



June 2015

KIRK NEWS

Dear Friends

Greetings from your Manse

2015 will certainly go down in the calendar as a memorable year in the life of our congregation. We are all making adjustments to ease in the union between Bellie and Speymouth Churches and most of us are getting better at remembering we are simply one church with two regular places of worship. As the Elders of the Kirk Session begin to work within the new Teams we are also aware that as things settle down we need to communicate the remits and work of the Teams better and wider, and plans are in hand to do that over the autumn.

In the early months of the year the Kirk Session began a Stewardship Conference "Turning Stumbling Blocks into Stepping Stones" with the Stewardship Consultant Fiona Penny. The aim of this is to look at the direction we are to take as a united charge and to make sure we are following God's will as we look to the future. We will continue this conference in the autumn but in the meantime we have been tasked with a number of items.

I am certainly aware that we have stepped on very many stones in the last twelve years and not least in the past six years. Six years ago the folk in Bellie were worshipping in Milne's High School and praying hard that everything would go well with our Re-order. What an amazing amount of things have been achieved in both churches in that time. And best of all we have a flourishing Young Church that is growing (and in need of additional help – speak to the Minister) and we have so much to look forward to.

The title of the Bellie Re-order Project was "Inside Out, Outside In". We were always very clear that what we do within the Church building - our worship, fellowship,



learning and empowering - is done in order that we might serve the community within which we are situated, always mindful that our buildings are here to serve the congregation's purpose as Christ's body on earth, nothing more and nothing less.

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Our Bellie re-order, and most recently our upgrade of the facilities in Speymouth, were done in order that we are able to turn the buildings into ones that truly serve Christ's purposes and fulfil the words he speaks to us all. The Church buildings, where our congregation worship, is where we reach out from and they are also buildings we desire to draw people to. 'Inside' we are determined and faithful followers of Christ. 'Outside' we are Christ's servants to the community.



As part of our Stewardship Conference the Kirk Session was tasked with agreeing a "Tag Line" which will be used to promote the Charge and will appear on all our publicity materials. Reflecting on our mission to facilitate the taking of what we have Inside, Out and welcome those Outside, In." the Kirk Session has now agreed a "Tag Line" which you will commonly see with our new Logo

Bellie and Speymouth Parish Church – Reaching Out, Welcoming In.

We hope you think it is catchy and properly reflects in a few words what Bellie and Speymouth is all about.

For the sharp eyed amongst you, you will have already noticed another change right at the top of the front page. Our new Magazine has been warmly welcomed and the feedback has been very positive. New office equipment has allowed the printing to be done economically 'in-house'. In the first edition of our Magazine our new editor Clare Lambourne asked for suggestions for a new name – a number of people submitted ideas many of the suggestions duplicated. The Kirk Session agreed on the new title **KIRK NEWS** – it's not complicated, it tells you exactly what it is.



(The Kirk Session at the Stewardship Conference)

This summer, I once again pray that all those who need a rest will find one, and those who want to travel will enjoy a wonderful holiday and return safely to us.

God's richest blessing to you and all your care.

Your Minister,

Alison Mehigan

NEWS FROM MORAY PRESBYTERY

It is not often that we report the news from Presbytery but we are pleased to let everyone know that as of late June Miss Margaret King, our retired Deacon, will be the Moderator of the Presbytery of Moray. Margaret will serve for 12 months and as well as 'moderating' the meetings of Presbytery throughout the year she will also undertake a number of activities throughout the whole Presbytery. We wish her every blessing and promise to uphold her in prayer throughout her busy year

TEAM ROMANIA 2015 ISABEL MACLEOD

It is only a few weeks now until the 17-strong team leaves for our Mission Project in Romania. Most of the funding is now in place and the team are making preparations for the different lessons etc. A huge thank you must go to everyone who has supported the efforts made by our team and to all who have donated items for taking with us. The box will remain at the front doors of the churches for a while longer. The main thing we need now is for you to pray for the whole project and all aspects of the work involved. To help you to do this, prayer cards are available in both churches with details of the team members to help you to pray in a general way but also specifically for the members. Prayer really does change things so it is much needed.



This link with the Friendship Camp is the whole Church's project - not just those on the team - and so we are all involved as a congregation. Please continue to pray before and during the mission week and as we travel there and back.

SOUP AND SWEET IN AID OF SARCOMA UK AND ARCHIE FOUNDATION JENNIE CAMERON

On Saturday 20th June from 12 noon to 2 pm I am planning to hold a Soup and Sweet in Bellie Church Hall to raise funds for two charities, Sarcoma.org.uk and The Archie Foundation.

