

THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND NEWTON MEARNS PARISH CHURCH SUPPLEMENT

NOVEMBER, 1964

Minister:

Rev. W. MURRAY MACKAY, M.A., S.T.M.

Session Clerk:

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Organist:

Mr JAMES LITTLEJOHN, 33 Newfield Sq., Nitshill.

Treasurer:

Mr WALTER RODGER, 220 Ayr Road.

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Mr WILLIAM DINSMOR, 52 Castle Rd. NEW 2777.

Sabbath Services: 11.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.
(The Evening Service alternates monthly with Mearns Parish Church: during November it will be in Mearns Parish Church).

Sabbath School—Primary, Junior and Senior:
10 a.m.

Bible Class: 10.15 a.m. **Youth Fellowship:** 7.45 p.m.

REGISTER.

Baptisms.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me."

Catriona Margaret Laurie, 24 Chisholm Drive.
Fiona Clare Prime, 67 Hazelwood Avenue.
Neil Robert Hanna, 4 Moidart Gardens.

Marriages.

"Whom God hath joined together."

Elsie Blackwood and Thomas M. Dickie.
Alexandra Moira Dunn and James S. Young.
Isabella Lawrence Morrison or Walls and Robert Stewart.

Deaths.

"Christ the first fruits of them that are asleep."

Mrs R. C. Morison, 38 Larchfield Avenue.
Mrs William Bishop, Clifton Lodge, Beverly Road, Newlands.

NEW MEMBERS—OCTOBER, 1964

By Profession of Faith.

Annette Mary Crossland, 11 Glamis Avenue.
Sandra Alice Crossland, 11 Glamis Avenue.
Patricia Mary Hunter, 7 The Loaning.
Sheila Anne Jammett, H Eastwood Court, Thornliebank.
Mary Kathleen Jammett, H Eastwood Court, Thornliebank.
Fiona Campbell Law, 11 Hazelwood Avenue.
Helen McGregor, 81 Beech Avenue.
Kareen Murray Sellars, 9 The Loaning.
Grace Linda Stewart, 36 Roselea Drive, Dennistoun.
Thomas Aaron Ford, 3 Broomvale Drive.
Hamish Robertson Fulton, 45 Beech Avenue.
George Neil Rodger, 22 Arisdale Crescent.

By Certificate from other Congregations.

Mrs Andrew Bell, 56 Fruin Avenue.
Mrs J. Bone, 159 Ayr Road.
Mr and Mrs Robert Chadwick, 11 Eaglesham Road.
Mr and Mrs John R. S. Coghill, 17 Chisholm Drive.
Mr and Mrs G. G. Emerson, Aintree Cottage, Oakwood Drive.
Miss Anne Frost, Braeton, Burnside Road.

Mr and Mrs J. Haig Haddow, Craigend of Capelrig.
Mrs Walter Henderson, Harelea, Ayr Road.
Mr and Mrs J. Hendry, 22 Fruin Avenue.
Mr and Mrs R. B. Howie, 51 Beech Avenue.
Mrs Anne Keir, 28 Chisholm Drive.
Mr James Keir, 28 Chisholm Drive.
Mr John Maxton, 6 Manse Lane.
Mr and Mrs J. Watson Muirhead, 4 Earn Drive.
Mr James Rodger, 22 Arisdale Crescent.
Mrs Stent, 56 Fruin Avenue.
Mrs T. P. Towers, 12 Chisholm Drive.
Mr Ronald C. Wagstaffe, 4 Fraser Drive.

The undernoted members of the Congregation have left this year and have received their Disjunction Certificates:—

Mr and Mrs Stirling Jarvie, Strathyre, The Crescent, Busby.
Mrs Nigel McMillan, 18 Viaduct Road, Clarkston.
Mr and Mrs George McMurran, Barrhead Road.
Mr and Mrs J. B. Cunningham, 2 Broomvale Drive.
Mrs Dorothy A. Adam, née Napier, 2 Glebe Road.
Mrs Gall, 52 Edzell Drive.
Mr and Mrs John Macdonald, 136 Main Street.
Miss Hope Wallace, Garvie Cottage, Eaglesham Rd.
Mrs Patricia Lillie, née Tweedie, 73 Ayr Road.
Mrs Mary Laird, née Anderson, 86 Montgomery St., Eaglesham.
Mrs Elizabeth Dickie, née Blackwood, Wellmeadow Farm.
Mr and Mrs John Angus, 40 Beech Avenue.
Mr Eric Brown, 16 Dunbeath Avenue.

