

## NORTH IRISH DISTRICT

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We were encouraged with the Drive-In services held during the summer months in **Ballymoney** and **Ballymena**. The gospel was clearly preached and there was a good sense of God's presence. Some unsaved attended in their cars while others listened at a distance. These events continue throughout the District, as outlined below. For further information regarding venues etc, please contact us on 25656494. Andrew and Carolyn Maybin join us and Reuben Lyons to visit in **Garvagh** and **Portglenone** prior to the Drive-In services there. We are also exploring other forms of outreach in various places in the next few months. It has been great to commence visitation of Prayer Unions and we appreciate those who so faithfully stand with us in the work of God.

### Future Events: Drive - In Services – 3.30pm

**Sentry Hill**, Ballymena, Sun 20 Sept, Rev Mark Neilly & Catherine Henderson

**Garvagh**, Bridge St Car Park, Sun 27 Sept, Trevor Matthews & The Maybin Family

**Portglenone**, Community Centre Car Park, Sun 4 Oct, Ian Booth & Kellie Hanna

**Sentry Hill**, Sun 11 Oct, The Maybin Family

**Sentry Hill**, Sun 18 Oct, Joseph & Sandra Kennoway

**Sentry Hill**, Sun 25 Oct, Wesley & Hannah Stewart

## IRISH MIDLANDS DISTRICT

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In respecting current restrictions, Mervyn & Rachel have been able to restart their monthly Youth Work. "4<sup>th</sup> Seed" has resumed with new young people attending, and a number have now moved on to "Delve" – a group for older teens held at the **Durrow** Centre on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month. Regular family services resume at **Lacca** Church of Ireland, and the congregation at Oasis Fellowship, **Roscrea**, have welcomed the

monthly ministry via Zoom in recent months. Recent discussions with clergy have highlighted great need in communities and, as conditions allow, Mervyn hopes to get involved in new areas in the coming months. For the children, pray for Thursday Bible Club (**Mountrath**) which is expected to resume in the next few weeks. We are delighted that some schools have also requested assembly input again, either in person or by video presentation, and these will start mid-September.

Visiting groups are unable to use the **Durrow Centre** until restrictions are eased and we value prayer about this.

**Margaret Roberts:** "Praise God for continued enthusiasm for children's clubs that ran throughout the summer on Zoom. Please pray for Sparks children's club (**New Ross**) which will resume every week "virtually", commencing September 6, also Explorers monthly club (**Gorey**) September 26. Pray for wisdom as outreach is conducted in Co.Wexford in the weeks ahead."

### Future Events:

**Recharge:** "Virtual" young adults meetings, 2-3 October.

## NORTH WEST DISTRICT

C/o Garry & Alison Tutty

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We had a really good Bible College Rally at **Drumahoe**, Londonderry at the end of August. The anointed ministry and testimony from Trevor Matthews and candidate James Maxwell respectively were much appreciated. It was so encouraging to have 120 cars along. We're planning the Prayer Unions and Rallies as regulations allow. We very much look forward to having input in this District from Andrew & Carolyn Maybin, who joined The Faith Mission work this month. We commend them and their girls, Grace and Ruth, to your prayers.

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# PrayerFOCUS

## September 2020



Dear Praying Friends

## IRISH HEADQUARTERS

Jim & Hilda Lyons

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**H E Govan** wrote these words in his hymn:-  
*"Visit us, LORD, with revival! Stricken with coldness and death,  
Where is our HOPE of survival save in Thy life-giving breath?"*

This surely should be the cry and longing from all our hearts in these very uncertain days. May God burden us to see a mighty move of the Spirit! Pray for all the workers and work at this time as we navigate our way through these coming weeks. Where possible, we hope to join with our Prayer Unions and other praying friends and continue by various means to share the gospel. Nine first year students commence their studies in the Bible College for the new session—a wonderful answer to prayer! Remember these candidates, the students returning for second and third years and also the College staff. Esther Stevenson leaves the work at the end of September, prior to her marriage in October. We sincerely thank her for her faithful labours for the Lord in the Mission work over the past six years and wish her and Darren every blessing for the future.

## IRISH BORDER DISTRICT

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**Leslie and Mabel Brush** "Preparations are ongoing to meet the requirements to safely reopen our Portadown Centre. While restrictions continue we rejoice in opportunities to share God's Word. Leslie speaks at **Cladymore** 27 September, Mabel at **Loughgall** PW 1 October and Women's Bible Study and Sunday School resume using technology. "Men @10.30" cannot restart, but they meet outdoors on 21 September with a short gospel presentation; pray God will open hearts to receive His Word".

