

We have had a wonderful summer full of activity and great weather, which ended with a few weeks



together for a Baptist World Mission family camp in the U.S. We also had precious time with Josiah and Caroline while there.

Regarding ministry, we have had our ups and downs, encouragements and discouragements. Although our Wednesday attendance has held steady, Sunday attendance began to diminish over the summer and has not quite recovered. We average perhaps 70% capacity now.

Unfortunately, immediately after being baptized, Finn and Caoimhe (Queeva) left the church. There was no reason given, just a desire to check out other churches and be generally non-committal. As you could imagine, it has been difficult for our congregation to see people profess

faith, take steps forward, and leave church for no real reason. Please pray with us that the LORD will bring in precious souls who are so hungry for God that they will be committed to discipleship. Andrew and Kinga, who were also baptized, remain faithful. I continue to do Bible studies with Vera and Prince. Please do pray for the LORD to continue to heal their hearts after the loss of their son. Felipe and Nayane continue to grow in their hunger for the Word, and Taiwo and Alejandra continue in discipleship Bible studies. Jenny continues to minister to the ladies, and they are responding well 😊

Our youth camp went very well. I mentioned already in an update that three precious teens (from three different churches, including ours) came to Christ. Also, our Bible club (VBS) went very well. We reached out to about 34 kids, and one, Sofija, started coming to Sunday school, but then she stopped. Please specifically pray that we will see a number of kids coming out to church. Pray with us that the LORD will bring in families who are really burdened for their children to grow up learning about Christ.



In the next few days, we look forward to hosting Pastor Chris Blevins and three other men from his church. They are coming over specifically to replace all our laminate flooring in our church building with LVP vinyl planks that are 100% waterproof. As we began work, the Lord sent a few men along, unbelievers, to do volunteer work on our church. Please remember Robbie in prayer. He didn't have an interest when he came, but his heart is definitely softening. Ian has also become tender, but he needs to take some further steps towards Christ as He works.

We have spent the last few weeks tearing up the floor and dumping it. All the downstairs is leveled and screeded, and we are ready to begin to lay the floor on

Monday. The church is really encouraged about the progress.

Regarding the mosque, by way of reminder, the county council approved their planning permission. Recognizing the location to be completely wrong, the planning board (An Bord Pleanála) overturned the council decision. Now it has gone to the courts for a judicial review. The next date is October 5th. Please pray that the judge upholds the "no" decision. In the meantime, Fatih opened a Halal shop right beside us. We went out for breakfast on Tuesday, and I gave him the Gospel. He is thinking and wants to meet again.

On the family front, Jenny is back in the homeschool chair for another year. Josiah has put ministry plans on temporary hold while Caroline finishes her internship for her Early Childhood degree. Josh had a tremendous summer with us as he interned. He graduated from MBU with an associate's degree with a music emphasis. He is now taking pastoral studies at Providence Baptist College and is having a fantastic time. Hannah has begun her one-year secretarial course, and John is now in 10th grade (4th year). The LORD is really working in their hearts! 😊

Thank you for all your faithful support over the years,

Les, Jenny, Hannah (18), and John (15) Hill Missionaries to IRELAND