

Dear Friends in the Lord,

First of all, many thanks again to all of you who have been praying for Stephen following his brain haemorrhage on the 11th of December. We have recently come back from popping over to see him in Leeds and we are very happy to report that he continues to make good progress. His mind, memory, speech and everything else are completely normal. He gets tired very easily but his strength is building up little by little. For this we do indeed give God all the praise and glory.

The second session of the Alpha course on 1st February went well with a little less people than the first time. One lady said that she wasn't coming back as she wasn't ready for such a commitment and another lady couldn't come that evening but has every intention of continuing. This should give us a regular attendance of 4 people, which is quite encouraging on the whole. The next session will be held on Friday 21st. Please continue to pray along with us for this.

We are soon to have a meeting of all those interested in starting a group called "Oasis". This group is particularly geared towards Muslims, either young Christians or those showing an interest in the Gospel. A couple who have served the Lord in the Muslim world for many years will be joining us soon and will be taking up responsibility for this group along with others who will be willing to help.

We would ask you to pray very specially for this as it is a new orientation for the church outreach and a big challenge stepping out in this direction. As already said we have a very good contact with Arab women who come to the church for the literacy classes that we run each week but this is going a step further and we would value your prayer support.

Many thanks again for your interest, practical fellowship and prayers. We join again in thanking you and in sending our warm greetings in the Lord,

**Graham et Alison.**

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