

# Ledbetter's IRELAND UPDATE

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For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds. 2 Corinthians 10:4

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Dear Precious Friends in the Ministry!

**First of all**, let me say THANK you for all the Christmas cards that were sent to us with so many expressions of love and prayers for our ministries here in Ireland! **It is very precious to us that you care about us, and write us!** We were ever so blessed this Christmas with ALL of our children home for the first time in over 5 years! Our daughter Sharon and her husband Luke from California was here, along with Joel and his wife Liz from Arkansas! But the best part was our 1 ½ year old grandson, Noah being in our arms! Growing old ain't so bad! God truly blessed the entire Christmas season with special memories of just being together and doing some simple things in honour of the birth of His precious Son 2,010 years ago!

**New Believers!** We have had many new visitors over the past two months! But some have made the life changing decision to follow Jesus Christ! **Tony** started coming with his family in January, and was blown away by what he heard! He and his wife had given up long ago on the Catholic church's form of religion, and decided to visit our church! Since that time, Tony says he has now repented and simply believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, and he is not the same man he was just a month ago! I believe his wife **Collette** has also been saved as well, but just hasn't told anyone yet! We will see! He and his wife are faithfully coming to church every week, but please pray for their 4 sons to be saved as well! Another man named **Cormac** has started coming, and just this past Friday, met with me, and was so ready to repent and believe on the finished work of Jesus Christ! What a thrill to see grown men and women changed by simply looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith!

**Progress on the Building Purchase.** Here is the summary: there is a building that with all my heart I believe we are supposed to buy and use as a church until we can get some property and build a "proper" building. That building costs on the order of **\$810,000**. It is a phenomenal amount of money, but that is the cost of things here! We currently have saved up almost **\$240,000**, 75% of which has been raised amongst our church people, but the remaining 25% has come from the sacrificial giving of many of my supporting churches! Thank You! We need at least 30% of the total purchase price as a down payment. We almost have that amount! Once we get the down payment, we then will have to convince the bank that we are a good risk to loan the remaining monies to. THEN, the owners of the building will need to accept our bid, which is still less than they are asking! THEN, we have to convince the Irish government to not tax us on the purchase price! And THEN we have to begin modifying the building into a Church on the inside (and we don't have any of that money saved back yet)! All of the above has been in the works for over a year now, but as you can see, there are still several hurdles to stride, but we are learning more and more how to trust and obey our Father's will, and to wait on His timing!



**Loads of Upcoming Events!** We will be having a huge **Evangelism Blitz** during the month of March. Our annual **Men's Spiritual Retreat** will be held in April, and we will be studying **Jonathan** and learning about friendship and how to "sharpen" each other! And then in July we will have our big **Victory Youth Camp**, studying the life and failures of "mighty" **Samson**! We are praying for many souls to be won to Christ, and so many more young lives to be changed! Along with everything else, we are helping one of our men, **Kevin O'Keeffe** start a new church on the other side of Cork City by soul-winning in that area every week. Pray that that the new church takes root and grows!

## Prayer Request Summary

Please pray for the following eternal souls to turn to Jesus Christ! **Michael R, Teresa C, Chris, Sharon H, Tiffany M, Caroline K, Noreen F, Mercy F, Kathleen K, Barry G**, and especially **Ann M** to get saved. We so much want spiritual fruit that remains (John 15:16)! Pray for us to be able to purchase this building here in Ballincollig soon! And please pray for our upcoming evangelistic events!

**We do so love you all, and thank God for you! The Ledbetter Family**

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