

NEWTON MEARNS CHURCH SUPPLEMENT

JUNE, 1962.

REGISTER.

Baptisms.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me."

Alison Margaret Livingstone, 42 Paidmyre Cresc.
Graeme Samuel Haig Haddow, Witchwood, Stewarton Road.

Marriage.

"Whom God hath joined together."

Basil John Baird to Jessie Parker Wilson.

NEW MEMBERS ADMITTED AS AT 6th MAY, 1962.

By Profession of Faith.

John Craig, 5 Manse Lane.
Mrs John Craig, 5 Manse Lane.
Thomas Dobson, 10 Raeside Avenue.
Miss Sandra L. Frederick, Fassfern, Newtonlea Ave.
Miss Karine J. Frederick, Fassfern, Newtonlea Ave.
Miss Elizabeth M. Gray, Rayach, Newtonlea Ave.
Robert E. Hall, 20 Beech Avenue.
Miss Joy H. Hunter, 7 The Loaning.
Miss Margaret M. Joyce, 44 Newtonlea Avenue.
Donald C. McDougall, 4 Raeside Avenue.
Miss Doris McEwing, 33 Hazelwood Avenue.
John D. McEwing, 33 Hazelwood Avenue.
Miss Elizabeth A. Pettigrew, The Moorings, Newtonlea Avenue.
Miss Linda Shaw, Craignethan Road.
Miss Dorothy R. Sweet, 1 Hazelwood Avenue.
Miss Gillian N. Sweet, 1 Hazelwood Avenue.
Miss Christine A. L. White, 173 Queen's Drive, Glasgow.

By Certificates from other Congregations.

Mr and Mrs W. J. Deans, 60 Larchfield Avenue.
Miss Rosemary Deans, 60 Larchfield Avenue.
Mr and Mrs Lyndsay Scott, 2 Paidmyre Gardens.
Mrs Clara Waddell, 2 Edzell Drive.
Norman Waddell, 2 Edzell Drive.
Arthur Stubbs, Sen., 26 Broomburn Court.

MINISTER'S LOG.

The General Assembly of 1962 has concluded its deliberations. The Right Reverend Dr. Neville Davidson, the Minister of Glasgow Cathedral, proved himself from all accounts to be an excellent Moderator of the Assembly, and the Lord High Commissioner was the Earl of Maitland, who had already adorned his high office with dignity and distinction. As I was not this year a member (it only falls to one every four years, which I think is too long an interval), I cannot give any personal impressions. The very important question of nuclear disarmament was again before the house, showing the concern of the Church, but nothing new was said on the subject. The only decision that aroused widespread interest was on the subject of the observance of the Lord's Day. It was that more latitude should be shown towards the use of it as regards physical recreation. It is difficult when one has been brought up all one's life to a more strictly sabbatarian view to adjust one's mind along a new approach. Perhaps we were too strictly brought up. On the other hand some of us feel it did us little harm and much good—physically, mentally and spiritually. It may be, however, that

a little relaxation of the rigidity is called for, as long as the new liberty does not develop into licence. To use the day Christ rose from the dead for as noble purposes as possible, including public worship and family life as well as the much needed rest for the body should, I think, be the aim of every Christian.

I would like to congratulate the Youth Fellowship on their completion of another very successful session. Those who were present at their customary evening Carol Service at Christmas will realise the strength of this body of youth in our midst. The syllabus was drawn up with care, and some of the addresses we listened to, both from visiting speakers and from within our congregation, were most stimulating. The year reached its climax at the beginning of April when on their own initiative, a house to house collection was carried through on behalf of the Save the Children Fund. The Fellowship "put its back" into this task, and crowned it with an Easter Fair on the Saturday, raising about £350. This was just the kind of venture that one would expect from youth in the Church and it was forthcoming. The group has this year been most ably led by Mr Millar Whalley. It is impossible to speak too highly of the quality of leadership which he gave to them. He challenged them repeatedly to various branches of Christian Service and they responded. He will be the first to admit that he received willing support, and to the Youth Fellowship as a whole, including their able secretary, Miss Wendy Watt, we would like to offer our thanks. The president for 1962-63 is Mr Donald McDougall, the vice-president, Mr Robbie Anderson, and the secretary, Miss Linda Shaw. We invite all youth in the Church of 16 years and over to come and join in the Autumn.

VARIA.

The Sabbath School closes on Sunday, 17th June, with a service in the Church at 3 p.m. The Sabbath School trip is on Saturday, 23rd June, to Letham Farm, on the kind invitation of Mr and Mrs William Lambie and their family.

The Evening Service in the district is discontinued until September when it will be resumed, alternating monthly between the two churches.

The Congregational District Socials to which reference was made in the last issue will be held on the following dates—Monday, September 17th; Monday, October 1st; Wednesday, October 3rd; Monday, October 8th, and Tuesday, October 9th. As part of the programme of each evening a speaker will explain the current subject of Stewardship in the Church at large to-day. Each Elder will be responsible for issuing your invitation.

The Displays, both of the Boys' Brigade and of the Life Boys, were most enjoyable, as was that of the Girl Guides some time previously. Great credit is due to our youth leaders for the valuable work they are doing in this respect. We are glad to say that slightly more people came to see their closing functions but we could do much better.

I expect to be on holiday during the month of July, and the pastoral work will be carried through by Rev. David A. Black of Mearns Parish Church, and Rev. W. J. Towart of Giffnock South.

