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SERVICE

This Sunday's service will be led by Rev Gary Barclay, and, being the last Sunday in the month, there will be an opportunity to donate to Start Up Stirling.

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH (2) IRAN

Sahar in Iran was forced to leave her home and children when she chose to follow Jesus. As a woman and a convert, she had no rights. Around the world, millions of Christian women face persecution for their faith and their gender. All too often, their suffering goes hidden and unnoticed. In some cultures, sexual violence is used to intentionally shame and stigmatise victims and their families and communities. At the same time, many Christian women are left with little support for themselves and their children when their husbands are imprisoned or killed for their faith. Open Doors and Release International work with local churches to provide practical and financial support for women in such circumstances. Isolated believers are visited regularly so that they might enjoy fellowship and be strengthened in their faith. Trauma-healing workshops are run to help Christians respond biblically and in a Christ-like way to severe persecution.

Murrayfield U. F. Church
are hosting a



on

Friday 26 April

at 7-30pm

in

Bannockburn Enterprise Hub
(Former Royal Bank of Scotland)

Cost £5 per person

All Welcome

SUMMER GARDEN TEA PARTIES

Garden tea parties are being planned for the first Thursday of June, July, August and September. If you would like to 'volunteer' your garden please let Jean Hastings or Ann Lomax know. Tea, coffee and cakes are provided; all you need to provide is your garden and seats.

CONNECT GROUPS

Connect Groups will be restarting in May – details to follow.

PLANT SALE

Details of our mail order plant sale will also be coming soon.