



Announcements For Week Commencing Sunday 1st November

WEEK AHEAD:

Sun 1st Nov: Morning Worship This morning will be IDOP for the persecuted church: Our guest speaker is Mr Alan Meldrum from Open Doors with a message from Acts 12:1-19

Shoe Box Appeal for 2026 - see page 2 - Hats, gloves and scarf set available at £5 per set.

Final date for returning shoe boxes is TODAY

Mon 2nd Nov: Tots & Toast: continues @10am - 12 Noon.

Tues 3rd Nov: Open Doors Project are holding a book sale - selection of Christian books, cards, calendars, bibles and more - at Café Connect in the Capstone Centre from 10:30 - 12:30

Wed 4th Nov: Early Morning Prayer Meeting: continues at 7:30am on Zoom. Let's make seeking God a priority! Centring our hearts on God, lifting up our community, and praying for His Kingdom to come. Whether you're a morning person or just looking to grow in your spiritual life, this is the perfect way to start your day and the year strong. Let's seek first His Kingdom together (Matthew 6:33)! We look forward to praying with you.

Bible Study: – Join us in the sanctuary at 7:00pm for our study in Jude: Contending for the Faith: A timely journey through this short but powerful letter, encouraging us to know the truth, stand firm in the faith, and live faithfully for Jesus. **Session 6: Kept By God Jude 24-25**

Thurs 5th Nov: Hot Drinks stall at Fireworks display in Crawl Park

Praise Team Practice in Sanctuary at 7:30pm

Fri 6th Nov: Community Food Larder: Continues at 10:30-12:00

Sun 8th Nov: 10:45am Act of Remembrance at Cenotaph on High Street

11:30am: Morning Worship: Robert shares a message titled A Better Country based on Hebrews 11:13-16

FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Financial contributions: If you'd like to start contributing to ABC via envelopes/bank transfer (Gift Aiding - adding 25% to your donation through tax refund to church) please let us know by contacting our Treasurer, Angus Macleod, or email treasurer@alnessbc.org.uk. Giving in **October** was £7,014 and was above expenditure which was £5,361 Average monthly income required to meet expenditure for remainder of year is down slightly at £6,546. See Page 2

Preaching and Events Guide: Is now available at the back of the church for **September - November**

Community Food Larder: We are looking for volunteers to help in the manning of the larder and provide some tea & coffee. If able to help sign up sheet for the month of **November** at back of church.

Baptist Union Of Scotland: Prayer Calendar - this week please pray for the following Dumfries Baptist Church, Duncan Street Baptist Church, Dunfermline West Baptist Church and Dunoon Baptist Church. More information available at www.scottishbaptist.com/prayer.

Wed 11th Nov: Life group: Unbreakable Courage – A Journey Through Elijah's Story. Using Max Lucado's study, we'll journey through the life of Elijah and discover how God gives us courage to stand strong, trust Him in uncertain times, and live with courageous faith. Two opportunities. One purpose: growing deeper in Christ and stronger together. Everyone is welcome. **Session 5 Unbreakable Courage: Don't Kiss The Snake** at Pauline & Stuart's Home

