



*To Know Jesus Christ and Make Him Known*

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**Tell Us About It!**

If you've got some news make sure you tell us about it! Call Tara (085 7196961). The copy deadline is shown on the calendar below. You can email contributions to tara.mcmahon@genworth.com

*This church is a New Testament community of faith. Our teaching and practices are based on the Bible. We seek to serve our local community, reaching out with the love, hope and salvation, found through faith in Jesus only.*



# July 2007

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
						1 Stephen Lead, Mossy Preach
2	3 Mossy Teach (@ Kubs	4	5	6	7	8 Barry Lead, Nailier Preach
9	10 Nailer Teach (@ Pavitt's	11	12	13	14	15 Mossy Lead, Ger McNamara Preach BAPTISMS @ LISCANNOR
16	17 Stephen Teach (@ Brennan's	18	19	20	21	22 Tom Lead, Mossy Preach
23	24 Barry Teach (@ Pavitt's	25	26 Deadline for August Copy	27	28	29 Stephen Lead, Nailier Preach
30	31 Mossy Teach (@ Pavitt's					

# EEC NEWSLETTER

**July 2007**

## "THERE IS NO BAD WEATHER"

Ruskin said: "There is no bad weather; there are only different kinds of good weather." There is no bad weather except as you take it badly. Adverse weather is only perverse weather as we fail to harness it to our purposes. The writer of proverbs says that among the mysteries of the universe is "the way of an eagle in the sky". And why? Because although an eagle can soar higher than any other bird, it does so without flapping its wings. The eagle understands the air currents



".. the way of an eagle in the sky ..." (Proverbs 30:19)

(or thermals) and waits for the right moment, then ascends without any great effort. Adverse winds can lift you higher into the presence of your loving, heavenly Father – if you know how to tilt your wings!"

**FURTHER STUDY**

2 Corinthians 12:1-10;  
 James 1:2; 1 Peter 1:5-9  
 What was Paul's, Peter's and James' "thermal"?  
 What "thermal" are you currently rising on?

## BAPTISMS!

Please join us in Liscannor on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July as we celebrate the baptisms of John McCarthy, Matthew Pavitt, Phil Pain and Tara McMahon! We will be meeting after church in Liscannor – please bring a picnic for fellowship afterwards! See page 3 for

the importance for Christian Baptism.  
*"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19)*

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- Musicians USA-bound
- God moving in Lahinch

## THIS MONTH'S PRAYER REQUESTS



Continue to pray for the 4You magazine distribution – for those handing the magazines out and also for the people who have received them. Pray that their hearts may be open to what they read. Please pray especially for the girl on the Gort Road who requested a DVD.

Pray for the young people in Ennis after the recent spate of tragedies that have occurred.

Pray for Brian, Brenda and their family in the USA.

Also for Denise and Mira as they spend the summer months in the USA.

Pray for Matthew and Masha's Wedding plans!!

Pray for the upcoming Baptisms on the 15th July.

Continue praying for Shane and Katie and their ministry in the Ukraine.

Pray for the work of the Christian Surfers in Lahinch and for George who is working with them for the summer.

Pray for Lahinch and the Shannon Church and evangelism as a whole in the county of Clare.

## WHO ARE YOU?

You are who you are for a reason.  
You're part of an intricate plan.  
You're a precious and perfect unique design,  
Called God's special woman or man.  
You look like you look for a reason.  
Our God made no mistake.  
He knit you together in the womb,  
You're *just* what He wanted

to make.  
The parents you had were the ones He chose,  
And no matter how you may feel,  
They were custom-designed with God's plan in mind,  
And they bear the Master's seal.  
No, that trauma you faced was not easy.  
And God wept that it hurt you so;  
But it was allowed to shape

## SPORTS CAMP 2007!!

There is a Christian Sports Camp taking place in Shannon from Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July. There is a team of athletes arriving from America to help during the week and to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the teens of County Clare! If you have teens who are interested in attending please contact Elton Good on 086-3009450.



Children Enjoy Sport

your heart  
So that into His likeness you'd grow.  
You are who you are for a reason;  
You've been formed by the Master's rod.  
You are who you are, beloved,  
Because there is a God.

Russell Kelfer

## THE IMPORTANCE OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Christian baptism, according to the Bible, is an outward testimony of what has occurred inwardly in a believer's life. Christian baptism illustrates a believer's identification with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. The Bible declares, "*Or don't you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life*" (Romans 6:3-4). In Christian bap-

tism, the action of being immersed in the water pictures being buried with



Baptism by Total Immersion

Christ. The action of coming out of the water pictures Christ's resurrection! In Christian baptism, there should be two requirements before a person is

baptised: (1) The person being baptised must have trusted in Jesus Christ as Saviour, and (2) The person must understand what baptism signifies. According to the Bible, Christian baptism is simply a step of obedience, a public proclamation of one's faith in Christ alone for salvation. Christian baptism is important because it is a step of obedience – publicly declaring faith in Christ and commitment to Him, and identification with Christ's death, burial, and resurrection.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**Brian and Brenda Duffield** are moving on. After a trip to the USA, Brian takes up a new role in Newbridge. We say goodbye with sadness but we remember their fellowship with great joy and give thanks to the Lord for both of them!

We say farewell to **Mira** and **Denise** who are USA-bound for the summer. We say 'God Speed' and look ahead to hearing their stories in September.

Great things are happening down by the sea! The Good News is being spread amongst the **Lahinch** surfing crowd and praise God souls are being saved! See John McCarthy for more information.