MINISTER'S LOG

One of the questions that is absorbing the mind of the Church of Scotland at the present time is the admission of women to the ministry and the eldership. There are those who maintain that if you agree to one of these you must do so to both. On the other hand some are in favour of opening the door of the eldership but not of the ministry. Those who are opposed to women in the ministry do so on two grounds (1) theological and (2) practical. They maintain that it is contrary to the teaching of the Bible. Christ did not call any women to be members of the disciple band. The place of women is to be the helpmeet of man. A few may enter the profession, etc., but by her physiological nature she was created to assist rather than to lead. On practical grounds also she would, if she were married, require to devote several years of her life to the care of children in the home. Moreover there is at the moment, apart from a few instances, no demand by the Church for them either by congregations or the women themselves. It might result in those who were trained by the Church being unable to receive a call. This is provided that the Church continues its pattern of a parish ministry and does not inaugurate a team one. It is believed that as regards the former the physical demands on a woman would be too heavy.

On the other hand there are those who are of a completely different mind. They believe that as women have entered other professions such as law, accountancy, medicine, business, etc., that there is no valid reason that they should be debarred from the ministry.

There is, however, much more support in the Church regarding their admission to the eldership, and one cannot easily see any arguments that would debar them from fulfilling a very useful role here in the life of the Church.

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The laying of the foundation stone by Lady Fraser of the Cottage Homes for employees of the Drapers' Association on Tuesday, October 6th, was an interesting event in the life of the parish. They are to be built on the grounds of what was formerly known as Crookfur House. When I came to be minister here in 1931, it was occupied by Mrs Templeton of the family of carpet makers. She was a lady of very fine christian character, and her home was often the scene of bazaars for the Zonana Bible Mission, the League of Nations, etc. On one occasion during the war the Sabbath School trip was held there, and the beautiful green lawn in front of the house was an ideal setting for such an event. We understand that this is to be preserved in the new scheme. It is to cost £600,000 and will consist of three parts—cottages where the old people, as long as they are able, will look after themselves, cubicles with an adjoining dining room when they are not so able to do so, and a ward with nursing staff when they may be bedridden. Nor is the community to be segregated from the district. A road running through it will enable both to take an interest in the other.

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Remembrance Day will be celebrated on Sunday, 8th November. The service will begin at 10.45 a.m. and the uniformed organisations of the congregation will be on parade. It is our duty to remember with deep gratitude before God those who made the supreme sacrifice for us, and it is an opportunity to impress on our children the importance of working for the peace of the world. A retiring collection will be taken for the Earl Haig Fund.

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Not a few who have come to reside in the Crookfur estate are those who have been married recently. In order to provide a meeting place for mothers and their children the church hall will be open on Wednesday afternoons from 2-4.30 p.m. where facilities for badminton will be available, and a cup of tea can be enjoyed. There is no obligation on anyone who comes to become associated with the church. It is offered as a means to deepen the fellowship of the community, and, of course, those who live in other parts of the parish will be welcome. You are invited to bring your children, and arrange among yourselves to look after them. Racquets are in the hall for your use.

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OBITUARIES

Mrs R. C. Morison, 38 Larchfield Avenue, died on Thursday, 8th October, at a city hospital. Born in Liege in Belgium, she was evacuated with the rest of her family at the beginning of the 1914-18 war. They took up residence in the south side of Glasgow, and after her marriage settled finally in this district. One would not easily have recognised that she was not British by birth. Her command of the English tongue was perfect. She devoted herself to the care of her husband and proved a great help meet to him in his profession as a banker. She was a faithful member of the church, and to her husband we offer our deepest sympathy in his great loss.

Mrs William Bishop, Clifton Lodge, Beverly Road, Newlands, died on Sunday, October 11th, 1964. The large number of those who attended her funeral was an indication of the high esteem in which she was held by a wide circle. Those who knew her would acknowledge that she was a woman of very fine christian character. She spent her life trying to bring happiness to others. The fact that she was always so bright in disposition was closely related to it. No doubt there was sadness in her heart at times but she did not show that face to the world. She was always writing letters to people and her personality shone through them. Especially was she attentive to those who were ill; she would write a little note, and it brought a moment of brightness to them. She had wide interests in life. One of these was her love of flowers. No doubt the fact that they added colour to life had something to do with her great interest in them for they helped to bring the happiness to others that she coveted. She was a member of the Giffnock Flower Club, and the president. She and her husband joined the congregation when they lived in the district, and on moving to Newlands continued on in it. She was a regular attender at worship, and performed many useful services in the life of the congregation. She distributed the Supplement and helped with her car to bring those, who were less able, to church. We would extend to her husband and her daughter the deep sympathy of the congregation. "I am the Resurrection and the Life," saith the Lord. "He that believeth in Me though he were dead, yet shall he live: and he that liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

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The Boys' Brigade Enrolment Service will be held on Sunday, November 29th.

