

EEC NEWSLETTER

September 2010

KATHY IN POLAND

From the 31 July to 5 Aug, I attended Greater Europe Mission's "Being Disciples, Making Disciples" conference in Wisla, Poland. Over 300 workers gathered for Bible teaching, training, prayer and worship. What most encouraged me was our times of prayer - large group, small group, partners ... and particularly a couple of hours of prayer walking

took a copy and we got opportunity to pray with people too.

After the conference, I unexpectedly met up with Bozena, a Polish woman I disci-



Bozena and her daughter Kasia



Kathy and fellow prayer-walker

pled 25 years ago and hadn't been in contact with for 20 years. Imagine my surprise to find she teaches English and other subjects in English at John Paul II University. She enjoys discussions with young seminarians (she could be their

around Wisla, where we not only prayed but gave out copies of John's Gospel. Everyone we talked with

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Verse of the Month

Ah LORD God! Behold You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You. (Jer 32:17, NKJ)

Is it TRUE? Is it KIND? Is it NECESSARY? If not all three, then do not say it!

September 2010

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Ladies' BS 6 @ Carrie's 10am & @ Ruth's 8pm	Lord's table 7 BS @ Kulis' 8pm Matthias teaching	1	2		Ennis street witnessing 9 pm	Fam Service 5 Nigel leading, David Stevenson teaching
Ladies' BS 13 @ Regina's 10am & @ Ruth's 8pm	14 BS @ Pavit's 8pm (Vincent)	15	16	Prayer for Fri- Club 6.30 pm	17 Ennis street witnessing 9 pm	18 Dannien leading, Mossy teaching
Ladies' BS 20 @ Kerelyn's 10am & @ Ruth's 8pm	21 BS @ Duffy's 8pm (Barry)	22 October copy deadline	23	24 Fri Club 6.30 pm VIA 7.30 pm	25	19 Tom leading, Mossy teaching
Ladies' BS 27 @ Kathy's 10am & @ Ruth's 8pm	28 BS @ Pavit's 8pm (Tim)	29	30	Ideas for October Issue ...		26





THIS MONTH'S PRAYER REQUESTS

This month, give thanks for our Lord's mercies and for answered prayer. Remember He is faithful and always keeps His word.

"Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." (Jn 14:13)

- † Thank God for being with Louis, Zoe and the teens on their trip to Poland.
- † Praise and Glory and Honour to our Lord in the way He has begun answering our prayers for Simon's niece Kezzy.

This month, please pray for

- † Those planning on getting baptised.
- † For the recent contacts made on the doors and on the streets
- † For all starting back at school or college, especially for God's blessing on those preparing to go for the first time!
- † For VIA and Friday Club starting their new term.

Please continue to pray for

- † Our Leaders & the work on the new building
- † Those seeking work, especially where interviews have not been successful
- † For those with on-going health problems.

PEOPLE NEWS

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mother!) and tells them that they need to read the Bible, that has to be the basis for their faith and all they teach. She has not had fellowship - and her heart is hungry for more of God's Word, fellowship, teaching and discussion, especially since she recently has been diagnosed with a serious illness. I left her some books and we walked by an "Evangelia" church, which I asked her to visit. Pray God will give me wisdom about what to send her, how often to be in contact now that I have her e-mail and phone number.

SAYING GOODBYE!

We say farewell to Mathew and Masha Pavitt who are leaving for Geneva, Switzerland, on 1st September. Having just finished a B.A. in Economics at U.C.C., Matthew is going to do a one year Master degree in International Trade Relations. We pray God will bless their time there.



MORE GOODBYES!

Dorian, Yvonne and Dana Reece have left Ennis and moved on to Donegal. Dorian writes ... Our time (albeit short) with the believers at Ennis Evangelical Church has been a

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The EEC Newsletter



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.

Tell Us About It!

If you've got some news make sure you tell us about it! Call Margaret on 086 3206858 or email EEC Postmaster.

Copy deadline is shown on the calendar overleaf

PRAYER MEETINGS

Please see web site or ask an Elder for news of our regular weekly prayer meetings. Here's a reminder from the July newsletter:

SUNDAY - Clare Education Centre 9.45-10.20 am. Plus prayer for Friday Club once per month after the service.

MONDAY - 10.00-12.30, Ladies' Bible study and Prayer, Call 065-682 0880 for venue* (Sept-June).

