



January 2023

ENNIS EVANGELICAL CHURCH

EEC Newsletter



Eaglais Shóiscéalach na hInse

Confidence in God

As we go into 2023, remember that we are not on the journey alone, God tells us that He is with us and if He is for us, who can be against us? Let our confidence be completely in Him and really believe what we say we believe. We will not understand everything that happens in our lives but we know we can trust our Father completely because He has plans to prosper us and not to harm us, plans to give us a hope and a future. We will face questions when testing situations arise, but let us be confident that God is with us and He hears us. *'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'* - *Jeremiah 33:3.*

Our situation may look impossible to us but as we read in *Matthew 19:26* - *Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."* God is never late in answering us, we have to have patience for His timing while His truth is being worked out in our lives, as to how He wants to use us.

We must be passionate in our relationship with Jesus, trusting Him with every aspect of our lives. The Good News we have received is not a religion but about our relationship with the living God. We are part of God's story and He wants us to have a personal and close relationship with Him. As we come to the cross and repent of our sin, the burden of guilt is lifted and we experience the joy of His forgiveness and of being fully accepted as a child of God into His family. When we pray to God, let it be to allow Him to change our lives and not for us to try and change the plans of God. Unless the Lord is in it, our efforts will be in vain. God through His Holy Spirit, changes our ordinary lives into extra-ordinary lives. Come under the submission of the Holy Spirit of God and allow Him to renew your mind and change you.

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

Verse of the Month

But now, this is what the LORD says - He who created you, Jacob, He who formed you, Israel: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are Mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

Isaiah 43:1-2 NIV

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Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

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| 2 No Ladies BS | 3 Prayer and Praise 7.30pm | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 Prayer 10am Service 10.30am Alan | |
| 9 Ladies Prayer 10.30 -12.00 | 10 BS 7.30pm 1 Corinth-Shane | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Prayer 10am Service 10.30am Alan | |
| 16 Ladies BS 10.30 -12.00 | 17 BS 7.30pm 2 Corinth-Shane | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 Prayer 10am Service 10.30am Shane | |
| 23 / 30 Ladies BS 10.30 -12.00 | 24 / 31 BS 7.30pm 2 Corinth-Shane | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 prayer 10am Service 10.30am Mossy | |
| Sunday Service and Tuesday Bible Study will continue to be streamed on line for those who cannot attend. | | | | | | | |



People News

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

**Ephesians
3:20-21
NIV**

Farewells: As we come to the end of 2022 we have a number of farewells due to either work placements or personal circumstances.

At the end of November we said farewell to Michael and Suzette who moved to Northern Ireland. Please continue to pray for them as Michael settles into his new employment and for the complete healing of Suzette's ankle.

The week before Christmas we said farewell to Rajiv and Christine who moved to Mullingar with her job. Corey moves back to the USA to Idaho and his "fun facts" will be missed at Tuesday night Bible studies.

Prayer Requests

Call upon God with confidence and expectation.

Praise the Lord for

† Another year that the Lord has brought us into.

This month, please pray for

† The safety of family and friends of our Ukrainian attendees who remain in Ukraine.

Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go. They merely determine where you start.

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Mossy handing out Goodie bags for the children from Kevin and Maura, put together with help from their grandchildren Amy, Kelly, Amber and Katie.

Celebration: Our dear sister Lola has her 50th birthday on 5th January and we will share in the celebration with her on Sunday 8th January.

Sincere and Deepest Sympathy to Carrie and family on the passing of her father, Michael Grant, on 31st December 2022. Funeral arrangements T.B.A.



† Those that have left, that they might settle in and find a good local church where they can continue their Christian walk and can be encouraged by and be an encouragement to their fellow Christians

† Those who are sick in the church.

† Carrie and family on the passing of her father, Michael Grant.



Giving Thanks for the Past Year

I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD. Psalm 27:13-14

Look back over the last year, count your blessings and give thanks as you see the goodness of the Lord working in your life. Give God the glory for His working which may not necessarily have been what we would have chosen for ourselves. Through His working we get an understanding and perspective for our life that we would otherwise have got no other way. Let us rejoice that our lives are in the hands of a great and loving God. The safest place is for us to be at the centre of God's will. Thank you Lord for your Word and that you make our paths straight as we submit to you.

Thank You that we can rest in You and the finished work of Jesus. Thank You for Your Holy Spirit, Your love, Your provision, Your wisdom, Your patience, Your encouragement, Your discipline, Your compassion.

We give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever. Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.



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If you've got some news make sure you tell us about it!

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Know Jesus-Make Him Known

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.

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