

OUR THANKS

We would like to thank everyone for their continued prayerful and practical interest and support for the work during the first part of 2013. Although we are still engaged in consolidation we are also involved in the expansion of the work and we are exploring possible ways in which this can be achieved. If you have any ideas please share them with us.



ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR 2012/13

Our Financial Statement and Report for 28th February 2013 can be viewed on the Charity Commission website www.charitycommission.gov.uk
Charity Number: 267322

Daily Prayer Guide

Sunday

Give thanks to the Lord for His continuing goodness to us here at Emmaus and for the times of encouragement we experience.

Monday

Pray about the future use of the Emmaus building, that the Lord will show us the way forward.

Tuesday

Ask the Lord to bless the launch of our new website that more students will take the opportunity to study the word of God.

Wednesday

Pray for the letters recently sent into many prisons in the UK introducing or reminding Chaplains of our Bible study material.

Thursday

Give thanks for Jean and our team of volunteers who serve the Lord faithfully and keep the work going.

Friday

Pray for Emmaus worldwide in over 125 languages and in 110 countries, that God's word will bring light into darkened lives.

Saturday

Pray for blessing following deputation work done in Northern Ireland and Keswick during the month of July.



By the Way

Emmaus Bible School Newsletter and Prayer Guide
August 2013

'all scripture is given by inspiration of God (God breathed) and is profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.' 2 Timothy 3:16/17

Note: 1. The Origin of Scripture - it is God breathed
2. The Operation of Scripture - it is very profitable
3. The Outcome of Scripture - it produces a complete Christian

The effectiveness of Scripture is seen in that -

1. It teaches us and imparts knowledge
2. It tests us and identifies error
3. It transforms us and improves our condition
4. It trains us and increases Godly living

God's word can and will achieve what it is intended to do, which is why we put so much emphasis on what it has to say.

REPORT OF THE EMMAUS WORK IN SPAIN by Pat Webber

My proposed three weeks in Spain became sixteen days, courtesy of French air controllers. This was disappointing but I knew that God was in control and had some purpose in it.

I was still able to visit each of the three Emmaus centres and have fellowship with the teams there, meeting some folk that I had not met before. I was struck once again by their zeal for the work and their desire to promote the use of the courses.

The work continues to grow, especially in the prisons, and I know they would value your prayers.

Gil Vargas has also been organising the translation of Postal Bible School material into Spanish and I spent quite a lot of time checking the final layouts.

One of my lasting memories is of spending time with gypsy families who came to know the Lord through studying Emmaus courses. They can't learn enough of God's Word and continue to study the courses avidly. They just love to talk about the Lord and His Word. I was blessed and challenged by them and by my whole visit.

OUR WEBSITE

We are pleased to announce that our new website is up and running. If you have not visited it yet please do so at www.emmausuk.com where you will find full details of the courses available including some online courses which we will be adding to from time to time.

There are a number of Bible Study aids for individual or group use. This will also be added to. For those with electronic devices there are apps available provided by Emmaus USA and books for downloading.

EMMAUS PROPERTY

The situation regarding the sale or rental of our building remains the same with no firm offers being made. Ideally we would like to have other Christian organisations to share our premises.

We value your continued prayers in this matter that the Lord will show us what He would have us to do.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Our income for the first four months of this financial year (March 2013 to June 2013) was £13,608 with expenditure for the same period of £12,042. This compares with £24,100 and £18,022 respectively for the same period in 2012.

During the first five months of 2013 we issued 2,450 courses (1,334 general and 1,116 prisons) and received 748 (165 general and 583 prisons) back for marking. This compares with 2908 courses issued in 2012 (1851 general and 769 prisons) and 822 (230 general and 592 prisons) returned for marking.

COMMENTS FROM STUDENTS

Nikki, HMP I would like to thank you for your kind words and support. These books give me inspiration, and my knowledge is growing. My understanding of God's Word help me deal with everyday issues. I still have a long way to go and new challenges to face, but I know now I am never alone but my Saviour is with me.

Keith, HMP Like the book of Genesis that deals with the beginnings I have made new beginnings with the Lord Jesus Christ who saved me from sin by dying on the cross. The new beginning starts with repentance of sins to the Lord our Saviour but it is only when you give your life to Him totally and serve Him that you begin and become a born again Christian.

EMMAUS NORTH EAST CENTRE - Christian Literature Fund Bible Outreach

The Bible Outreach team comprises of seven members, six are based in the North East stretching from north Northumberland to Teesside and one member lives in the South West of England. The work is mainly with students abroad although some of the team help with the marking of courses from students in the UK. UK students are contacts through the "Truth for Today" radio teaching ministry which is broadcast each Lord's Day via Premier Radio. At the end of each radio broadcast copies of radio talks are offered, transcripts and CD's. Included is the offer of Bible courses for the listeners to study the scriptures.

Over recent years the number of foreign Bible students has reduced. Although past students do re-establish contact either by letter or through one of our web sites. In March this year I had a student from Ghana establishing contact again after a break of five and a half years. This length of time is probably a record but 2 and 3 year breaks are not unusual.

Being a member of the Bible Outreach team since 1997, I still have two students from those early days. This is an encouragement in itself but also to see the development spiritually of the students is an even greater encouragement. I might never meet them face to face in this world but it will be such a joy to meet them in glory. As Paul said, "For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For you are our glory and joy." (1 Thessalonians 2:19-20)

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