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## Five Years!!!

The Wheels have been in motion for five years in January, and we have been blown away by the work that God has been doing. It has been so encouraging to see the ministry grow, with numbers changing from a maximum of 12 or 13, to 50 or 60! It is sad to see so much need in our community, but encouraging to see people engaging with services, where we have the chance to share Gods love in action. Many conversations revert back to why we do what we do - which of course allows us to share about the love of God, and his desire to know them personally, and turn their lives around.

## From daunting to queuing

Sometimes coming to the bus can be a daunting thought for people on their own... For the first few weeks, Jean would come along, standing a safe distance from the bus. As we went out to chat with her and take her food, we were able to start building a relationship and gaining her trust. We now have the pleasure of seeing Jean come along every week, literally queuing to be first on the bus! She is never in a hurry to leave either, waiting for the prayer time before collecting hugs from the volunteers on her way out. A joy to have around, she never ceases to make us smile!

## Little Things

Sometimes it's the little things that make a big difference! Thursday nights are always busy, getting everything organised and stocked before heading out to our first stop. You can imagine the pleasant surprise we got to arrive and find the bus had been all cleaned for us! One of our volunteers, Bill, has taken it upon himself to pop round in advance and get the bus 'spic and span' and ready to go out each week! What a great help this is - we are very grateful!



The pleasure is written all over the faces of the folks at the bus, when Jim arrives with a big pot of Stovies!! Most weeks we stick to rolls, cup a soups and biscuits, so it is a real luxury to get a homemade treat, of which Jim is an expert - often spoiling us with banana loaf too!



## Guilds and Schools

We have been delighted to have the opportunity to share about the work of Wheels in motion at many women's guilds, and the support we have received following these has been amazing - we are so thankful for all of the contributions. We have also had the privilege of going along to schools now too! It is a great opportunity to share with young people the devastation that can be caused by drug and alcohol abuse, and has raised a lot of interest, particularly with teenagers. One Primary School were so keen to do something to help that they baked cakes for us to give out and designed posters to show those struggling with homelessness the various services that are available to them.

## Clients Supporting Us!

Kenny, one of our regular clients who looks forward to the bus every week, decided he wanted to do his bit to help, bringing along a selection of biscuits to be distributed to the others. Kenny loves coming along for the conversations with the volunteers, as well as his rolls in cheese and pickle! It is always encouraging when those we are supporting want to get on board and start to help others in their own way.



## Shiny New Website

Our new look website kicked off in September and we are very excited about the new options it brings. We have a photo gallery to share all of the moments we capture along the way and so many new features! A big thanks to Stewart Rollo for all the time spent creating the new website. It's the same address so why not pop over and have a look at: [www.wheels-in-motion.org](http://www.wheels-in-motion.org)

We also had great success with the launch of our Facebook page and have 230 'likes' so far! It's been a great way to keep in touch and really helped publicise the christmas coffee morning and keep in touch about how much we made. If you've not seen it yet, take a look, you'll get all the real time updates at : [facebook.com/wheelsinmotionayrshire](https://facebook.com/wheelsinmotionayrshire). A big thanks to Peter Ferrier for setting up the facebook page and for getting us set up on BT's "MyDonate". You can now donate via the website and be assured that we get the full donation!





We had our very first Christmas coffee morning this year, and were absolutely delighted with the result! Not only did we raise a tremendous amount of money, but also had the opportunity to encourage a number of local talents to showcase their skills by hosting stalls with all kinds of gifts and goodies. This proved to be very popular with all who attended, and many people got a wee start made to their Christmas shopping! It was also so lovely to have Libby along to help, after meeting her at the bus a number of years ago. Libby received a pleasant surprise after all of her hard work, when her name was drawn to win a beautiful Christmas hamper! Thank you to Helen Hendrie who kindly donated the hamper!



## Prayer requests

Continued guidance and provision for the future  
Safety for both volunteers and clients  
Progress for clients, both practically and spiritually  
For Clients who need to make a decision about committing to a rehabilitation programme

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“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in”  
Matthew 25v35

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