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The Congregation will congratulate Miss Eudora Eadie, Guide Commissioner for the Giffnock district, on receiving the Beaver Award, the highest given within Great Britain. She was Captain of our Girl Guides during the last war.

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Mr and Mrs John MacCallum, Deanstone, Ayr Road, attain their diamond wedding anniversary in December, and we offer our warmest congratulations to them.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER

When Dr. Barnardo, the founder of the Homes with the motto: "No destitute child ever refused admission," started out on his great work, God gave him a promise text beginning with "I" and ending with "Eye." You will find it in Psalm 32.

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CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

On Sunday, 20th December, at 11.30 a.m., there will be a gift service attended by the Sabbath School, and in the evening at 6.30 p.m. the worship, consisting mainly of Christmas praise, will be conducted by the Youth Fellowship. There will also be a midnight service on Christmas Eve at 11.30 p.m. The dates of the parties are as follows:—Sabbath School, Saturday, 19th December (Primary in the afternoon and Junior in the evening); 17th December, Girl Guides; 18th December, Life Boys; 26th December, Youth Fellowship Dance.

WOMAN'S GUILD

The rapidity with which the days and weeks pass between one issue of the Supplement and the next leaves me gasping.

On Monday, 14th October, the Guild met for an evening's entertainment. This was much enjoyed by all present. For once the weather was good, and there was a good turn out of members despite the colds which were responsible for the absence of one or two of our friends. We wish them speedy riddance of their uninvited and unwelcome guests.

The response to the invitations to the Wednesday morning meeting was encouraging and interest was shown in the suggestion of an afternoon Badminton session. These Wednesday meetings have been inaugurated principally to encourage the new young housewives in our parish to meet one another and get to know one another under the umbrella of our Guild.

We hope that as they grow to know us they will find kindred spirits among us and will gradually be moved to join us on those Monday evenings on which we have some subject of particular interest to them. Perhaps this is a good opportunity to remind all our ladies in the church that they will be made cordially welcome at all times.

We know it is not possible for everyone to turn out regularly every Monday, since life becomes more and more complicated and we become increasingly involved in this and that. Still there are several nights which we hope will be of outstanding interest.

On 9th November, Mrs Easton will be speaking on "Let us Give Thanks." Mrs Easton, the wife of the minister of St. Mary's Govan, is well known to several of our members. Her Votes of Thanks at Council meetings were always gems of grace, humour and aptness. She is a delightful person and her talk should be well worth hearing.

"Precious Stones" is the title of a talk on November 16th by Mr J. D. S. Wade. What female heart can resist the glow and glitter of pearls, rubies and diamonds? Come along and hear what Mr Wade, an expert on jewels, has to say about them.

I nearly forgot one of the most important items on our syllabus—the Coffee Morning on Saturday, 7th November, from 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon. This is one of our social events when friends meet to have coffee and a chat—and at the same time buy some small thing from the stalls, or give a donation to our funds, which we are always glad to increase for our various commitments. We look forward to seeing you then, Make it a date!

THE 79th GLASGOW COMPANY OF THE BOYS' BRIGADE

The Company is now in full swing and meets every Friday evening at 7.45 p.m.

It is with great regret that we learnt at the beginning of the session that Mr J. A. Orr would require to give up the Captaincy of the Company.

The strength of the Company is still not what we would like it to be. This year we received four boys from the Life Boys and lost two of last year's strength—one by discharge, and the other who did not wish to return.

Any boy between the ages of 12 and 17 will be welcome. First Aid is being taught this year by Dr. Napier, and we have introduced this year among our subjects photography for the junior boys, and hope later to extend it to the seniors. The Bible Class on Sundays at 10.15 a.m. is a meeting on which we lay great stress, and has been well attended.

A. Watt, Captain.

THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Youth Fellowship opened its syllabus this session with a most interesting and amusing talk from Mr A. Thain and this was followed by a very serious and important debate on the position of women in the Church. We look forward to having many more such meetings throughout the year. The high light of our session will, of course, be December 20th, when the Youth Fellowship will lead the evening worship.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to any new members interested in coming along to our meetings. The Youth Fellowship meets in the Church Hall at 7.45 each Sunday evening and the only restriction on Membership is that the person must be at least 16 years of age. I can assure any person thinking of coming to our meetings that they will be given a very warm welcome.

- Nov. 1—Crime and Criminology: Det. Ins. Napier.
- " 8—Road to the White House: The American Consul.
- " 15—Visit to Orchardhill Y.F.: Inter-Y.F. Debate.
- " 22—Physiological Research: Dr. M. Holmes.
- " 29—Seamill Week-end: Rev. Stanley Mair, M.A., Netherlee.
- Dec. 6—Past President's Night.
- " 13—Rehearsal for Christmas Service.
- " 20—Christmas Service.
- " 22—Carol Singing.

