



Reta Burns in England

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Dear Supporters,

Marcia and I began to plan what we could do in November to be prepared for all that needed to be done for our Christmas outreaches, so that there wouldn't be pressure when it all started at the beginning of December. On October 30, Marcia received a telephone call saying that her sister Linda's cancer had returned and that it was more aggressive. Marcia knew that she had to go back to Minnesota right away to spend time with her.

Quick plans were put together for her flight (London, to Dallas, to Minnesota) in order for her to arrive early enough to see her sister on the same day. She made it by 8pm and spent about 3 hours with her sister that evening. Sadly, her sister passed away early the next morning. Marcia was away for two and a half weeks.

We quickly learn to appreciate someone more when they are not there. I felt that when trying to bake cakes and scones for our cake day and managing all our other ministries. As I don't drive, I found taking the bus into Market Harborough (only 5 miles away) was frustrating when discovering that the timetable had changed. However, I found some lovely new friends from our town of Desborough and loved watching the teenage students who also took the bus into town.

December's outreaches included two Christmas dinners, Cake Day, a Carol service and a Christmas Eve service as well as making individual Christmas cakes to give as gifts to Coffee Morning attendees and shut ins.

January's highlight was a baptism in the town's river (our inflatable pool had a hole in it). Although the temperature was extremely cold, it was a day of rejoicing with her family and friends. It also took place on our church's 21st Anniversary.

Thank you for your prayers and support. We are in changing days and not all for the best, but our God is faithful!

In Christ,

Reta Burns



Christmas Dinner



Baptism



Church Dinner



Cake Day Witnessing



Blind Book Club



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