TUESDAY - 8 pm, Bible study and Prayer, Call 065-684 7099 for

venue.

WEDNESDAY - 8 pm Lisdoonvarna, weekly open-house outreach and prayer night for NW Clare. Contact Phil (087-218 7045).

WEDNESDAY - Monthly prayer meeting 8.30 pm. Tulla Rd/Roslevan area. Contact Vincent Q (065-684-2210).

THURSDAY - Fortnightly intercessory prayer 7.30 pm @ Brennans. Contact Mossy (065-684 7099) or Barry (086-386 1411).

FRIDAY - Weekly prayer @ Silvester's 8pm. Cloughleigh/Ennis West area. Contact Nailer (065-682 0880) or Silvester (065-689 2595).

FRIDAY - Liscannor/Lisdoonvarna - alternative weeks @ 8pm. Contact Nigel (087-277 5456) or Phil (087-218 7045).

SATURDAY - Fortnightly before Street Evangelism @ 8.30 pm. Contact Vincent Q (065-684 2210).

If you're looking to meet for prayer in **Kilrush** area, contact Vincent Wade on 065-9051343.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

The donations given towards the building project, since the purchase of the new building, is now approx 17,000 Euro. Praise the Lord for His provision.

JOSEPHINE

Introducing Josephine Akello, 13/04/1996 ...

In Uganda October 2009 I met Josephine, one of 400 students attending the David and Mary Young school in Ntinkalu, Jinja, Uganda. She really stood out from the rest in character and spirit. It was obvious she is special. It wasn't long before I was on the phone with Avril asking if we could adopt her.



We would like to let you know some exciting news. In the coming months we are hoping, by Gods grace, to bring Josephine from

Ntinkalu, Jinja, Uganda to Kilrush Co.Clare. Josephine's bedroom is nearly prepared and the local school awaits her arrival. We would greatly appreciate your prayers as Uganda is experiencing difficulties at this time with terrorism. The first week in September was our desired timeline but now it is delayed for a bit.

Josephine is very excited so please pray for passport and Visa applications. A smooth process with officials. We are hoping to fly to

Uganda to travel with Josephine home.

Josephine is a very special 14 year old girl who has had a difficult life but who is in love with the Lord. We trust the Lord at this time that it is His plan for us all. In Ireland she will have her first pair of shoes, her own room and her own clothes. She is living in the David and Mary Young school in Ntinkalu, waiting for her Mum to die of Aids at which time she will become an orphan. Avril and I would love her to become part of our family and share our home and our lives.

Thank you for your prayers.

David, Avril and Josephine

BE VIGILANT....

...in prayer as our enemy continues to rampage about like a roaring lion, seeking who he can devour.

In addition to the prayer call for the elders and their wives last month, it seems there is need for much prayer for marriages and families in general. God is moving in Ennis, Clare and Ireland. It seems more and more of our brothers and sisters are coming under attack and need our encouragement and prayer.

There has been a recent Jericho prayer walk in Cloughleigh for God to move in the hearts of the people there.

MORE PEOPLE NEWS



great time of encouragement for us as a family. We have been challenged by the faithful

preaching of God's Word and have been reminded on many occasions that it's by grace alone that we are saved, not by works – what an amazing truth. We have appreciated the tangible acts of Christian kindness shown to us by so many here. We have genuinely felt part of the wonderful family of God. As we travel back to South Africa, we will be taking much of what we have learnt from EEC back with us. Thank you and may God continue to grow you to become more and more like Jesus.

AUTUMN SCEDULE

Friday Club is starting again in September.

Please keep this ministry to the children of the Cloughleigh area in your prayers.

FRIDAY CLUB



VIA also restarts in September, they will be looking into the books of Ruth and Daniel to learn what it means to be a Christian in their personal and Church lives. This year they hope to get the teens more

involved in Munster Youth. Please keep the youth and their leaders in your prayers.

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday night Bible studies from September will focus on the Gospel of Luke and there is an extra ladies' Bible study starting on Monday 30th August @ 8pm at Ruth's house. It is for any lady who is unable to come to the Monday morning study. For more information contact Margaret on 065-6847099. We plan on going through the book of James.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Rene on his Leaving Cert results. Rene did very well and now plans to go to Limerick University to study Computer Engineering. All the best to any others who sat their Leaving Cert.