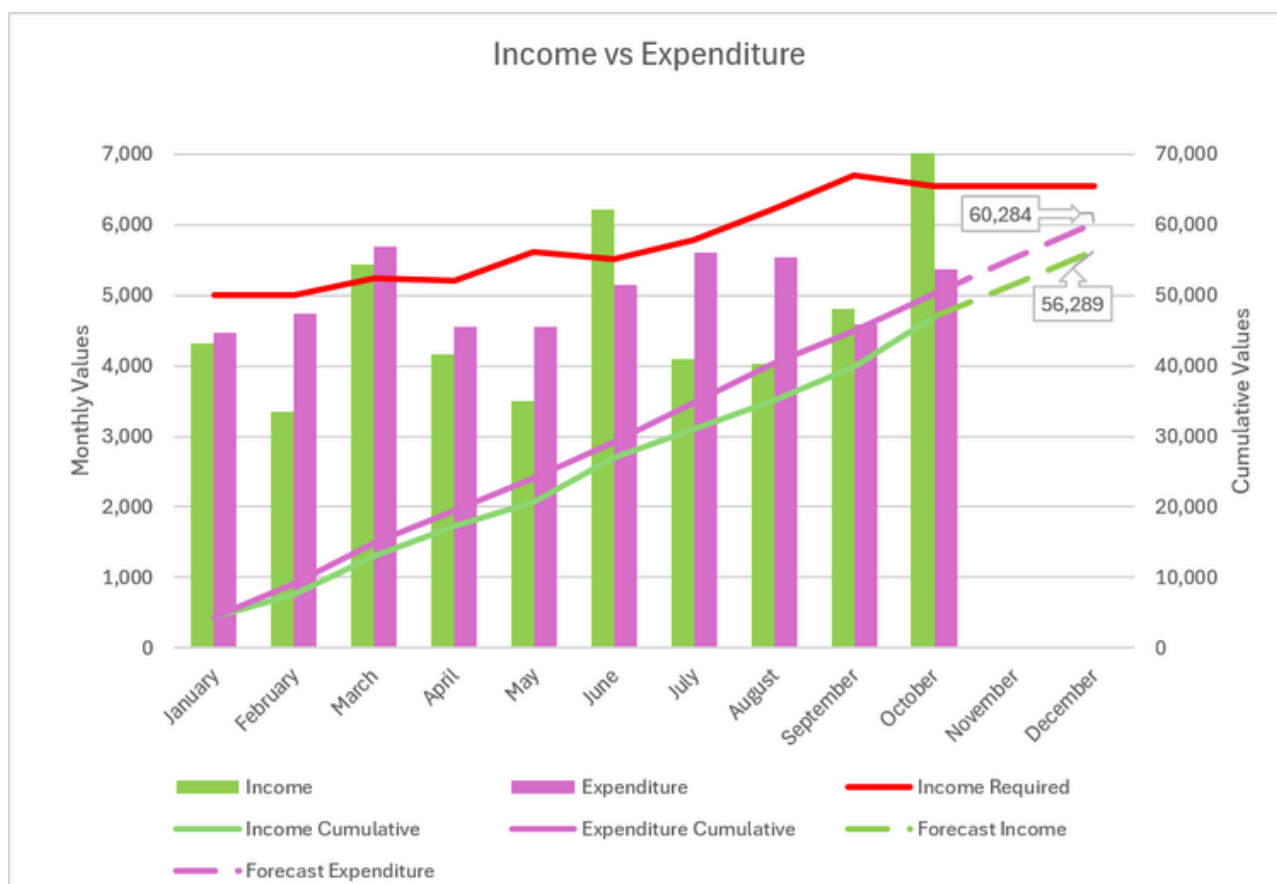
ABC Kids: 4pm we continue in our series UNSTOPPABLE - Session 5 Nehemiah Ready to Build

Sat 14th Nov: ADCC Joint Churches Prayer Breakfast 8:00am in Rosskeen Free Church Achnagarron

TearFund Big Quiz Night at 7:30pm in Alness Baptist Church. Maximum team size of six. Suggested donation of £5 per person.

Tues 17th Nov: Deacon's Meeting at 11:00am in Pastor's Office

Wed 18th Nov: Church Business Meeting at 7:30pm - in person or on Zoom. Anyone wishing to add an item to the agenda please speak to Robert or Stuart



Columns in graph show income and expenditure per month read against the values on the left hand side. The red line shows the amount of income required to meet our forecast expenditure, also read against left hand side

The solid lines show our income and expenditure for the year so far. The dotted lines show forecast values to year end based on our year to date figures. All line values (except red line) should be read against the values to the right hand side.

Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal - yes it is that time again. See below for more details. Boxes to be returned by Sunday 1st November for delivery to Blythswood by 7th November



Shoe Box Appeal 2026 Filler Ideas

<p>Woman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make-up Sanitary products Shampoo Nail varnish Small scissors Tape measure 	<p>Elderly woman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hand cream Folding walking stick Slippers Candle Tin cup Small clock Tights 	<p>Girl/Boy age 3 - 12 <small>(Please choose items appropriate to the age of child you have chosen)</small></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sewing/craft kit Chalk Paint by numbers Paints Colouring/sticker book Crayons/Stationery Jewellery Socks T-shirt Pyjamas Toy car/truck Skipping ropes Lego Board game Small ball Playing cards 	<p>Teenage Girl/Boy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make-up Craft kit Jewellery Hair brush Nail varnish Hair band Manicure set Tennis ball Puzzles Board game Wind-up torch Dominoes Deodorant Thermal vest
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Blythswood request that each shoebox contains a toothbrush and toothpaste, underwear, soap, sweets, toy/gift, scarf, gloves and hat