

# The Scottish Baptist Lay Preachers' Association

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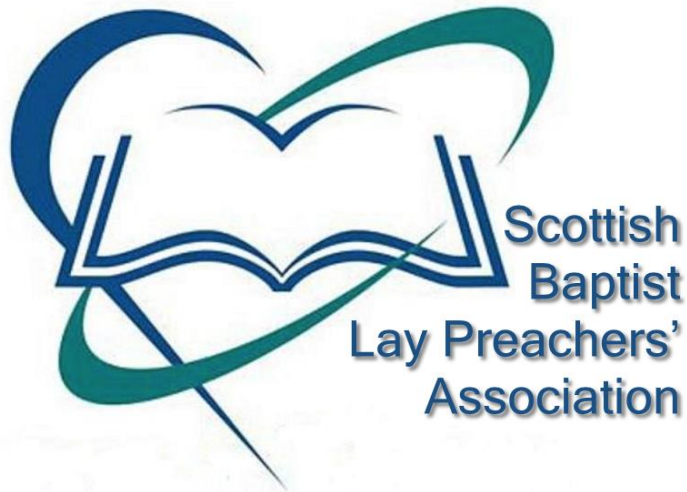
*'Helping to Grow Healthy Churches in Scotland'*



# Today we are ...

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- a key ministry within the Scottish Baptist family
- a valued resource to Baptist and evangelical churches all over Scotland
- a recognised vehicle to help develop gifting in preaching, teaching and communication
- a growing and vibrant network with around 90 members





# Last year we undertook ...

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- 1,840 services
- that's almost 4 times more than 10 years ago
- 1,227 of which were in 109 Scottish Baptist churches
- that's 65% of all Scottish Baptist churches
- 339 were in 100 evangelical churches across Scotland
- 177 were in a range of areas, from prisons to conferences, and
- 97 were overseas - even a cruise ship!

# We make a difference ...

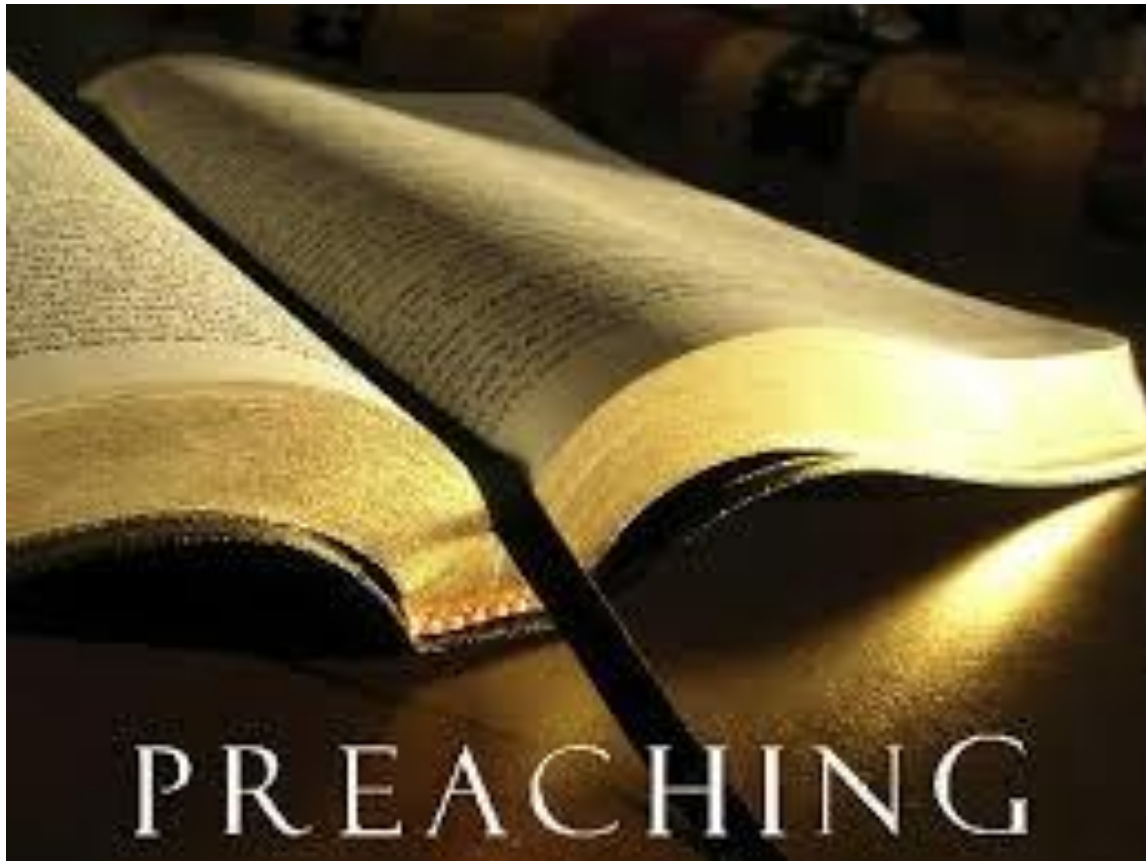


- by preaching to hundreds of people every week in Scotland
- by sowing the seed of God's Word in churches throughout the nation of Scotland
- by affirming, resourcing and encouraging lay preachers' to develop their God given gift



# Preaching and Teaching

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# To all ages

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# In larger churches

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# In medium size churches





**And in smaller churches too**



**Maybe even in your church!**

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# Here's a few of the churches we helped last year ...



- Airdrie Baptist Church
- Arran Baptist Church
- Bearsden Baptist Church
- Cambuslang Baptist Church
- Carluke Baptist Church
- Dumfries Baptist Church
- Elgin Baptist Church
- Fort William Baptist Church
- Galashiels Baptist Church

# Baptist Churches in Scotland that drew on us ...



- Hamilton Baptist Church
- Hawick Baptist Church
- Inverness Baptist Church
- Kilmarnock Baptist Church
- Lossiemouth Baptist Church
- Motherwell Baptist Church
- New Prestwick Baptist Church
- Oban Baptist Church
- Peterhead Baptist Church

# Churches that now look to us for pulpit supply ...



- Pitlochry Baptist Church
- Portobello Baptist Church
- Queen's Park Baptist Church
- Rosyth Baptist Church
- Selkirk Baptist Church
- Southside Christian Fellowship
- Thurso Baptist Church
- Wigtown Baptist Church
- ..... and many, many others!



# We now have ...

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- a membership consistently growing and attracting younger preachers;
- a range of training events every other year known as 'REACH'
- a network of regional relational groups known as 'RELATE'
- a mentoring programme accredited and adding value;
- a personal review workbook to help reflect on the lifestyle that sustains and enriches ministry;
- a yearly residential at Gartmore!





# Our Prayer is ...

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- to keep Jesus at the centre of all we are and all we do
- to allow the Word of God to have authority for our belief, as well as our behaviour
- to give the Holy Spirit freedom to move within us, among us and through us
- to discover a new depth and reality in fellowship and in serving each other
- to have an unquestionable priority on prophetically preaching the Word in and out of season

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