OBITUARY.

Mrs Margaret Wilson, Pollokton, died on Monday, 28th May, 1962, in a Glasgow hospital. Although she had not joined the Church officially she had signified her intention of doing so. She was a girl of brilliant intellectual gifts, taking her M.A. with Honours at Glasgow University. Her married life was, alas, short. Her husband died after a few years, leaving her with two young children. She took a keen interest in the Rural, and was in the process of writing a play for it. She comes of a family that has had a long and honoured connection with the Church and to her father and mother our hearts go out in deepest sympathy.

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Bible Quiz.

1. What father made his son a coat of many colours?
2. Whose mother brought her son a little coat once a year?
3. What giant had a coat of mail?
4. Why did a woman once touch the hem of Christ's garment?
5. Who wore clothing made of camel's hair?
6. Who was wrapped in swaddling clothes?
7. Certain people loved long clothing. Who were they?
8. For whose clothing did soldiers cast lots?

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP.

The Youth Fellowship would like to thank all those who supported, in any way, their "Save the Children" Campaign.

79th GLASGOW COY.

BOYS' BRIGADE.

The Annual Display of the 79th Glasgow Company of the Boys' Brigade was held in the Church Hall on Friday, 18th May, 1962.

The guest of honour was one of the Elders, Mr W. M. Walker, a past Captain and past Vice-President of the Boys' Brigade of Clydebank.

The chair was occupied by the Chaplain, the Rev. W. Murray Mackay.

Mrs Walker very graciously presented the following awards.

Queen's Badge (Highest award of the B.B.)—Col. Serg. A. W. Orr.

Attendance—Perfect, 6 years.—Col. Serg. A. W. Orr. Perfect, 1 year—Pte. Ian A. Russell. Very Regular—Serg. H. R. Fulton, Cpl. A. Rodger, Pte. A. McLeish, Pte. W. A. D. McPhail.

Young Cup (Best Drilled boy)—Pte. R. Booth.

Recruit Medal—Pte. Neil Kidd.

Liberton Shield (For continuous efficiency)—Col. Serg. A. W. Orr.

Captain Scott Shield (Most improved boy for year)—Serg. H. Fulton.

BADGES.

Three Years Anchor—Pte. W. McPhail, Pte. A. McLeish, Pte. F. Robertson, Pte. I. Russell.

Bible Knowledge—L/Cpl. J. Loudon.

First Aid—Pte. I. Russell, Pte. R. Booth.

Physical Training—L/Cpl. J. Loudon, Pte. A. McLeish, Pte. F. Robertson, Pte. I. Russell.

Fireman's—Serg. H. Fulton.

Seamanship—Serg. A. Orr.

N.C.O. Star—Serg. H. Fulton.

Signalling—Cpl. A. Rodger, Pte. W. McPhail.

Long Service—Serg. H. Fulton.

CERTIFICATES.

N.C.O. Proficiency—Serg. A. Orr.

Bible Knowledge—3rd Advanced—Serg. A. Orr. 1st Advanced—Serg. H. Fulton, Cpl. A. Rodger. Ordinary—L/Cpl. J. Loudon, L/Cpl. C. Amos, Pte. W. McPhail, Pte. A. McLeish, Pte. R. Booth, Pte. T. Andrew.

Life Saving—Advanced and Bronze Cross of R.L.S.S.—Serg. A. Orr.

First Aid—Pte. I. Preston.

St. Andrew's Ambulance Assoc. Certificate—Pte. F. Robertson.

Physical Training—L/Cpl. C. Amos, Pte. W. McPhail, Pte. R. Booth.

Signalling (Morse)—Pte. A. McLeish.

Citizenship—Cpl. A. Rodger, Pte. F. Robertson, Pte. W. McPhail, Pte. D. Russell, Pte. R. Booth.

Athletics—Serg. A. Orr, Cpl. A. Rodger.

Discharge—Serg. A. Orr, Serg. H. Fulton.

MOTHERS' GROUP.

Next session the Mothers' Group will meet in the Church Hall on Thursday afternoons from 2.30 p.m. till 4 p.m. The first meeting will be held on the 4th of October.

A cordial invitation is extended to all mothers of young children to come along and join the group.

Arrangements will be made to look after the children during the meetings.

FINANCE.

Collections to 31st May.		1962	1961
Systematic Giving,	.....	£1386	£1278
Open Plate,	.....	216	244
Seat Rents,	.....	109	109
Assembly Schemes,	.....	103	84
Retiring Collections,	.....	37	42
Bonds of Annuity,	.....	251	134
Sundries,	.....	48	101
		£2150	£1992

War Memorial Hall Fund.

Balance at 31st May, 1962, £9085

FLOWER LIST.

June	3—Mr A. Russell.
"	10—Mrs Gray.
"	17—Miss K. Maclean.
"	24—Mr J. Russell.
July	1—Mrs Boyle.
"	8—Mrs Duncan.
"	15—Mrs A. S. McCance.
"	22—Mrs Blackwood.
"	29—Mrs Mackay.
Aug.	5—Mr D. Buchanan.
"	12—Mrs Bishop.
"	19—Mrs Macphail.
"	26—Mrs Morton.

The Committee desire to thank all those who have so kindly agreed to provide flowers for year ending April, 1963.