

## Christmas Cards

Our Christmas cards for 2023 are now available to purchase. The winner of our design competition this year was Rebecca Dock from Buckie. They look great and are printed on good quality card. The verse inside reads *A child will be born to us. A son will be given to us. Isaiah 9:6* The wording inside is *May your Christmas be blessed with peace, joy and happiness*



They come in packs of 10 with envelopes at the cost of £4.50 per pack plus p&p. If you would like to order them please contact Jennifer at

[admin@prospectsacrossscotland.org.uk](mailto:admin@prospectsacrossscotland.org.uk)

A great way to support and highlight the work of PAS.

They will also be on sale at the Annual Celebration in Inverness on 28th October.

## Michael's Story

I first went to church in Livingston where I was in the Sunday School and Boys Brigade – I enjoyed shining my belt and shoes.

Later my family moved to Kennoway where I am a member of St Kenneth's church. I love the church – it feels like home to me and God is always there for me. I'm on the welcome team and a church cleaner – doing the hoovering and dusting every Thursday. Sometimes I pray in the service.

I go to the WoW group with my girlfriend – I love singing and Makaton signing and hearing about God. I like to pray for others – prayer makes the world a better place.

I have Downs syndrome and that is good – my disability makes me feel special.

I go to the Prospects coffee mornings on Zoom and that helps me make new friends. At the Prospects choir I love to sing – I was born to be a singer.

Jesus is a gentleman, a good man and it's good to follow him. I pray to him a lot at home, and I take my wee cross out with me to remind me to be bold and strong.

I wish I could see Jesus and give him a cuddle.

**Michael Wilkie, WoW Group, Kennoway**



## Over half way

We are delighted to have gone over the half way mark and have now raised the amazing sum of **£11,173.67**.

Thanks to all of you who have donated and got us to this point. We ask that you continue to support us and help us reach our target of £20,000. The funding is needed to be able to reach more people with learning disabilities and autism and support more churches to welcome and disciple them in a relevant way.

There are many ways to raise money and every donation, big or small, will be much appreciated, whether it be a monthly standing order or you organise a small fundraising Tartan Tea, or other events, in your own home for a few friends.

Have fun coming up with ideas on how money could be raised. Share them with us on our Facebook page and encourage others to join in the race to £20,000

With your help we can do it.

PAS Team

## 20k for 2023



## New Trustees

God in his goodness has raised up new trustees and we will introduce them to you in our next newsletter.

However, more trustees are still needed, could that be you?

Contact Ivy for more details.

## Tulliallan Holiday Weekend 2023



Our annual holiday weekend was held in May this year and was a blessing in all ways, even sunny weather was included.

The friendship and fellowship is a huge part of the weekend but learning more about Jesus and how to live our lives for him was the main focus. We learnt through praise, prayer, drama and talks to name a few. A joyful time indeed.



## Learning more about Jesus on Zoom

We have 2 **Bible Buddies** groups where we look at parts of the Bible and chat about what it means.

**Precious Gems** is our online Prospects group. We sing, look at the Bible, pray and enjoy being together.

**Prospects Choir** is a great time to sing together or just come to listen.

### Speak up Course

A 2 session course for people with learning disabilities to help them develop their skills and confidence as speakers.

## Dates for your diary

- ◆ PAS AGM, Monday October 9th, 2pm on Zoom
- ◆ Annual Celebration, Saturday 28th October, 12.30 - 4 pm at Culduthel Christian Centre, Inverness
- ◆ Christmas Carol Concert, Saturday 2nd December, Castlehill Church, Ayr at 2 pm
- ◆ Tulliallan Holiday Weekend 17th-19th May 2024

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## Supporting the work of Prospects Across Scotland

- By praying - if you don't already get our prayer diary please ask Jennifer
- By giving financially - either a one-off gift or by monthly standing order – see details on our website or contact Ivy
- By shopping - register with Give as you live <https://www.giveasyoulive.com/>  
Please remember to use our full name **Prospects Across Scotland** when registering
- By offering practical help as a Trustee, in groups and at events.