

Part of the Team!

John wrote to Gaius (3 John) to remind him that he was participating in the work of God by providing for and supporting others who were spreading the good news of Jesus. Today all of us have a part to play as "fellow workers for the truth." Thank you for joining with us in this ministry of bringing the truth of God to schools and young people across North Lancashire, and being part of the team!

T.E.A.M

You know that cheesy acronym "Together Everyone Achieves More" - despite its cheesiness, I think it might be true. Within our own North Lancs team we all have very different skills to contribute and I am personally really grateful for the different churches, church leaders and individuals who have contributed to our videos this year so far.

Last term we put together testimonies, by various Christians, about their calling, including a cartoonist, a nurse, a vicar, a youth worker and a CAP worker. This term we made a video asking local Christians who Jesus is to them and the breadth of answers included descriptions of Jesus as Love, Saviour, the Good Shepherd, God and a faithful friend. Our disassemblies continue each week (10 min video assemblies for classrooms) and before half term we visited lots of different churches. Teachers commented that children often don't get to see anywhere beyond their local church, so it was really useful.

Using videos has been an effective way to include more local Christians in our testimonies in schools and I ask you to pray with us that, through seeing all kinds of people worshipping the same God, children will have a deeper understanding of our Christian faith.

Debbie

From Sept 21 to March 22...

We have visited 40 primary schools and 4 high schools, delivering:



143 Primary lessons

61 Primary assemblies

138 Club sessions

Plus getting more than 3000 views on our videos!



Hi, I'm Beth,

I have been volunteering with NISCU for the last few months and have really loved getting to know the team and going into schools with them. They have allowed me to get stuck in and I've learned a lot from them in a short time - they are brilliant at what they do!



In a country that is becoming increasingly closed to Christianity, I have been amazed that NISCU get such great opportunities to directly teach about Jesus and what an amazing Saviour he is. I have loved accompanying Sarah and Diana to primary school clubs and hearing the childrens' questions and thoughts about Jesus. It's also been particularly encouraging going into the Girls' Grammar School with Jonny where we've been discussing what it really means to be a disciple of Jesus; it's clear that these girls are serious about living for Him in a tough environment and it's a privilege to support them in this.

Clubbing Together

It is great that Jam Clubs have been restarting in schools and that we have volunteers to support them. I lead a club at Skerton St Luke's each week and have Beth from Trinity Church as part of the team. At Grosvenor Park, a teacher, Mrs McGurk, joins me, while at St Peter's Heysham, Joan from Heysham Free Methodist, comes along to help. These people are invaluable to help keep these clubs running.

I am also grateful for other members of the niscu team when planning lessons. It is really helpful when we all share our ideas and skills to put together creative and challenging lessons to take in to schools. **Diana**

Crème of the crop

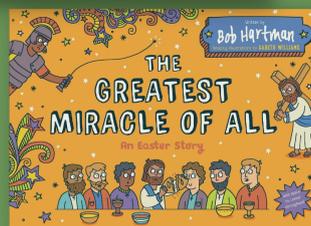
I am very excited this Easter that we will run 3 Crème Egg Quests in our High Schools. What a great opportunity to answer the questions of young people about our faith and bless them with free chocolate (thank you to everyone who has generously donated towards these!) Please pray for all the church leaders and volunteers who will be helping out at these events, that we will present a great show of unity and love as we work together for God's kingdom!

Jonny



Easter Resources...

This Easter every one of the 67 primary schools in our patch has had a delivery of a large poster with 40 ideas to help them engage children with Easter. It includes many of NISCU's video and worksheet resources but also some online animations by other churches and great books we would recommend. We've also included a booklet by the Bible Society which tells the Easter story with accessible language and excellent illustrations. May God use these gifts to bless and enlighten children in our schools.



Prayer Team

Going into schools to do clubs has been a joy this term, especially having Beth along to help, although sometimes our great car chats mean I miss the right turning! It's great for the children to see different adults living out the Christian faith and talking about their experiences. And it's great for us as schools' workers to know we are not going about our work alone. If you pray for us, you are part of the team that goes with us. So even when I do my club at Forton, just me and the children (and God, of course!), I know that I am backed up by people praying before, during and after. This is why the work is so fruitful and the lives of children are being changed.

Sarah

Prayer

Monthly Prayer Meetings:
1st Friday (pm) - Garstang
3rd Thurs (am) - Scotforth

Open Office Prayer Time:
Mon 14th March, 11am

Our annual Week of Vision and Prayer will be w/b 2nd May this year. Watch out for more details of how you can join us in prayer!

For more prayer points and good news stories sign up for our Miracle Monday email!

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