These charities are very close to my heart due to the illness of my Grand daughter Abbie.



Sarcoma UK - A soft tissue sarcoma is a type of cancer that begins in the soft tissues of the body. Soft tissues connect and surround other body structures. Many types of soft tissue exist. Some types are more likely to affect children while others affect mostly adults.

The Archie Foundation – Making the Difference in the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital. The 10 Key Steps of a Child's Journey Through that Hospital are as follows.

The Welcome

Super Staff providing advanced training and specialist staff not available through the NHS

Your Room

Play and Recreation

Your Treatment

Equipment providing life changing and often ground breaking equipment

Parents Accommodation refurbish and update this heavily used and much needed facility;

Family and Friends

Fresh Air

Going Home



These are very worthy charities working for local children and their families who will be most grateful for your support on that day in June.

Rag Bags

Thank for everyone who contributed to the April collection and to say that we raised £138 which will be helping Team Romania. Our next collection is the 26th of June and again this will be for Team Romania.

Meat Free Mondays

The Eco team has been looking further into various issues and one of them has been food. For example we have organised the collecting of food through the church for the Food bank, and we also have raised awareness in the past to Fairtrade. We would like to draw your attention to “Meat Free Mondays”. You can access their site online and it is led by Paul McCartney and his family. There is a catchy tune, information and recipes. All in all it is a good idea and one day in the week is not too demanding to follow. I hope you will consider looking at the site.

The following are two extracts the I took from the site;-
“Help our beautiful planet

According to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the livestock sector is “one of the top two or three most significant contributors to the most serious environmental problems, at every scale from local to global”. The FAO estimates that livestock production is responsible for 14.5 per cent of global greenhouse gas emissions, while other organisations have estimated it could be as much as 51 per cent.

World scientists on the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) agree that we need to reduce the amount of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere by 80 per cent by 2050 in order to avoid catastrophic climate change.”

“UK ‘climate calculator’ highlights benefits of meat free diet



The government has created an online Global Calculator to help people understand how their lifestyles and energy use impact on the climate – and which underlines the importance of eating less meat. The free interactive Department for Energy and Climate Change (DECC) tool can be used by individuals and organisations to explore different options to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.

One of its most significant illustrations is the extent to which high-meat diets are at odds with the drive to limit global temperature rises to the magic 2°C mark, beyond which the effects of climate will accelerate.

Insights from the calculator form the basis a DECC report that states that if the world cut its meat intake to the “healthy” level recommended by the World Health Organisation (160 calories of a daily 2,100 calories) it could save 15 gigatonnes of CO2 in 2050 – a third of all the CO2 emissions in 2011.

[Prosperous Living for the World](#) in 2050 also spells out the extent to which meat-eating contributes to destroying forests, which play an important role in storing carbon. Over the past decade almost 200 million hectares of virgin forests have been felled, partly to create grazing land and to grow feed crops, the report says.

Felling needs to stop and forest areas expand by 5-15 per cent by 2050 to absorb more carbon, it adds, something that – if current population and meat-eating trends continue – is incompatible with an expected rise of 45 per cent in global food demand.

Indeed, if forests are to be protected and expanded then smaller agricultural areas will need to yield 40-60 per cent more crops. Highlighting the bizarre and dangerous mathematics of meat-eating, the Global Calculator shows that on land the size of a football pitch, farmers can raise just 250 kg of beef – or grow 15,000 kg of fruit and vegetables.”

Climate Change Baton Relay

Bellie and Speymouth have signed up for this, more information on Eco-congregation website.

Eco-Congregation Scotland is taking a baton to Paris, to express the demands of churches in Scotland that negotiators agree to a deal that promotes global climate justice. The baton, which will pass around churches in Scotland throughout the summer of 2015, will carry the hopes and aspirations of Christians across Scotland for climate justice to be central to any agreement reached at the conference.

What is happening?

* Greyfriars Recycling of Wood have made a baton for Eco-congregation Scotland from recycled church furniture.

* The baton bears the message Time for Climate Justice: Churches in Scotland Demand a Deal in Paris, December 2015.

* The relay was launched by Aileen McLeod MSP, Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform at our Annual Gathering on 25th of April:

* In December 2015 the baton will be taken to the UN climate change conference in Paris to share our message with other churches and delegates.

See where the baton is going by logging into the Eco-congregation website

You can have a look at the map and calendar of where the baton is going to get an idea of when it will be in your area.



