

through God to the pulling down of strong holds. 2 Corinthians 10:4

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Thank you for all the Cards and notes at Christmas! We sure do appreciate your care, prayers and support of us as we seek to serve the Lord Jesus here in the Emerald Isle! I can't believe it is 2,020 years since the birth of Jesus! The 21st century sure is racing ahead at breakneck speed! And few are aware of where our world is headed!

In December, in the midst of a packed schedule of events and activities, we installed a beautiful ceiling in our Activity Centre for heat-retention! For the past several months, the folks in church here took up special offerings and raised enough money to drop the ceiling in our building with insulated tiles and with an added layer of insulation on top! Electricians created some beautiful lighting for the room! We are so excited at all that the Lord has enabled us to do with this building!

As far as the Gospel ministry here, it's kind of quiet lately, with some pruning going on. There are a couple of "seasons" in the Gospel ministry that are hard to handle: times of spiritual defeat; times of persecution; times when nothing is happening; and times of pruning. Well, we are experiencing both the *duldrums* and *pruning* right now, and it is no fun. It just seems like no matter what we do, things are not happening like they should. Now to be sure, we Christians know we can't just "make" things happen – that's God's responsibility - He gives the increase (1st Corinthians 3:6,7). But when there is a famine in the land like there is here in Europe, it is



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hard to rest because the lost are still dying around me, without hope and without God! I so much want a spiritual breakthrough so that we can begin to see more people saved here! I yearn for it to be like it was when "I" got saved! And then there are a few people that I and others have poured our lives into that have recently walked away. They quit doing right, and don't care about the Gospel. It hurts! But is necessary sometimes (John 15:1,2)!

Some upcoming events we are busy preparing for as a Church... 1) A huge evangelism push around the Patrick's Day Parade in our town (we are in it as usual), and a church group of 25 people are coming around that time to do some extensive soul-winning! 2) Our annual Men's Spiritual Camp is coming up April 15-18 when we will delve into the heart and life of a man with "an excellent spirit" named Daniel; 3) In June, I will attempt a special **Biblical Insights Meeting**, which will be open to the public to get people to come and learn about the Creation versus Evolution issue, and about the End Times that we are so evidently in; 4) Our Victory Youth Camp runs from July 29 – August 3, and we will learn a ton of stuff from Adam and Eve as they "Made History!"

We depend upon your prayers for all we do! Please pray for Mary H to grow; for Melita M, Lisa O'D, and David S who are not saved yet. Pray for young men here to answer God's call to preach and lead Irish and European churches. We desperately need men who are saved to step up to all kinds of leadership. I am always asking God for more people who would "serve with me in the gospel" here in Ireland. (Philippians 2:22).

> Would YOU pray with me for more fellow-labourers in the Gospel ministry here? Thank you! We love and appreciate you as you co-labour with us!

Up-to-date information on what's happening here in Ireland is available at: www.biblebc.com

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