### **Brian & Hazel Parker**

“Praise God for all the kids who heard the Gospel during the weeks of Kid’s Club in **Cootehill** and the soccer camp in **Ballybay**. Pray that doors will soon reopen into the schools after lockdown. Brian is grateful for the opportunities of preaching most Sundays. We look to the Lord for guidance for future ministry opportunities and as we continue to build relationships in the area.”

The Drive-In Mission at **Loughgall** Country Park was a great time of blessing and encouragement. It was an excellent venue for reaching so many and it was good to have the support of two local ministers who also took part. The car park was well filled most nights and there were also people in the park listening in the background to the gospel.

### **Future Events**

**Derryanville Drive-In Conference** - Sun Sept 20, 3pm: George Conn

**Enagh Drive-In Rallies** – Sun Sept 20, 6pm: Rev Billy Park, also Sun Sept 27, 6pm: Leslie Brush.

**Ladies Special (Portadown FM Bookshop)** – Mon Sept 21, 7.30pm: Hazel Parker.

### **WEST IRISH DISTRICT**

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**Jonny & Amy Lennox:** “Thank you all for praying for “Camp Online” at the end of July; it very much exceeded expectations and we are thankful for the work God has done. Pray in particular for one young girl who was greatly challenged to come back to the Lord but hasn’t come through just yet. Looking ahead is uncertain with question marks against many bookings, but please continue to remember our work online.”

**Robert Little:** “Thousands have been reached in recent weeks through street outreach: I give God all the glory and thank Him for His protection. Door-to-door work in **Co. Leitrim** has commenced and open-air ministry in the District continues. I go to help with

renovations at the Bible College in Edinburgh and plan some preaching in the city centre in the evenings and weekends. Please pray for me and my family especially when I am away. Future meetings include “Ignite” youth in **Ballygawley**, **Ringsend** Harvest and the Lifeboat, **Dungannon**.”

**Heather Wilson:** “Amidst these uncertain and difficult days, your faithfulness in the place of prayer is vital and deeply appreciated as I seek God’s direction for the various ministries which would under normal circumstances be up and running by now.”

We were very encouraged with our online camps via YouTube. On average the Discovery and Adventure Camp videos received 57 and 33 views respectively. We are so thankful to Ruth Lavery for her faithful teaching at both camps. The recent drive-in services at **Killycurragh** went really well, with unconverted attending. Our Bible College Rally was well attended, with excellent ministry from Robert Murdock and inspiring testimonies from candidates Daniel Brown and James Maxwell. We are delighted with the student intake for this incoming year. We very much look forward to our Lakeland Bible Weekend and Augheran Drive-In Rally. We will be visiting Prayer Unions and organising District Rallies as regulations allow.

### **Future Events:**

**Lakeland Bible Weekend** (Drive-In), Cleenish Centre, Bellanaleck, 18-20 Sept, Trevor Matthews

**Augheran Drive-In Rally** (3.30pm) Sun 27 Sept

### **SOUTH WEST IRISH DISTRICT**

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We are thankful for opportunities to be back in various churches and being able to meet up with individuals recently. As Janet meets with ladies she has also been planning for regular small group Bible studies at the **Carhue Centre** with a number of them, including some of the MOPS mums. We also plan for online children’s ministry and would really value prayer for future

outreach activity as the restrictions are limiting.

As we continue with on-going maintenance at the Camp Centre and grounds please pray with us for wisdom and guidance regarding its future reopening for residential.

We want to thank Esther Stevenson for all she has done here in this District and pray for God’s blessing upon her wedding and in the future.

### **CENTRAL IRISH DISTRICT**

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**West Belfast** Naomi Dudgeon values ongoing prayer in these uncertain days as she seeks to make new contacts and continues to encourage others. Some have asked her to pray specifically regarding particular issues they face. Naomi has quite a few meetings scheduled to share of her work and hopes these will take place.

We knew a very real sense of God’s Presence in our Bible College rally in **Lisburn** and are delighted to have two students entering the College from this District. Drive-in Services continue as harvest events and many have spoken appreciatively of these. Indoor harvest services booked also give great opportunity to share the Gospel. The harvest church mission planned for the **Ballynahinch** area has been postponed meantime. Some of our Prayer Unions have recommenced while others await the right time to resume. We would like all those involved in PUs to maintain contact. This leaves our autumn/winter programme uncertain although we plan to conduct as many activities as possible. We will also be involved in door-to-door outreach following previous missions as restrictions permit.

### **Future Events:**

**Banestown Rally**, 17 October, 7.30pm Rev Billy Park;

**Killyleagh Rally**, 6 November, 7.30pm Pastor Jonathan Burke