



NORTH LANCS



"He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all—how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?"

ROMANS 8:32

Giving Our All

God has graciously given us so much! More than we could ever deserve! We love to give back by giving our all in serving Him, passing on the good news of God's generosity to children and young people. Read on to hear how we have been/are doing that in schools near you right now!

And then, a big THANK YOU to <u>you</u> for playing your part, in praying for this work, encouraging us, helping out or giving in various ways, we appreciate you so much and we value you as part of this amazing work!

Jonny







The Puppets Are Back!

It was no surprise to the team when I strongly hinted at the return of the Christmas Puppet Roadshow! I was last on the puppet team in 2017 as a NISCU volunteer and I remember the pupil laughter (sometimes so loud you had to pause the script!) and the life-giving atmosphere in those school halls as we creatively, musically retold the Christmas story and its message. If we ever wondered whether schools were keen to have the puppet roadshow back, the following might give us a clue... 18 bookings in one week... a headteacher comment 'this is a treat for me'... email responses to book us that came in a matter of minutes!

The shows start on Wednesday 26th Nov and finish on Thursday 18th Dec.

Christmas is a great opportunity for our work in schools and we (yes the whole team, plus volunteers) will wholeheartedly make the most of it (and develop our biceps in the process!)

Lou

What we need, when we need it!

One of the lessons I have loved doing this term has been Life as a Journey with Year 6 classes. We look at the amazing story of how God led his people through the wilderness and miraculously provided them with food, water, and victory in battle (yes, we re-enact in a small way the battle between Israelites and Amalekites!). Every time, I am challenged to apply it to my own life and remember that God gives us exactly what we need, when we need it and we really can trust Him to provide daily on our own journey to the promised heavenly kingdom. **Sarah**

Everything we do begins in prayer - here are some ways you can support us in it!

Monthly Prayer Meetings:

Garstang, Forton and South Lancaster, contact us for dates & venues. Or talk to us about starting one where you live!

For more prayer points sign up for our Miracle Monday email! Or invite a niscu worker to visit your church or prayer meeting! We would love to come and share!

Niscu Clubs, What Gives?

This term in a couple of our clubs, we have been looking at the 'I am' sayings of Jesus. Across both primary and secondary JAM and Christian Union clubs we have been exploring the person of Jesus as our provider, protector, guide, sustainer, the one who gives life, and ultimately, the one who would lay his life down for his people.

It has been so encouraging to see numbers of both the primary JAM club and the secondary Christian Union increasing and people engaging with Jesus.

Our generous God is often gracious in showing us the fruit of his work through us and this term we have had the joy of seeing children and young people excited to come in and learn more. Just before half term the young people in the Ripley Christian Union were given the opportunity to ask their big questions which sparked good discussion where all were able to contribute and we've seen more young people confident in praying in and for the Christian Union.

In our JAM club, we have had children exploring what they think for themselves about who Jesus is, after hearing the story each week which again has led to good discussions and conversations about their personal reflections and thoughts. Just today one girl in JAM club was telling me that she is getting baptised this week at church which she was very excited about. It opened up a whole other conversation when another girl asked what baptism was and the Head Teacher and I were able to talk about what it meant to be washed clean, to follow Jesus and to want to tell everyone about it!

Who's in the North Lancs team?

Are you wondering who is in the team these days? We've had a few changes in the past couple of years, so here's a quick breakdown of who is in, and how many hours we each do per week.

Also, the latest changes will see Lou drop some hours from December as she takes on some work centrally with Niscu, alongside Nick and Amanda, while Jane, the Niscu Listening Service Manager, will come in to do some schools work to ensure we don't miss out! Plus Diana will be volunteering some time to do a few lessons in schools in Morecambe and Heysham!

Name	Hours
Jonny	20
Abi	20
Sarah	8
Holly	8
Lon	5
Jane	5

Stats from the term!

- Autumn 2025 -

Visits/sessions - 157 Schools - 32 (out of 75)

Assemblies - 26 (in 20 schools)

Clubs - 69 (in 5 schools & 2 churches)

Lessons - 56 (in 14 schools)

Other - 6



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