



She will give birth to a son, and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins. Matthew 1:21

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What a year to reflect on! So much has happened that we will restrict ourselves to the highlights (You are relieved of the unnecessary detail!)

Tim & Sarah believe God has called them to serve among the Tibetan peoples with World Horizons. We went with them to the World Horizons Weekend which was very stimulating. That led to them selling their house in New Rossington and emptying it of their belongings and after a camping holiday, staying with us until they moved to Xian, China. This is a well known city as it is close to the Terracotta Army of world renown. However, it is a long way from Tibet! The purpose is for them to learn Mandarin Chinese. So they have now been there 4 months and they are all getting confidence in Mandarin, communicating in school and shops, etc. Joshua and Matthew go to a 'Kindergarten' where Chinese is the main language. Tim and Sarah are having language classes. We regularly Skype them after breakfast for us and evening meal for them!



At the same time Becky and Mark began the process of moving to Bolton as Mark's job is now based in Blackburn. They are settling into a new home which we have visited and again Skype enables us to see the grandchildren whizz in and out of picture!

Jon completed his degree course and we are very proud of his 2.1 honours degree. However he is struggling to get work experience in Primary teaching so that he can do a PGCE course and get a job in the meantime to earn money!

Dan & Jenn are getting more involved in their church ('Hilly Park Baptist') in worship leading and youth work.

Our holiday this year took us to Scotland in June via Ullswater and a delightful week in

Arrochar near Loch Lomond. The photo was taken at the top of Ben Lomond. We also did the West Highland Railway trip to Mallaig which was beautiful. Phil took part in a family wedding at Sandhurst Military Academy.

We joined Due South as Team Pastors again along with some of the family. Here is Zac and Anya Tobogganing. Liz has taken up Scottish Country Dancing AND French Polishing!! She went with her father to Coalbrookdale, etc for a coach holiday.



This year our church SRCF celebrated its 70th year of worshipping together and we did it by being part of the Primary Schools Fairs, having posters on all local buses, placing a John's gospel in every home in our area, a weekend of testimony and thanksgiving and an Alpha Course. Our Youth Worker is making real progress and the youth group is growing as is the Youth House Group.