

South Dublin



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“Let this be written for a future generation, that a people not yet created may praise the Lord” Psalm 102v18

Psalm 102 is a lament Psalm. It starts with the Psalmist experiencing deep distress and suffering. It describes Jerusalem as ruined. If this is to be taken as literal then there was national mourning as well as personal mourning. Over the affliction they faced as a nation. God hears their cries and we are reminded of how God delivers. He is a God of love, mercy and grace. The next generation must know about it! So that they too can praise the Lord!

This verse also reveals to us the heart that God has for the next generation. That He thinks of them even before they are created! Before they are conceived. His heart is that they know He is God; glorious and majestic. That He hears and answers prayer. That He loves and cares for His people. He sees their pain. He is the God who is all seeing.

What amazing comfort there is in this for those of us who are teaching the next generation. May we love them as God loves them. May we be faithful in teaching them about the greatness of God through His word. May we be examples before them in praying to God and in praising God. Reminding the children that God is able to do all things!

May we continue to have a vision for our nation, that what seems in ruin can be restored. He is the God of restoration. He rules over the nations. He will be uplifted and glorified. May the next generation of children and teens be those who stand firm, love well and glorify Christ in all they do!

Praise & Prayer Points 😊

- We praise God for a good end to the **GNC** year. Over 150 children attended the prize days in the 3 GNCs in Dublin.
- We are so thankful for the **GNC teachers** who so faithfully serve God each week in the clubs.
- We praise God for the 30 people who completed the **TCE 1 course** and others who did modules 1 and 2.
- We praise God for an encouraging day at **EQUIP 26**. If you were there, thank you for coming!
- We thank God for His help at different meetings we have spoken at and **training days** too.
- Thankful to get the **outdoor clubs** started. Do pray for dry weather and that many children will come.
- The **Junior camp** and **Teens Camp** are both fully booked. We praise God for the interest in the camps. Please do pray for all the campers.
- We praise God for the **camp leaders** who are willing to come to the camps. We still need some female leaders and one person at each camp to help in the kitchen. Please pray for this need.
- We praise God for the new kids camp planned in **Mountmellick, Co Laois** from the 4th-6th August. Pray that many children will come and hear the gospel. That weekly children's ministry could start here.
- Please pray for **salvation!**

Family updates 😊

Thank you for your prayers and support. We really appreciate it and your kindness to us as a family. Caleb is now on summer holidays and finished first year. In September we will be applying for secondary schools for Faith. Please pray that the right place would open up. With Caleb being in a boy's school she won't be guaranteed a place in any school. She has been on the girls football team in school this year and the cricket team too. Matthew turned 10 in May and is really growing! Full of energy as always and is reading lots of books these days!



Ministry dates for prayer 😊

- **16th-19th June** - 3DCs in Edenderry, Co Offaly.
- **20th June** - EQUIP Youth & YATB.
- **23rd -25th June** - 3DC in Castle View, Lucan.
- **28th June - 3rd July** - Junior Camp (Durrow, Co Laois).
- **4th July** - Convergence Day with the WIN church, Dublin.
- **4th, 11th, 18th, 25th July** - Outdoors clubs in Athy, Co Kildare.
- **12th-17th July** - Teens Camp (Durrow, Co Laois).
- **21st-23rd July** - Balgaddy HBC, Dublin.
- **25th July** - VBS (Telugu Christian Fellowship, Dublin).
- **27th -29th July** - Kids Camp (Cornerstone Slievebloom Church, Co Offaly).
- **1st August** - Youth Summer Special.
- **4th -6th August** - Kids Camp (Mountmellick Methodist Church, Co Laois).
- **10th - 14th August** - Youth Camp (Cleenish Centre, Co Fermanagh).
- **29th August** - Youth at the Bridge.
- **10th September** - TCE 1 starts (12 weeks).
- **12th & 19th September** - Youth at the Bridge.
- **13th -17th September** - Staff Conference.
- **21st September** - GNCs start this week!
- **23rd September** - JYC course starts (10 weeks).
- **26th September** - CEF Autumn Conference, Lurgan Baptist Church.
- **29th September** - Preschool Teacher's Course starts (7 weeks).

Autumn ministry!!

We are thankful for the camps and clubs planned. Please do pray that many children will come and hear the gospel during the summer and that they will be able to join into **weekly clubs** in the Autumn.

Please pray for **new GNCs** to start in the Autumn. For God to raise up teams of people and for venues too. So that more children can hear God's word each week.

There are 3 online training courses that will begin in September. The **JYC leaders** course (teaching teens) will start on the 23rd, **TCE 1** (kids age 5-12) will start on the 10th and the **Preschool Teacher's Course** (kids age 3-6) will start on the 29th. If you are interested in any of these training courses, please do contact us.

The Christmas Teens camp is from 20th-22nd November. Please pray for all these plans, that God will be honoured through it all.

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Balgaddy GNC!!



EQUIP conference!



Online Preschool Teachers' Course
 Tuesday 29th Sept to 24th Nov 2026
 (8 Tuesday evenings with 2nd Oct off)
 7:30pm-10pm
 €35
 £30

Puppets - Singing - Learning centres - Prayer
 Bible lessons - Finger plays - and more!

Book in at www.cefireland.com/preschoolcourse

TCE 1
 Teaching Children Effectively™
ONLINE COURSE

TCE1 (Teaching Children Effectively Level 1) is a **12 week course** that includes 3 modules with classes on worship, memory work, Bible lesson prep, organising a team, counselling a child for salvation and more!

It is divided into **3 modules**. You can choose to do 1, 2 or all 3 modules.

Module 1 is 10th Sept - 1st Oct
Module 2 is 8th - 22nd Oct
Module 3 is 5th Nov - 3rd Dec

Every Thursday from the 10th September - 3rd December 2026
 (29th October off)

7:30 - 9:55pm on Zoom
 Cost is €70 or €25 per module

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