



## MISSIONARIES TO IRELAND

## **MINISTRY UPDATE**

JULY 2023

Greetings from Ireland! We are always excited about the wonderful things that God is doing here, and we rejoice in His provision and wonder-working power over the last several months.











Our family has been enjoying the days of sunshine and warmth that are few and fleeting during our Irish summer. The kids are off of school for the summer, and they have loved splashing in the pool, playing at the playground with friends, and continuing their training in Camogie, Hurling, and Irish Football. Lydia especially has been thriving; she is feisty and confident and doesn't ever let the older kids run roughshod over her!

We had the joy of having some company recently stay with us for a couple of weeks. Ron and Jillian Ragsdale from Jacksonville, FL came to serve with us and be a blessing to our family. They helped us work on the church building, handle registration for Holiday Bible Club, and keep an eye on the kids. They brought such joy and refreshment to our family, and we are so thankful for their care for us.

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We also worked hard to prepare the upstairs of the building to be kidfriendly, as we had a Holiday Bible Club planned for the first week in July. The transformation has been stunning! Walls were torn out to reveal large windows, plaster and paint and carpet were all applied in record time to produce a fantastic result. We are so proud of all of those who helped to make it the perfect place for kids. Once the building purchase is finalised, we have plans to further transform this space. New paint, storage, and movable partition walls will really enhance the usability of this space.

A team from Canton Baptist Temple arrived shortly after the paint was dry to run a **Holiday Bible Club**. They had planned this trip for months, and their attention to detail was evident in the incredible job that they did. Throughout the week, over thirty children attended, the majority of which are not a part of our church. We were able to connect with multiple families, and all of the kids heard the Gospel every day.















The best part is that two children were saved during an invitation! We are so grateful for all of the work and support from the group.

On the Sunday following HBC, we did a special service where we highlighted all that the kids learned. We had a great attendance with several families attending the church for the first time. We were able to present the Gospel again to the children present as well as their families. Please pray that we would continue to see fruit from the week!

Thank you so much for your prayers and your support! Our hearts are filled with joy when we think of you all. God bless you!

John, Emily, Abigail, Josiah, Micah, Noah and Lydia Slater

## **Praises & Prayers**

- 1. Pray for our disciples and disciplers.
- 2. Pray for Mallow Bible Fellowship and Tralee Bible Fellowship.
- 3. Pray for Emily's continuing medical needs.

- 4. Pray for the purchase of the building for the church in Mallow.
- 5. Would you please prayerfully consider joining our ministry?