

Message from A Strathclyde Minister

Did you recently watch TV's 'Pilgrimage: The Road to Santiago', or the film 'The Way' or even a re-run of 'The Wizard of Oz'? It seems pilgrimage is back in vogue. It's something the dictionary describes as, 'a holy expedition'. A journey where we meet fellow travellers; to wrestle with and hopefully lay down some of our personal burdens, to dream new dreams, to discover a deeper sense of God, ourselves and others. It is the road to holiness, the road 'home'

For the past five years we (the Circuit) have shared that road with Rev. Terry and Rev. Gordon and each of us will have our own memories of the work they have pioneered, supported, sustained and completed. However, travelling the Pilgrim Way with them has given us much more than a 'job well done' list. Like the pilgrims of the Camino, the 'Yellow Brick Road' and indeed St. Paul, they have held nothing back, but have shared their very selves. It has been a time of real enrichment as we have walked the road to holiness in Strathclyde together. So, thank you Terry and Gordon for sharing yourselves.

In a few weeks Terry leaves for Orpington and Gordon for Knaresborough with their respective families, Shirley and Declan and Becky, Zoe and Joseph, to follow the 'Yellow Brick Road' and offer again what they have offered here: creative thought (scarecrow), courage (lion) and most of all heart (tin man).

We pray for them in their continued ministry, for their families, for those who will stay behind (Jack) and for those with whom they will travel in the future.

Blessings

Anita

PS. We pray too for 'Toto' alias Pepe, that he too will be blessed and be a blessing.