CHRISTIAN AID HELEN MILLS

Christian Aid Week is taking place from 10th -16th May this year. During this week a band of volunteers will be involved in the house to house collections. Throughout Britain this collection raises a very large amount of money to help the poorest of the poor regardless of race or religion. This year some of this will go to helping in Nepal after the devastating earthquake in April. Immediately after the earthquake, Christian Aid sent £50 000 to provide water purification tablets and tarpaulins for shelter.



Thanks to collections through Christian Aid week and others throughout the year, Christian Aid can respond to emergencies immediately. During the first week after the earthquake more than £600 000 was raised for the earthquake with more donations arriving.

Bellie and Speymouth Church raised over £500 from the retiring collection on Sunday 3rd May which has already been forwarded to this appeal.

Thank you for your support for Christian Aid.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE SUBMITTED BY GRACE HENDRY

It is the day of the Sunday School Picnic and the Minister has placed at one end of the buffet table, a large platter laden with lovely red apples and a notice next to it saying - "Take only one apple each, please - remember GOD is watching." Meanwhile at the other end of the table there is another platter laden with chocolate biscuits and one of the Sunday School children has quickly attached a notice next to them - "Take all the biscuits you want - GOD is watching the apples." This did make me smile!



CHURCH AND SOCIETY JOHN MCCONNACHIE

When formulating some of the policies of government, both the Westminster Parliament and the Scottish Government, frequently consult with various bodies. One such body is the Church of Scotland and the Church and Society Council often acts on behalf of the Church in this manner. Thus, in her capacity as Convenor of the Church and Society Council, Rev Sally Foster-Fulton sent messages of congratulation to David Cameron, the Prime Minister and to Nicola Sturgeon, the First Minister for Scotland, on their parties successes in the recent General Election.

However, Sally made clear to both politicians, exactly where the Church stands when she said, 'Running through all that we will do is our calling to follow Jesus, Son of God, Friend of the Poor and Prince of Peace'. Sally made it clear that we will work constructively, along with others but our position is clear, we work for the poor, the disadvantaged and for peace.

Language is important and politicians normally seek to tap into the feelings of the majority. One phrase which has become a favourite of current politicians is 'hard working families' but what message does that phrase give to those, who through redundancy, illness or injury, cannot work? Those of our friends, relatives or acquaintances who have recently lost their jobs in the oil industry 'downsizing' or those perhaps who lost their jobs when the delivery firm Citylink closed down last Christmas, are they no longer 'hard working families' thus are excluded from the political agenda? Also, what message does the phrase 'hard working families' give to those with learning difficulties or those with other disabilities who find themselves almost unemployable? If you hear a politician using phrases such as 'hard working families', challenge them and ask what they mean by such a phrase.

Working for the poor and disadvantaged will not make the Church popular with politicians and some elements of the media but for us, that's just fine. We in the Church try to follow the teachings of Jesus and in the Church and Society Council, we are frequently guided by the question, 'What would Jesus do?' When we ask that question, the answer is usually simple. So here's a simple one for us all in the realms of peace, 'Would Jesus support the possession and potential use of nuclear weapons?' You can answer that one for yourselves.

No one said that following Jesus would be easy.



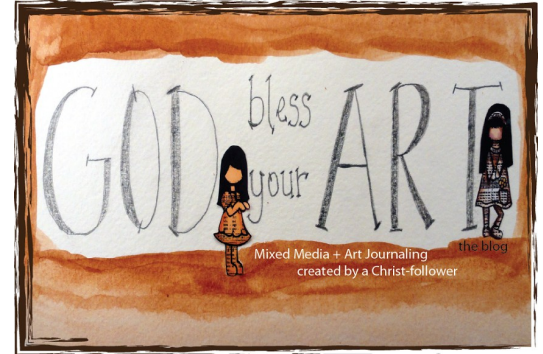
BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION AVRIL C. CLARK

I recently discovered two sites on the internet to do with Bible Art Journaling. I had been interested in art journaling as it is relaxing to just dabble around in a sketchbook or notebook. However since I discovered the Bible Art Journaling sites it has had more relevance to my Christian journey. To be able to follow scripture and take time through art and imagery to focus and meditate on bible passages has been very rewarding.

It doesn't have to involve large quantities of art materials, media like coloured pencils, highlighters, stickers and labels, nothing too complicated. However I couldn't resist getting out the paints for coloured backgrounds.

On the website you can follow the plan that is set out which I did. In this case it was Psalm 119 and we worked through it all of March

There has been a recent phase to do colouring as a relaxing pastime but Bible Art Journaling would be an alternative especially with combining Bible study. The two sites that I have been looking at are "God Bless your Art" and www.godblessyourart.blogspot.com and Rebekah R. Jones www.rebekahrjones.com



BREW AND BLETHER GRACE HENDRY



Thanks for your ongoing support for Blew and Bletcher. I am delighted to report that numbers are rising and our team are looking forward to welcoming you on 5th June and 3rd July. However please note that WE WILL NOT MEET IN AUGUST, but will be back refreshed on 4th September.

