

Congregational Noticeboard

SHOEBOX APPEAL

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who filled shoeboxes this year. This was the best year ever!! Well over 200 boxes were handed over to Blythswood Care at the beginning of November for distribution to the families in Eastern Europe.

A special thank you must also go to some of the residents in Barleystone Home at Westquarter who made up 10 shoeboxes.

Sadly, Mrs Pollock, my dear lady from Bathgate, who has supported our Shoebox appeal over the last 5 years, passed away on 29th September, aged 94. During the first 9 months of the year, Mrs Pollock was busy crocheting, and broke her previous record and contributed an assortment of hats and scarves.

A lovely lady who will be sadly missed.

Many, many thanks for your generosity!

Isobel Cochrane



Songs of Praise on the Costa Del Sol

On the last Sunday of our holiday, I decided to attend the "Songs of Praise" Service at a small castle in the centre of Benalmadena on the Costa Del Sol.

It overlooked the Mediterranean and the windows were made of wrought iron. A lovely summer breeze floated in and looking out you could see the palm trees swaying gently and the boats and cruise liners sailing past.

I was greeted warmly and invited to wait for tea after the service. All the hymns chosen for the service were by Fanny Crosby, the lady who was blind from three weeks old who penned some of the loveliest hymns we know – 'Tell me the old old story', 'Safe in the arms of Jesus', and many more.

It was an uplifting experience, and although the church was small, it was filled to capacity and everyone was singing their hearts out and enjoying themselves.

Betty Glen

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