 10am Kirkby Lonsdale and Casterton (details tbc)

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July** 10am zoom prayers for Milnthorpe, Storth, Arnside, Burton, Holme, Levens and Beetham.

## Prayers for our Schools

Please continue to pray for God's protection and provision over our school staff and the pupils, for head teachers and their leadership, including Governors.

## Prayers for our Children

Praise God for the Year 6 'Moving on' lessons this term, and the good connections made with children and school staff as we were able to share the North Lancs Disassembly videos with our primary schools.

## Prayers for our Young People

We pray for wisdom and discernment how to serve the Secondary schools from September. Pray also for the young people and NISCU team preparing the next 'Unique' for the autumn term. We pray that this gives more young people across all NISCU areas the opportunity to express and grow their faith.

## Prayers for our Schools workers

Please pray for Charlie as he prepares for the next step in his adventure, and for Diana, Bee and Katy to be refreshed and strengthened, ready to connect with and serve our schools through God's loving guiding grace into the next academic year.

### Support Group:

Alison Hughes (Chair), Pete Barfoot, Chris Norris, Amanda Conner, Mike Hattersley, Rachael Sutherland (Secretary) [rachaelsutherland@icloud.com](mailto:rachaelsutherland@icloud.com)

### Watch this space:

We are making a new video to tell churches and supporters all about NISCU's work. We are very excited about it and it will be available soon...

### Save the date:

South Lakes AGM will be on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September** online. More details on the way very soon.

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