

DUBLIN Spring 2025 **NEWS**



"O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. So even to old age and grey hairs, O God do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come" Psalm 71v17-18.

These verses are challenging to read. That even to our old age and with grey hair, we would keep proclaiming Him and His greatness to the next generation. As we get older, we may think that we can't relate to the next generation in the same way. Maybe you feel discouraged in children's and youth ministry. Maybe feeling tired and weary after many years of serving, but we carry that responsibility as people who have a longer walk with Jesus, to keep sharing His greatness and majesty to them. To show God's love to each precious child and young person. To share the grace, patience and wisdom we all have learned through life experiences and the trials we have come through.

So **pour your faith** into the next generation, **encourage** those who are discovering their gifts and entering into ministry, who are learning to serve. **Pray** and keep **challenging others** of the responsibility we have to reach the children. Keep **sharing that vision** for the next generation who need to hear the gospel. How do we do this? By lifting our voices to Him in **praise and worship** (Psalm 71v19-24, John 4v24); rejoicing in Him. The joy of the Lord is **our strength**. We can do this through **faith** (Psalm 71v20-21), knowing that nothing is impossible with Him and He can save to the uttermost. His faithfulness reaches to all generations (Psalm 100v5)!

TRAINING (TCE2)

In January, TCE 2 started on Thursday nights for 10 weeks. We had 34 people (from 20 different churches) join this course and we praise God for the interest in this course. It focuses on the discipleship of the Christian child and many commented on how helpful this course is. Some hadn't thought of teaching missions before the course to the children in their churches.

Pray for these teachers as they teach in clubs and in their churches. That they will see much fruit in their ministry.

CAMP WEEKENDS

Thank you for praying for the **Christmas teens camp weekend**, it went well! Then we had 2 camp weekends in March. We had 68 children come to the **kids camp weekend** in Durrow. All aged between 8- 11 years old. We looked at the life of Gideon and of Samson and how as a Christian, we are a soldier in God's army. That we are in a battle against Satan and sin but that we can have victory. Our memory verse was James 4-v7-8. God went before us and we knew His help. Pray for these children that they will all know Jesus as their Saviour and be courageous for Him, living a life of victory.

The **young adults camp weekend** was also a blessed weekend. We had 38 young people aged between 16 -24 years old. We looked at what it means to be an influencer for God. Pray that these young people will walk in victory too. Knowing the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives each day.

The next camps will be in the summer. Please do pray that we will have the right leaders for each camp and enough of them! Especially for the teens camp (13th- 18th July). Pray for the children and teens that will come, that God will prepare their hearts.





WATERFORD

There is a Waterford Momentum team planned for 27th July - 2nd August. This is a team that will assist in Superkids. This is a week of HBC/day camp for children in Waterford. Last year, nearly 200 children came. We'd love there to be a larger team this year to help. If that is something you would be interested in, please do get in touch.





GOOD NEWS CLUBS

The GNCs have been such a blessing this year. The Balgaddy, Esker and Jobstown clubs are weekly. **The Portlaoise GNC** is once a month. Shalomi who organises the club has had some ongoing health problems. Pray for healing for her and for her family.

The clubs have grown in number. We had 65 children one week at the **Esker club** and 46 at the **Balgaddy club**. It's great to see so many children wanting to come to the clubs. The prize days will be happening at the start of May. Pray for the parents as God's word goes into the homes through the memory verse tokens. Parents ask questions too. Please pray for household salvation. The **Jobstown GNC** can still be challenging at times but there are huge improvements in behaviour and we see God answering prayer.

It would be great to see new clubs start in September. Please keep praying for teams of committed leaders who would run a club so that children could come and hear the gospel. There are many challenges in starting a club and keeping it going but it's worth it to see children understanding the gospel and accepting Jesus as their Saviour.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for your prayers for Caleb. He has a school place in **Colaiste Padraig** (St Patrick's) in Lucan. This is a boys' secondary school, so it'll be a little different for him. We believe that this is where God wants Him to be. We are praying much for this school already. For the staff and students. Just like in St Andrew's NS (where they all are now) we'd love to see a parents' prayer group start.

If we can specifically pray for you in any way, please do let us know. Thank you for all your prayers for the ministry here. If you would like more regular updates, we have a **WhatsApp** group that you can join. Just text to let us know. (S - 00353 876921451 or T - 00353 861082401).

EQUIP 25

The EQUIP 25 conference will be on the **17th May**. It will be in the Riasc Centre, Swords,
Dublin. This is for kids and youth workers
and parents. We'd love to see you there!

There will be a kids and teens programmes and seminars on relevant topics. Other organisations will join on the day too. The Faith Mission will be there with a bookshop and the CEF resources shop too. For more info and to book in, go to... www.cefireland.com/equip

UPCOMING EVENTS

29th March- Youth at the Bridge.
31st March- Jobstown GNC (Mondays).
1st April - MIP prayer group every Tuesday.
3rd April - Balgaddy GNC (Thursdays).

TCE 2 Bible lesson practical. **4th, 11th & 25th April** - Esker GNC (Fridays).

5th April - Portlaoise GNC (monthly). **5th April** - CEF stand at the MIP spring conference (Limerick).

12th & 26th April - Youth at the Bridge. **7th, 14th & 28th April** - Jobstown GNC.

10th & 24th April - Balgaddy GNC.

18th- 22nd April - Easter Conference. **25th April** - Reach & Teach Training

(Donegal).

28th April - CEF Worker's Day of prayer.

3rd May - Portlaoise GNC.

8th May - GNCs prize giving week starts 10th & 24th May- Youth at the Bridge.

17th May - EQUIP 25 Conference. 23rd- 24th May - ICRM church camp

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3rd- 6th June - Outdoor clubs (Tallaght).
10th June - Southern Workers meeting.
7th & 21st June - Youth at the Bridge.
16th - 20th June - Outdoor clubs (Edenderry).

28th June - 4th July - Kids Camp.

12th -18th July - Teens Camp.