I hope that you all have an enjoyable summer.

BELLIE AND SPEYMOOUTH FELLOWSHIP TEAM DENISE BROWN

Many thanks to all who helped at and supported the Spring Sale and Coffee Morning. A total of £1,286 was raised for Church funds. This was our first joint fundraiser and it was good to see members of both Churches working together.

The Quiz Night held in March was quite well supported – there could have been a few more teams, but it was a fun night and a total of £219 was raised for Church funds.

Our next event is a Summer Coffee Morning at Speymouth Hall on Saturday 27th June from 10 – 12 noon. Come along for coffee and freshly made pancakes. There will be the usual stalls and raffle and donations can be brought along in the morning.

Fochabers Gala have asked us to organize Strawberry Teas in Bellie Hall on the Saturday afternoon of Gala Weekend, 25th July. We are looking for helpers to serve teas and if you are able to help please contact Denise Brown or Grace Hendry. A list for helpers will be put out at both Churches a bit nearer the time.

If anyone has any ideas for fundraising or fellowship events please get in touch with any member of the team. We would welcome any new ideas which we could use in the future.

BELLIE AND SPEYMOUTH YOUNG CHURCH

EMMA CAMPBELL

(PHOTOS BY CLARE LAMBOURNE)

Over the last few months Bellie and Speymouth Young Church has embarked on a new exciting journey together following the union. The young people have enjoyed meeting weekly at Bellie Church and have taken part in lots of fun activities, ranging from drama and action songs to creating colourful displays. The younger members have particularly benefited from the fellowship and support of the older teenagers who come each week to help. They are more popular than the leaders!

The Young Church had met at Speymouth during the AGM and the young people had great fun searching for bugs in the Church Garden. Amongst the beetles and ants, a number of special chocolate bugs were found! Although the young church primarily meets in Bellie Church hall, it is hoped that there will be future opportunities to share in the worship of Speymouth. In the meantime activity packs have been developed for any young people attending Speymouth Church.

As part of the union, the young church have embraced new materials called 'spill the beans' in order to share the message of Christ. This has so far been a very positive experience and allows the young church to explore the same spiritual messages as the congregation in church each week.

More recently the children have been investigating the messages of John 1-3. They have enjoyed varied crafts, songs and games to explore the themes. Please take a look at their beautiful display in the hall.

The Young Church hosted a coffee afternoon to raise funds for the Romanian trip. During the afternoon the children took part in a sponsored obstacle course. They had a great time climbing under chairs and scoring goals before they were 'rained off'. They spent the rest of the afternoon playing games and enjoying tasty snacks in the hall. Thanks to all of you who sponsored them they raised a total of £254.

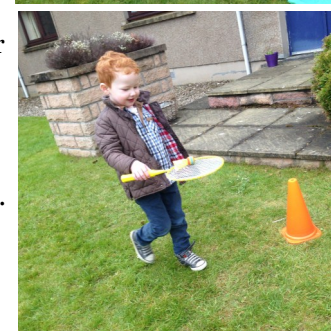
Looking ahead!

The children are looking forward to sharing in the baptism of Sophie.

The holiday club team are busy preparing for the upcoming holiday club 'Polar Explorers'.

A family fun afternoon will be held on Sunday 23rd August – more details to follow.

Please keep the work of the young church in your prayers as we work to share God's message with the next generation.





TAKE NOTE

**DENISE AND NEIL BROWN
PHOTOS BY ANNE MURRAY**

Take Note continues to be very busy on a Friday evening. We have been enjoying the light evenings with games in the church garden.

In February Take Note held a very successful Afternoon Tea raising £240 for Team Romania. This was very well supported by parents and friends. The children enjoyed singing some of their favourite songs during the afternoon.

