

Dear Friends in the Lord,

First of all we would like to wish you a Happy New Year 2024. May this new year be a year of much blessing in the Lord for you and yours.

Our activities in December went very well. On the 9th our "car boot sale" held in the premises of the church went very well and lots of people came in to buy things.

Then on the 16th we showed a Christmas film followed by afternoon tea and snacks. Again, there was a good number of people and lots of children. This is good as the film is more suited to children but not exclusively. Both of these occasions were with a view to making contact with the population living around the church and we can safely say that from that point of view these efforts were a big success. We do pray that many of the contacts made will continue and develop in the days ahead.

Activities will be taking up again this month. The Alpha course will continue with three invited people coming along. Then there is the Alpha course for couples too. There are two sessions left to do in this course and five couples have been coming along regularly. Two young couples from our own church and three other couples from elsewhere. This has been most encouraging for a first time and we do trust and pray that this course will have been a blessing to these couples.

On Saturday 6th another outreach day will take place in the town of Aix-en-Provence. The same pattern will be followed as in the previous outreach days : a time of training and sharing in the morning and after a shared meal out in the streets in the afternoon to share the Gospel with passers by. Previous outreaches have been encouraging on the whole and reception by the people has been good too generally speaking so we pray again for a time of blessing this Saturday.

On a more personal level Alison and I will celebrate 55 years of marriage on the 11th of this month. We praise the Lord for all His goodness to us down through all these years and for the many blessings He has lavished upon us in so many ways.

We join again in thanking you for your prayer fellowship with us and in sending our very warm greetings in the Lord,

Graham et Alison.

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