

"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

Responding to God's generosity

We're coming into a season of giving, and a time when we can remember that our God has graciously given us so much! More than we could ever deserve! In Niscu 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.

We're also so grateful for all that you give in support of this work, through your prayers, actions and financial donations that make this ministry possible. Thank you so much! Please read on to hear what the team have been up to this term!

Jonny



Team Work = Dream Work!

This term it has been great to get to work more closely with Katy, and I've had so much fun delivering lessons and clubs together across the South Lakes area!

One of the biggest achievements of this term has been reestablishing a CU at Kirkbie Kendal School, predominately for the sixth form, although other years are invited and we hope that we will have more folk join us after Christmas. We've been looking at some BIG questions this term, from 'Who is God?' to 'Why is there so much war and suffering?' to 'What is prayer?' and 'Will I go to heaven?' It has been wonderful to be able to get to know these special young people and help answer their questions.

Our primary schools have been brilliant in welcoming us in for lessons and assemblies and I'm loving the busyness and excitement of the Christmas season. I'm excited to be going in to some new schools over the next couple of weeks and starting to develop those relationships with the staff and pupils there.

Overall, I've loved my second term in post with NISCU and I can't wait to see what the rest of the year has in store!

Laura

Prayer Points:

- Give thanks that Katy has recovered from illness and been able to return to her full hours, but please pray for continued health for both Katy and Laura, especially through the winter.
- Pray for continued finance for niscu so that we can keep sending schools workers into schools to tell children the good news of Jesus!

Everything we do begins in prayer!

Look out for niscu prayer meetings in the area, or hold your own! Contact us for more prayer points.

And, if you haven't already, 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!



Giving our all in advent!

I don't know how ready you feel for Christmas, or if like me you are looking forward to Advent more, and the thought of taking time to prepare our hearts. Just thinking of this line from a chorus, "How great is our God. Sing with me, How great!" and the words of many Christmas songs and carols, I am so thankful for God's greatness and what He is doing at the moment in the schools work.

We are taking the Christmas Nativity and Christmas Party lessons into Primary schools, and I have been so encouraged to see how much the children love unpacking the Christmas story with songs, puppets and crocheted figures, games and video clips. They also love talking about some of their Christmas traditions while finding out why Christians celebrate Christmas.

Older students have felt safe enough to bring their Big questions such as one boy in a county school asking "Why is being a Christian a thing?" I have also been really encouraged that staff are so welcoming and thankful for the lessons, with one school replying "Thank you so much for coming, it sounds as though you were very popular with the children and they really enjoyed your lessons. We cannot wait to see you on the 17th!"

So as we prepare to take the first of **nine** Christmas assemblies next week, and continue to take the lessons into schools (including those we know well and new schools to us), please pray for safe travels, good health for us and our families, and that God's message of love through Jesus will reach many ready hearts of children and staff.

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Thank you very much.