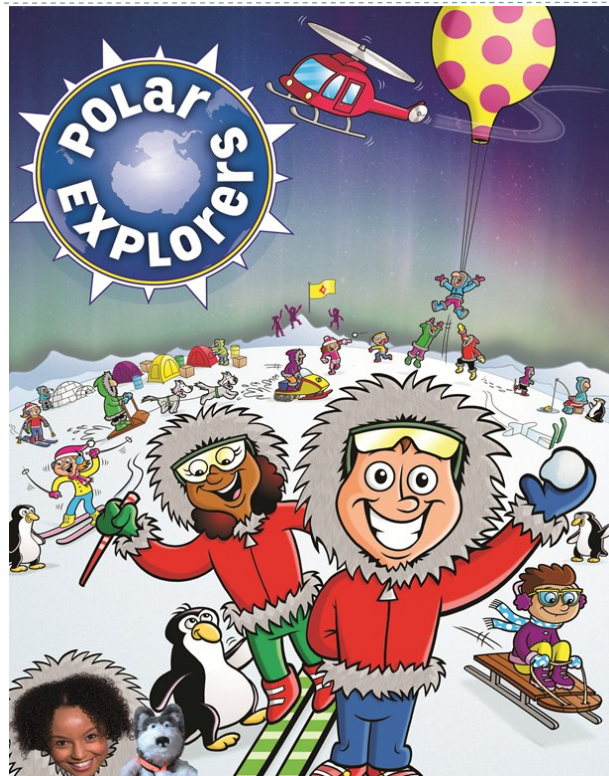
In March we held a Mini Talent Show in aid of Comic Relief. This turned out to be a great evening with lots of talent from the group. We had singing, dancing, fiddles, recorders, flute and even a harp. The finale was led by special guests from Fochabers does Strictly. Everyone in Take Note took part either on their own, in groups or as part of Take Note. This raised £150, so well done!

This is a busy time for us as we have been learning new songs ready to entertain the Greyfriars Club in Elgin next week. Take Note are also singing at Milnes Primary Fete on Sunday afternoon of 14th June. So if you're out for a walk, come along to the playing fields and give us some local support.



Our next big event which is open to everyone is a Concert to be held on Saturday 20th June in Bellie Church. We are joining with the Rockset Choir of Fochabers in a charity concert to raise funds for Nepal. This is looking to be an exciting evening with songs for everyone to join in with so do come along and support us.

Our term ends on Friday 26th June which will be a Family Fun Night for Take Note members and their families.



HOLIDAY CLUB 2015 MARGARET MCINNES
Monday 10th August to Friday 14th August 2015

10.00am - 12.15pm

This year's holiday club – Polar Explorers - is running from Monday 10th August to Friday 14th August and will be held at Bellie Church. The week will provide a fun, informative and action-packed programme of events, including songs, stories, games and crafts.

Polar Explorers is suitable for children aged 5 - 11 years, so all children attending Primary 1-7 after the summer are welcome.

Places are LIMITED, so please register early to avoid disappointment!

**Registration forms are available during Take Note on
Friday 29th May 2015 between 6.30pm—8pm.**

BELLIE AND SPEYMOUTH PARISH CHURCH WORSHIP TEAM LIZ RENNIE

The Unitary Constitution is now five months old and members of the Worship Team are beginning to familiarise and plan for the remits set to them.

Team Members

John McConnachie, Anne Murray, Heather Nicholson, Marjorie Park, Liz Rennie, Lanie Sidney, Janet Whyte

The Way Forward

What is God's Plan for Bellie and Speymouth Parish Church in the 21st Century? Worship Team are tasked with looking at 'The Way Forward' for Bellie and Speymouth Parish Church. The Kirk Session has decided to facilitate over the coming twelve months, a major Parish Consultation which will allow us to consider and reflect on:

What currently happens? What would we like to happen?

How do we make this happen?

Over the coming weeks, all Teams have been invited to come up with key questions relevant to their respective remits. These will be collated to produce a comprehensive Consultation Document. We welcome all opinions and suggestions and a good response to the consultation. This is your opportunity to shape the future of our Church. Hopefully by this time next year we may have an exciting action plan to share with you.

Milnescroft Worship

Anne Murray coordinates Milnescroft Worship. These short, informal services are open for any members of the congregation who prefer the shorter, seated services. Please let your district elder know if you would like to attend.

31.05.15	6.00pm Service led by Guild members
06.09.15	6.00pm Communion led by Heather Nicholson and Rev Alison
04.10.15	6.00pm Harvest Thanksgiving
01.11.15	6.00pm Communion led by John McConnachie and Rev Alison (3.00pm Communion at Speymouth)
06.12.15	6.00pm Christmas Service led by Take Note

Praise Group and Worship Band

For a number of years now we have been enjoying the contributions of Praise Group under the direction of Marjorie Park. The hearty sound of the Group has enhanced worship during Advent, Easter, Pentecost, Summer and Harvest Services and the enjoyment and fellowship of the group are clear to see and hear! Recently the group sang in Speymouth Church for the first time and this too was much enjoyed. The Group will sing at Pentecost and Summer Family Service in Bellie. Worship Band has been growing from strength to strength. This talented group of musicians and singers are now responsible for playing and singing for worship in Bellie once per month. The group play a mixture of new songs and traditional hymns with a modern twist with the singers guiding members of the congregation through the songs as well as treating them to some lovely harmonies. What are your favourite hymns and songs? We are interested in your opinions on the variety of approaches to worship.



