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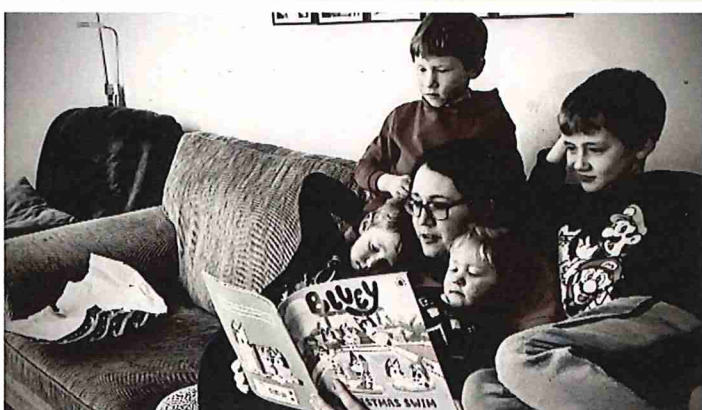


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MINISTRY UPDATE

JANUARY 2024

Happy New Year from Ireland! We are so excited about all of the things that the Lord has in store for 2024, but we want to recognise the many wonderful things He has already done this year.



We have just finished wrapping up our fall term for homeschooling, and the kids are learning and doing so many exciting things. They have enjoyed all of the festivities of the holidays, including making Christmas cards, decorating the house with lights and garland, making special treats in the kitchen with mom, and learning to recite the Christmas story. One of the new things that we did this year to honour the Lord was to read through the story of the Gospel from creation to the birth of Christ, creating crafts or treats to remember each story. What an incredible opportunity Christmas is to solidify the Gospel in the hearts of our kids!

Our church has been growing both spiritually and numerically over the past few months, and we are already experiencing the wonderful problem of where to put everyone! As you know, the wheels of bureaucracy move slowly, but we hope to take ownership of the church building this month. This will allow us to begin making many of the additional improvements to the building necessary to use it to its full potential. Please pray with us that the papers will be signed soon!

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Our congregation has also enjoyed celebrating the birth of Christ by worshiping together every Sunday, reaching out to their friends and neighbours to invite them to special events, and in an effort to gather food together in order to help people in our community in need. Carols were sung, food was prepared and shared with love and joy, and many found hope this year through the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Praise the Lord for the gift of His Son!



We have also been praying for quite some time that more people would volunteer to lead worship and participate in running the audio visual aspects of our services. Our desire is to train others to take ownership over all areas of ministry in the church, and this particular ministry has relied heavily upon us for many years. But God, in His kindness and good timing, has just recently moved several families in our church to express interest in helping in these areas, including several Ukrainian men who have plenty of experience doing so in their home country. Please pray that all those who have volunteered will find joy in serving the Lord!

Thank you so much for praying that the Lord would secure a home for our missionary friend to live in when he comes to help us plant a church in Fermoy. We have found him an excellent location, and we are excited to see how God is going to use him in this new ministry!

The Lord has been working in the hearts of several incredible people about serving Him here in Mallow. Mary Coburn, a former missionary to England, has felt the call to move to Ireland to work with our team! She spent time with us this past year, and she has received approval from her board to change fields. She is currently in the process of raising the rest of her financial support so that she can join us as soon as possible. Please pray that she will experience the protection and provision of the Lord as she continues to travel in the United States.

Finally, we have been able to do quite a bit of counselling and discipleship in the past several weeks that has opened up new doors of evangelism for us. We sense that several are very open to the Gospel, and we are praying that the Lord will have free reign in their hearts. Please pray with us that these precious souls will soon find salvation.

As always, we thank you all so much for your prayers and your support. You are often on our hearts and minds, and we are forever grateful for the impact you are making here in Ireland. May God bless you richly!

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

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?