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We are moving to Bournemouth

Having nearly completed the two years of training in Perth we will be moving to Bournemouth on the south coast of England for the next stage of my training. I will be working with Signature Technicair for two years to gain maintenance experience and start to fill my logbook.

Jo is planning to continue her job, working remotely for Castle Water. Her line manager has given his approval for this but we are still waiting for confirmation from her management.

One exam to go for Nathanael (but it's a big one).

I finished all the theory for the course three weeks ago and am now stuck into two months of practical tasks in the hanger. We remove, inspect and refit components. We also get to do minor structural repair and a bit of troubleshooting. The aircraft we have in the hanger is larger and more complex than anything I have worked on before, so its exiting putting the theory into practice. It's fairly laid back and fun and gives me plenty of time to revise for my last exam.

My last exam is currently scheduled for 12th January (subject to change) and covers everything from the last six months. In October there was an assessment day for new candidates for the MAF training program in the hanger at Perth. I enjoyed meeting some colleagues and the guys who will be starting this course in the spring.



All the course notes for my last exam. And a wheel and brake inspection.

Other news

We are still enjoying our time in Perth but have recently given up the mountains for the lowlands to avoid the dark and mist. We have also been enjoying spending time with church family we have continued to play bowls and we also celebrated Thanksgiving with the young adults group at church. Jo continues to enjoy working with the youth and Sunday school.

We are thankful to have almost two weeks at Christmas to see family and friends. Jo will have to work remotely for some of this time and Nathanael will also have to study. We will be spending Christmas in Norwich with Nathanael's family.

We hope you all have a great Christmas celebrating Jesus' birth.



Nathanael's 50th and Jo's 30th
Munro (Mountain over 3,000ft in
Scotland).

Please pray

Praise God for many good memories in Perth. Praise

God for time off at Christmas to see family.

Pray for Nathanael's final exam.

Pray that Joanna would be able to keep her job, working remotely from Bournemouth.

Pray for all the practicalities involved in the move to Bournemouth, and finding a house and a church family.

Pray for MAF as they seek to continue to serve communities despite rising fuel costs.

Thank you!

Thank you so much to everyone who has signed up to support us in prayer and financially! It has been such a huge encouragement to see how God has provided for our needs.

If you haven't already done so and you would like to set up a regular giving pledge to help fund my training and work with MAF we would be really grateful. To do so please contact MAF or go to our webpage:

www.maf-uk.org/smith