Children's Packs and Christmas Carol Book

The Worship Team are working on producing Children's Activity Packs for young people attending Speymouth Services. We have also started to look at refreshing the Christmas Carol Book used for Christmas Eve and Watch Night Services in both Churches.

As we move forward as 'Bellie and Speymouth Parish Church', it is vitally important that we communicate with each other and build upon the many strengths in existence already. If you have any thoughts, ideas and opinions – please share them with any member of the Team. Look out for 'The Way Forward' Consultation too!

BELLIE AND SPEYMOUTH HOODIES ISABEL MACLEOD

Some people have been commenting on the hoodies that Team Romania have had made for recognition in the airport. The Praise Band were wearing them on Sunday 10th May too. They have the new Bellie & Speymouth logo on them but no dates etc so that they can be used for any other occasion in the church if desired. The items that are available are:

Adult pullover hoodie @ £17.00 each (like those we already have)

Adult zip hoodie @ £19.45 each

Kids pullover hoodie @ £14.00 each

Kids zip hoodie @ £16.25 each.

Quite a few people have asked if they could order these too and so lists will be placed in Bellie hall and at Speymouth and anyone who wishes to add their name can do so. They can come in different colours too. I need details of the size and the colour required. Please add your name to the list before the end of June after which time an order will be placed. Payment should be made before the order goes away. Alternatively speak to Isabel MacLeod.

GETTING TO KNOW.....YOU!

GEORGE CHISHOLM

I have been at Speymouth.....since childhood where my family have attended for generations. One early memory is a service to celebrate the 1953 Coronation (the church was packed). We were presented with a New Testament and a commemorative coin which I have still.

One thing I enjoy about Speymouth is.....the history of it, and the family connections with it—my two daughters were married there, and I have recently been involved in the refurbishment of the kitchen and the replacement windows, which has given me great satisfaction.

I find a lot of joy in....walking—anywhere quiet apart from the sounds of birdsong—just being part of nature in any season. Reading and music also fill many hours for me.

If I won the lottery I would.....split it between the family. I have no desire to spend loads of money.

I would love to travel to....St Kilda again. The one time I managed to reach there it was too dangerous to walk to the top because of low cloud so please make it a clear day!

If I was stranded on a deserted island, my luxury item would be....a CD of sacred choral works as they never fail to bring peace to the mind.

The title of a book about me would be....“Trying to limit my intake of homebaking—and failing.”

If I could go back in time, I would travel to....the early 1960's during my apprenticeship years because I met and worked with so many characters who taught me many things (most of which could be retold) and some things best left alone! It was good to be young then—we never had an idle moment, so much to see and be doing—great times”.

ANN RAFFAN

I have been at Bellie/Speymouth since.....1964.

I came to Bellie/Speymouth because.....I live in Fochabers.

One thing I enjoy about Bellie/Speymouth is.....church family.

I find a lot of joy in.....having coffee with friends, visiting grandchildren, and quiet nights at home!

If I was stranded on a deserted island and could have one luxury item with me, it would be....family photos.

Once upon a time I....wrote stories for my granddaughter.



KIDS CORNER

"See what love the Father
has given us, that we should
be called children of God."

1 John 3:1



Jesus as a Child

Use the key below to decode a Bible verse that describes Jesus as a young child.

