

ANDREW & SHAWN CANAVAN

CHURCH PLANTING IN IRELAND

GOD OPENS DOORS!

We are excited to host our third Holiday Bible Club (VBS) in just a few weeks. In the past two years, these have been specially blessed outreaches in Galway. We might even say unexpectedly blessed. While our church Sunday school class is small, we have had 30 to 40 children attend our Bible camp. In the early stages of planning for this year, we had an unexpected challenge of renting the community centre which has been perfect the previous years. Between technical database glitches and shortages of personnel, we could not book at first, and then were able to book only partially. It seemed like a spiritual battle, as other summer camps already had rooms rented and we were not allowed! But the Lord broke through using a kind gentleman with whom we have been able to build relationship. After weeks of praying together at Wednesday Bible study, the way has been opened for us to host our third Bible camp. Prayers appreciated as we now have 29 registered to-date.



John & Tito
at the Bible Table

with Dr. Strouse
at Seminary



Clare turns 5!

Luigi
passing out tracts



BIBLE TABLE & KNOCKING DOORS

Our weekly evangelism schedule consists of Tuesday night door-knocking and our Saturday Bible stand in Galway City. Both have been blessed with solid, Gospel conversations each week. Tito, a quieter 16-year-old with mild autism, is faithful to join every Saturday and stand with me at the Bible table. He greatly encourages us with his simple, courageous commitment to serve. Other men in the church have also taken time to stand at our Bible table. There are quieter times, but then sometimes it bursts into action, with lively chatter and people accepting Bibles. Of course the number one question I ask people is, "Do you know for sure that you're going to heaven?" (All Catholics say no, thus from here I can introduce the truth of Christ's full payment of sin and the certainty of salvation.) It seems that Tuesday night door-knocking finds more working men home and has led again to many solid Gospel conversations. Please pray for **Martin, Vlad, Stephen, & Stefan**.

Shawn is now having frequent playdates with our neighbor Teresa and her toddler son Conor, and has been able to speak about spiritual topics with her while the children play. A neighbour of ours, (Tom) who often walks his dog to our lake, has recently been born again but is confused on some points of theology. While he attends a Charismatic church, we have had many lengthy Bible conversations. Clare, Cian, and Caireann are growing so quick and thanks be to God, are an encouragement to many. Clare begins kindergarten in the fall and Caireann gets all the attention from the church ladies with her sweet smiles. It has been great fun to see Clare and Cian at the place where they can serve in church too, namely by setting up the room for services each week. Thank you for your prayers, we covet them greatly!

PRAYER REQUESTS

SALVATION: Emma, **Roberto, Michelle**, Michael & Emma, **Radek**, Joanna, Mohammad, Bashar, Martin

GROWTH: Margaret, John, Martin, Sean, Rhona,

SPECIAL: upcoming Holiday Bible Club, wisdom, fruitfulness, boldness

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