



Faith Promise in Scotland

The Ardrossan Church of the Nazarene on the west coast of Scotland is almost a New Start Church. A year ago the congregation was fairly small, but since then new people have started to attend on a regular basis and membership has increased. The majority of the congregation are new Nazarenes and know very little about the mission work of the denomination. Monthly mission emphasis services have started, and there is a greater awareness of how our church is fulfilling the Great Commission.

Leading up to Easter, the challenge was given to individuals within the congregation to set a figure that they, with the Lord's help, would give to enable our missionaries to take the message of Easter around the world—monies to be given by December 2009. The district had set our local church a World Evangelism Fund target of £835.00 (US \$1,331); when the response forms were returned the total "promised" was £900.00 (US \$1,435).

The church is also committed to reaching our "Jerusalem;" and in the last 12 months, the following bridges to the community have been built—a community choir, craft club, parent and toddler group, and tea room. Many people have come into the church for the first time or have revisited the church after many years away....

Faith Promise (many places don't know what this is)—challenge, prayer, faith, commitment.

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