Tom Dobson, President.

2nd MEARNS BROWNIE PACK

The most encouraging feature of the start of the 1964-65 session was the 16 eager-faced new recruits, which brought our total up to 32.

A large number of these recruits are young and we welcome them and look forward to watching their progress.

At present we have eight 1st Class Brownies busily engaged in badge work—a section of Brownie work which does not receive so much attention—due to the age limit being 11, and Brownies Flying-up to Guides.

I would like to thank my Tawny Owls—Miss Diana Watson and Miss Mary Jammet—and three Pack Leaders for their work with the Brownies at the beginning of the session.

J. O. Simpson, Brown Owl.

THE LIFE BOYS

The Life Boy Team resumed its activities early in September and has just settled in for the winter's work. At present we have twenty-three boys on the roll. As ever, the Leaders will be very pleased to welcome to the Team more boys—but, they must be aged 8 to 11. Perhaps you have a son who would benefit from the companionship and instruction offered every Friday evening from 6.30 p.m. till 7.40 p.m. Please accept this intimation as an invitation to join!

Already this session our Team has been on parade. Sunday, 11th October, was a "Life Boy Sunday," and we as a Team had the privilege of being with the entire Eastwood District at a special service held in Albert Drive Church. The Rev. G. N. Duff devoted his sermon to the ideals of the Life Boys and to the Christian aim as encompassed in the motto of the Boys' Brigade, "Sure and Steadfast."

D. McDougall, Leader.

JUNIOR AND CHURCH CHOIRS

It is only a year since the Junior Choir was formed and despite the fact that warm appreciation was shown of their performances at the Woman's Guild and in the Church the number attending the practices now is as low as seven. It is to be hoped that this is only temporary but unless the children are encouraged to attend the practices it will not be possible to do much as a choir.

The Church Choir practices have been resumed for the winter session and already the members are preparing for a varied programme. On 30th November they are to take part in a Scots Night at the Woman's Guild and a few nights later, on Friday, 4th December, will give their own Concert in the Church Hall. Then on 27th December, the Choir will render a Christmas Cantata at the evening service. Following the many appreciative comments made last year after the performance of the Christmas Music from "The Messiah," a repeat performance was considered for this year but it was finally decided to perform something new and to postpone repeating the music from "The Messiah" until the following year when our new organ will be available and, is it possible, we may even have a few more members in the Choir?

Before closing, your attention is drawn, once again, to the date of the Choir Concert—4th December—when, although the numbers are few, the Junior Choir will also take part. J.A.L.

FINANCE**SYSTEMATIC GIVING SCHEME**

At the October meeting of the Congregational Board, Mr A. S. McCance, Systematic Giving Treasurer, drew attention to the decrease in contributions for the quarter ending 30th September, 1964, also for the nine months' period ending on the same date. He pointed out that no contributions had been recorded against 61 members during the quarter and that 24 members had not contributed during year to date. With the result that the receipts for the periods in question were considerably less than for the corresponding period in 1963.

It should be noted that under the Systematic Giving Scheme in operation in this Church, the Treasurer does not know the names of the contributors but is concerned only with numbers and contributions.

The Board agreed that reference should be made to this matter in the November Supplement with a reminder to those concerned to try and make good the deficiencies before the end of the year.

**DATE OF PUBLICATION
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The next Supplement will be available for distributors on February 14th, 1965.

If you have any material that you think would be interesting to the congregation, would you endeavour to have it in the hands of the Minister not later than 14 days before date of issue?

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 The Youth Fellowship meets on Sunday evenings at 7.45 p.m.

THE BOYS' BRIGADE—79th GLASGOW COMPANY.

Captain: Mr ALEX. J. WATT, 47 Braefield Drive, Thornliebank.
 The Company meets in the Hall on Friday Evenings at 7.30 p.m.

THE LIFE BOYS—79th GLASGOW COMPANY.

Leader: Mr DONALD McDOUGALL, 4 Raeside Avenue. Telephone: NEW 2756
 The Company meets in the Hall on Friday Evenings at 6.30 p.m.

THE GIRL GUIDES.

Captain: Miss JANE CLEMENTS, Hollytree House, Todhill. Tel.: NEW 3183
 The Company meets in the Hall on Thursday Evenings at 7.30 p.m.

THE BROWNIES.

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 The Brownies meet in the Church Hall on Thursday Evenings at 6 p.m.

THE BADMINTON CLUB.

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