



HEATON FAMILY

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Dear friends,

We wanted to send a brief update about the ministry here in Carlisle and ask for specific prayers for the next few days. We have been encouraged by what God is doing in this city and at Edward Street Baptist Church.

Last Sunday, we had 19 children in Sunday school. This is truly amazing because at this point we are not providing transport for any children. The children coming are either walking in themselves or their parents/grandparents are bringing them. We desire to purchase a minibus so that we can bring more children in and would ask that you would pray the Lord would provide the funds and the right bus for the ministry! Also, we recently had two Sunday school boys and their dad come to the morning service. This is an answer to prayer, as the dad is an unbeliever, but very open to the things of God. He and the children's mother have expressed interest in beginning to come to the church services together. We are praying for this family, as it is evident the Lord is working!

This past Friday, we began the youth rally outreach at Edward Street. Not knowing what to expect or who would come, we praise the Lord that He brought in four young people and several adult family members. We were encouraged to see this small beginning of what we pray will grow and last for the glory of Christ!

It has been incredibly special to see the believers at Edward Street growing in their walks with the Lord. Every Saturday morning, we meet to go door knocking, make visits, and then go out into the city centre to leaflet and engage people in Gospel conversations. We had 14 people there this morning, the most we have ever had out for outreach to date. Please continue to pray for the Lord's guidance and help, for the lost to repent and be saved, and for believers to grow in their faith!



Left: Sunday school children learning the books of the New Testament.

Middle: Edward Street's first-ever Youth Rally! Please continue to pray for these young people to come to know the Saviour and for this ministry to grow.

Right: We are so thankful for the baby the Lord has blessed us with and looking forward to meeting them in the coming days! We covet your prayers and so thankful for the Lord's presence during this time.

As many of you know, we are expecting our rainbow baby and are so thankful for how the Lord has brought us this far in our pregnancy. Tomorrow, Gracie and the baby will be at 38 weeks. We recently had a scan which revealed the baby's left kidney and bladder are enlarged and not draining as they should. To avoid the risk of infection or damage to the kidney, the doctors have recommended that they induce labour to find out what is causing the issue and treat it. While this is not a life-threatening issue, there is a possibility that the baby will need a minor operation after birth. We ask that you please pray for us, the doctors, and baby Heaton. We will be admitted to a hospital in Newcastle (1.5 hours from Carlisle) on Monday! We cannot wait to meet our little one and are looking to the Lord at this time! We want to thank each of you for your prayers and support for our family as we minister in Carlisle.