

Evangelism Week (23rd – 29th October 2016)

Ballygomartin



Despite some nerves, our first task of taking both Sunday services went well. Monday began with devotions and then we joined the women of 'The War Room' prayer group. Later, we had an excellent reception in Ballymurphy as we went door-to-door.

Taking RE classes in Carr's Glen Primary School was a highlight. Despite being restricted in what we said, the children were hungry to know about God. This was epitomised by the final question of the day from a little girl: 'Where can we find all these stories?'

On Thursday, the team went to Glencairn Care Home. Despite a less than welcome reception, God moved and even the carers ended up smiling and praising God. A man named Eric put his faith in the Lord Jesus. Glory to Him.

Carr

Carr evangelism team got off to a racing start when around 80 men, who came for breakfast and to an exhibition of rally cars, listened to a presentation of the gospel. A bridal event, fellowship night and quiz night were also well attended by those who do not normally attend Carr.



Sunday services were followed by a youth fellowship afterwards and during the week we helped Aaron Riddle and the Church present *The Amazing Journey* to a total of 360 children in 3 different schools.

Bibles, tracts and church literature were given out in the community. The week finished with a youth event on the Friday night and we believe that the Lord was glorified in all that happened.

Newcastle

The College's evangelism week ran in conjunction with Newcastle Baptist Church's mission week. Each night had a different flavour to it and ranged from a ladies' table quiz on Monday to a nostalgic evening on Friday. The team also took part in the church's weekly football outreach in Castlewellan, assembly in local Primary Schools, Down High SU, sharing at various care and respite homes, parent and toddlers and pastoral visitation.



One massive highlight was Thursday afternoon, when first year pupils from Shimna College arrived at the church building to learn more about the Church. This was a fantastic opportunity - the gospel was clearly explained and the Q&A at the end included some in-depth questions.

Youghal

We were grateful for the dry weather during our time in Youghal as much of the work was outdoors. We delivered hundreds of 4You.ie magazines, Halloween-themed tracts and Coaching4Christ DVDs. Other team members did street evangelism and five team members recorded their testimonies to be broadcast on CRY 104FM community radio over the coming months. We also prepared a gospel-focused drama on St. Patrick which we performed to students and staff in eight Primary School classes. During our stay we had opportunities to witness to a variety of people including Mormons, Muslims and Jehovah's Witnesses.



Larbert



It was our privilege to travel to Scotland and spend a week with Larbert Baptist Church. Pastor Ken Bleakley, a former IBC student, has been serving the Church there for 12 years. The team were responsible for both services on Sunday. It was particularly encouraging to see many children among a congregation of around 100 people.

On Monday, we met Mike. Mike's full-time job is to work with local schools, taking assemblies, running R.E. classes and SU groups. He spends his time building relationships with young people, while showing and telling them about Jesus. It was interesting to be with Mike and hear his plans. He was very open about some of the struggles he faces in this ministry.

Thank you for praying for our Evangelism teams. Please continue to pray for the students as they study and meet assignment deadlines in the next few weeks. Also pray that the books will balance as we approach financial year end.