25TH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday 8th August we had the pleasure of sharing Ann & Nigel's 25th wedding anniversary celebrations,

which included their rededication to each other at church and then a lovely BBO party at their house in the afternoon! Here we see them 'cutting the cake', courtesy of Phil O'Connell.



KEZZY



Simon writes from America to bring us news of an amazing miracle from God.

Many will remember the time, just before he went to the US on contract, when Simon shared with us about his niece Kezzy.

Kezzy is 18 years old and is the oldest child of his younger brother Andy.

Although her mother Tracey has been a Christian for years, neither Andy nor Kezzy were walking with the Lord. Whilst Simon and his brother and parents have kept in contact over the years, distance has meant meetings were infrequent. Simon takes up the story:

Kezzy was rushed to hospital a few months ago with breathing difficulties. It turned out that she had a large tumour between her trachea and oesophagus. Surgeons performed a biopsy which relieved the pressure on her trachea, allowing her to breathe normally again, for a time at least.

However, the test results from the growth showed that Kezzy had a rare form of cancer which did not respond to chemotherapy and was resistant to radiation treatment. The tests were performed at St Guys in London. They recommended that her trachea be completely removed, along with some of the larynx and a lot of the oesophagus. They planned to attach her stomach to the top of the gut wall to make good the loss of length in her oe-

sophagus. She was told that it was unlikely that her voice box could be saved and that she would have to breathe through a tube in her neck or chest.

This was devastating news and hard for Kezzy to take because she felt completely normal and healthy (now that she could breathe unhindered again). Indeed, she was not keen on the proposed surgery and was hinting that she would rather live out her life as normally as possible, however short it might be.

Lots of people began praying for her: prayers that God would both heal and save her and Tracey (Kezzy's mum) testified to experiencing a deep peace, despite what seemed a seemingly hopeless situation.

Before I had left for the USA, I had flown into London so that I could visit Kezzy and her mum. I had previously suggested by e-mail that she might consider seeking out someone who God has used in the past to supernaturally heal people and Tracey told me that Kezzy had already allowed someone to pray for her.

Kezzy mentioned "mum's healer friend" while I was there and the way she said it clearly showed she had allowed it for the sake of her mum and not out of any personal conviction.

Meanwhile my (other) brother and

AN ANSWER TO PRAYER

his wife began to look at alternative options for treatment in Italy.

They found out about a surgeon who was pioneering new surgical techniques using organs grown from a patient's own stem cells. He proposed transplanting a trachea made this way and suggested it may be possible to save her voice box and give her a chance of a normal life.

The British surgeons who earlier had suggested the drastic treatment were willing for Professor Paolo Macchiarini to perform this surgery and the procedure was carried out in Florence, Italy.

My twin brother stayed there the whole time so Kezzy had someone she knew and who could translate for her.

The operation has been a resounding success and Kezzy is now recovering back home in England. Her operation was one of the first two in the world to be performed on a cancer patient.

There have been numerous articles in the national press about this pioneering breakthrough, including an article published in the Daily Mail (see link in

box).

A couple of days after the operation, Tracey was visiting and Kezzy seemed excited about something and asked for a pad and paper (her voice had not returned at this point).

She wrote down on the pad that while lying alone in her hospital bed she felt someone touching her arm, yet when she opened her eyes she could see no-one there.

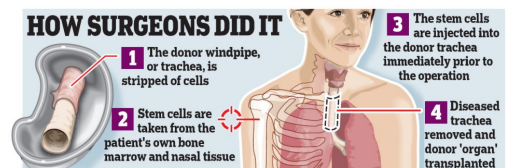
Then she clearly heard a voice in the room telling her that He was God and that He loved her very much and He had saved her because He had things that He was calling her to do.

Understandably, Kezzy was very excited and has asked to be baptized. I am so excited for her too. She has truly by God's wonderful mercy passed from death to life!

I am also excited about the way this has all pulled our family together and for the effect Kezzy's dramatic testimony will have on our more disbelieving family members - not least Andy her own dad.

May God be praised and glorified for his wonderful intervention in our lives and may he continue to graciously watch over us in the years ahead. To Him all glory forever.

Amen.



<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-1299877/British-cancer-girl-saved-windpipe-stem-cells.html>