A=1 B=2 C=3 D=4 E=5 F=6 G=7 H=8 I=9 J=10 K=11
L=12 M=13 N=14 O=15 P=16 Q=17 R=18 S=19 T=20 U=21
V=22 W=23 X=24 Y=25 Z=26

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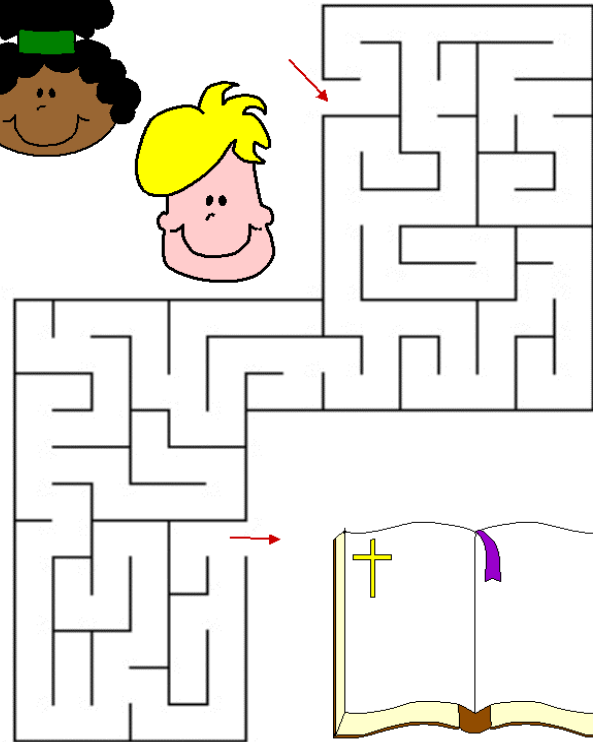
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23 9 19 4 15 13 1 14 4 20 8 5 7 18 1 3 5 15 6 7 15 4

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Bible Maze

Help the boy and girl find the Bible.



OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS

The following books can be found on the word search grid below. Circle the letters that make the word. The letters must be in straight lines, vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. Words may be spelled either forward or backward.

GENESIS	KINGS	SONG OF SOLOMON	OBADIAH
EXODUS	CHRONICLES	ISAIAH	JONAH
LEVITICUS	EZRA	JEREMIAH	MICAH
NUMBERS	NEHEMIAH	LAMENTATIONS	NAHUM
DEUTERONOMY	ESTHER	EZEKIEL	HABAKKUK
JOSHUA	JOB	DANIEL	ZEPHANIAH
JUDGES	PSALMS	HOSEA	HAGGAI
RUTH	PROVERBS	JOEL	ZECHARIAH
SAMUEL	ECCLESIASTES	AMOS	MALACHI

M C R O M A D A H A I M E H E N D
A L E V I S K U K K A B A H A S E
L E X O A N I E Z E K I E L L O U
A V C H R O N I C L E S A E H N T
C I H O Z I G C R O M E O U A G E
H T A P E T S E G D U J O M C O R
I I I R A A H O S A M O S A I F O
H C M O E T A G E N E S I S M S N
A U E V S N I O X E X H T U R O O
I S R E O E A B O J M U H A N L M
R Z E R H M S P D A N A L R Z O Y
A A J B E A I N U M B E R S N M E
H C P S A L M S S L E I N A D O S
C H G S E T S A I S E L C C E N I
E A O B A D I A H A N O J A S P S
Z M I A G G A H A I N A H P E Z M

MEN ARE HAPPIER PEOPLE SUBMITTED BY ISABEL MACLEOD

NICKNAMES

If Laura, Kate and Sarah go out for lunch, they will call each other—Laura, Kate and Sarah.

If Mike, Dave and John go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Godzilla and Four-eyes.

EATING OUT

When the bill arrives, Mike, Dave and John will each throw in £20, even though its for £32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and non will actually admit they want change back.

When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

MONEY

A man will pay £2 for a £1 item he needs.

A woman will pay £1 for a £2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.

BATHROOMS

A man has six items in his bathroom: toothbrush, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap and a towel.

The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.

FUTURE

A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband.

A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

NATURAL

Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed.

Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

DRESSING UP

A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the bin, answer the phone, read a book and get the mail.

A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

SUCCESS

A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend.

A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

ARGUMENTS

A woman has the last word in any argument.

Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

MARRIAGE

A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't.

A man married a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does.

OFFSPRING

Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favourite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams.

A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A married man should forget his mistakes. There's no point in two people remembering the same thing!

SPEYMOOUTH WELCOME ROTA

JULY

5th	Helen Campbell	Olive Craigie
12th	Jean Leithead	Alison McDonald
19th	Grace Hendry	Helen Morrison
26th	Sandra Steel	Jean Ogilvie



IN AID OF SARCOMA
UK & THE ARCHIE
FOUNDATION

Soup and Sweet

Bellie Church Hall

Sat 20th June 2015

12pm – 2pm

COME ALONG! Stalls,
raffle, coffee, pancakes

Summer Coffee Morning

Speymouth Hall
Sat 27th June 2015

10am – 12noon

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Requires a call

Has been admitted to Hospital

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Otherwise, please note your Pastoral Request below

Information supplied by

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ADDRESS

Please hand to Minister at the Door

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when you can with Creche,
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Full PVG Disclosure Required

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PUPPET WORKSHOP

MARGARET MCINNES

(PHOTOS BY ANNE MURRAY)

The Puppet Workshop which took place at Speymouth Church Hall at the end of March was a very successful and enjoyable day for all 20 Bellie and Speymouth folks from across the generations who attended, along with the five people who joined us from other churches – New Deer, Cornhill and Nairn.

