

Ledbetter's IRELAND UPDATE

4.7 million
people...



...who need the
Gospel more
than ever



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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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Greetings once again from Ireland! It seems like almost forever since this coronavirus thing took over the world. It makes me get excited at how fast things can change and we could be **gone** at any moment! Woohoo! *“Even so come Lord Jesus!”*

Slowly Opening Up. The Irish government has been rolling back restrictions slowly, and have just now allowed churches to meet again. Technology has its place, but gathering together again is still the best! For the past three months I have learned to preach in my Dining Room to a little green light on the top of my laptop, hoping that my flock was “there” on the other side of the internet, watching and listening to the preaching. It has been unique learning to minister the word of God and the call to holiness over the internet instead of in person. But for better or for worse, it worked. Just about everyone “tuned-in” on Sunday mornings for live preaching, and the Sunday School teachers taught some marvellous Bible lessons online as well! Overall, we as a church were able to adapt, and folks seem to have grown, and stayed faithful in spite of a world in chaos! Now that we are meeting together again, the service is still livestreamed, but I get to preach three times on a Sunday, to allow for physical distancing and limits on capacity in the auditorium. On Wednesday evenings, many of the folks physically gather together in the church building, but some are using Zoom to join in, and it works!



While We Were Waiting... The facilities we used to use for our church services has been closed to all outsiders due to the vulnerability of the older people that already use the buildings, and won't be opening up anytime soon. So, the church folks here decided to commit to using **our own small building** from now on. This decision was hard because we already are packed when we meet, but it saves us a lot of rent money! So, we have been busy building two new bathrooms, and expanding some of our floor space, etc. Throughout the lock-down, I continue to personally disciple via Skype, and go out evangelising in Cork City on Fridays with some of the men. I have also finished updating my First Principles Discipleship Course and hope to get it professionally published soon.



Some Needs to Pray about... 1) A family from the Ukraine has been coming to the church here for about 9 months, and needs much prayer and encouragement. The husband was in a severe accident at work and has been made blind. He is slowly recovering in the hospital, but he and his wife have only been married two years. Their lives have been changed. Please pray for **Oleg** and his wife **Olga** to let God bring great good out of this tragedy. 2) Things are so changeable here – so please pray for wisdom, and some more windows of opportunity to preach the Gospel, and for many souls to turn from sin to faith in Christ Jesus!

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