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Throughout the New Year

Throughout the New Year, and each step of the way,
May Christ be your portion, your joy, and your stay.

With God's precious precepts, your daily delight,
To lead and encourage in paths that are right.

"The Lord is my Shepherd," how precious the word!
He'll lead in green pastures, His promise we've heard.

"Beside the still waters," what comfort and rest!
What peace there is found, leaning on Jesus' breast!

His goodness and mercy each day may you prove,
His comforting presence, His infinite love!

With richest compassions, each morning anew,
May multiplied mercies be showered on you.

"My cup runneth over," His grace so abounds,
That fullest enjoyment in Jesus is found.

"The Lord is my portion," this may your soul say,
And you will be happy, each step of the way.

- Lois Beckwith -

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



What a blessed night as we celebrated the real *Reason for the Season*. Singers, Musicians and others excelled as they presented a wonderful, anointed programme. Afterwards we enjoyed some delicious festive treats as we fellowshiped together. Thank you to everyone who made this such a special night.

A SNAPSHOT OF A BUSY SEASON IN OUR CHURCH...



Little Beacons & Anchor Boys were certainly excited to see Santa at their B.B. Christmas party.

3rd Ballymoney Boys' Brigade held a Christmas Jumper night and raised £60 for the Children's Heartbeat Trust, BBNI's chosen charity of the year. Well done everyone!



Crazy Golf was a hit with Junior and Company section B.B. boys.



G.B. Senior & Brigader girls enjoyed a trip to the Cinema.



G.B. Explorers taking a break from all the activity!



G.B. Junior Section girls enjoying the festive treats.



Some of the children from Sunday School who were very happy to see Santa!

Santa & Mrs. Claus took time out of their busy schedule to visit Happitots!



Lots of smiling faces at the Kidzone Christmas party!

A huge thank you to Captains, Officers, Youth Leaders, Helpers and Sunday School Teachers who make Children's Ministry so special in our Church.

"And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord ..."
Colossians 3:23

We would like to say how overwhelmed we were by your very generous Love Gift and the cards and messages sent to our home.
Your practical love and thoughtfulness moved us beyond words.
Thank you all for your kindness, God bless you.
Pastor Jonathan & Pastor Yvonne

CHRISTMAS EVE

“O Come let us adore Him”



We felt God's Presence in the Sanctuary as we worshipped together on Christmas Eve morning.
Thank you to everyone who took part including our Festive Singing Puppets!

CHERISH A CHILD



Throughout December, food hampers were delivered to **29** needy homes and **76** children across the Ballymoney area were blessed. **A BIG thank you** to everyone who gave to our Alternative Christmas Gift Scheme. The wonderful total of **£3,260** was raised.

HAPPY DAYS PLAYGROUP NATIVITY

Many parents, friends and relatives came to see the Playgroup's grand production of 'The First Nativity' in the Fellowship Hall. **A BIG thank you** to Lyndal and her team.



CAR BOOT SALE

During **2023**, the magnificent total of **£12,554** was raised for the **New Sanctuary Fund** through the Car Boot sales. We so appreciate the team who give of their time so willingly to work in this ministry.

Next Sale on Sat. 27th Jan @ 11am

MAUD'S PENNIES

Also during **2023**, the wonderful sum of **£8,331** was raised for the **New Sanctuary Fund**. A big thank you to Sylvia & Hugh for counting all the donations and to those who gave.
May God richly bless you.