We were expertly led through the day by Chris Watt from Out of the Box. Out of the Box is a Christian outreach organisation based in Inverness, inspiring children (and adults) through creative arts, mostly using puppetry. As well as running workshops to help others in their ministry, Out of the Box also takes the Christian message into schools and churches across the North of Scotland.

Chris is passionate about sharing the Gospel and showing people how to bring a puppet to life. The more mature amongst us at our workshop now have a real appreciation of how hard it is to be a puppeteer, whilst the seven Young



Church youngsters in our midst, not only mastered operating the puppets but wrote a script and performed it. They truly brought their puppets to life with a powerful message for the rest of us, stealing the show and making a great day even more memorable.

You will find more information about Out of the Box at www.outofthebox.me.uk or they can be followed on social media – facebook, twitter etc.



BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, FUNERALS

Funerals

Mr Alan Harper, Lochalsh, The Quarters, Fochabers, 26 February 2015

Mrs Mae Henderson, Garmouth, 26 March 2015

Mrs Alexina Jane (Lexy) Harper, Lochalsh, The Quarters, Fochabers, 13 May 2015

Baptisms

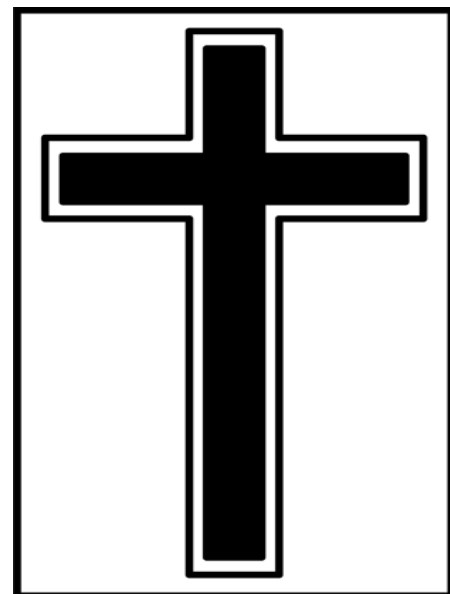
Sophie Lisa Campbell. Daughter of Lisa Campbell of 50 Birnie Place, Mosstodloch
Baptised on 24th May 2015 at Bellie Parish Church

Profession of Faith

Lisa Campbell, 50 Birnie Place, Mosstodloch—24th May 2015 at Bellie Parish Church

Added to Roll of Bellie and Speymouth by Resolution of the Kirk Session

Elaine Sidney, Tugnet—14th May 2015



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun 7 th June	10am Bellie; 11.30am Speymouth;
<i>Tues 9th June</i>	<i>7.30pm Holiday club planning & prep</i>
Sun 14 th June	10am Bellie; 11.30am Speymouth
Sun 21 st June	10am Bellie; 11.30am Speymouth
<i>Tues 23rd June</i>	<i>7.30pm Holiday club planning & prep</i>
<i>Sat 27th June</i>	<i>Summer Coffee Morning in Speymouth Village Hall</i>
Sun 28 th June	10am Bellie Family Service & Prizegiving 11.30am Speymouth
Sun 5 th July	10am United Service at Speymouth
<i>Tues 7th July</i>	<i>7.30pm Holiday club planning & prep</i>
<i>Sat 11th July</i>	<i>Team Romania departs</i>
Sun 12 th July	10am United Service at Speymouth
<i>Sat 18th July</i>	<i>Team Romania returns</i>
Sun 19 th July	10am United Service Speymouth
<i>Tues 21st July</i>	<i>7.30pm Holiday club planning & prep</i>
<i>Sat 25th July</i>	<i>2-4pm Strawberry Teas for Gala</i>
Sun 26 th July	10am United Service Speymouth
Sun 2 nd Aug	10am Ecumenical Celtic Kirk Service – Tented village
<i>Tues 4th Aug</i>	<i>7.30pm Holiday club planning & prep</i>
Sun 9 th Aug	10am United Service Bellie
<i>M-F 10-14 Aug</i>	<i>Summer Mission Holiday Club “Polar Explorers”</i>
Sun 16 th Aug	10am United Service Bellie
Sun 24 th Aug	10am United “Cafe Kirk” service Bellie Act of Commission for Teachers, children and Congregation Congregational Fun Afternoon at Speymouth village hall/park
Sun 30 th Aug	10am United Service Bellie Welcome Breakfast for Young Church
Sun 6 th Sept	10am Bellie, 11.30am Speymouth
COMMUNION	6pm Milnescroft