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Looking back at Summer Outreach

- Youth Week
- CSSM
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- Bible Centred Ministries (BCM)
- Rebecca Glenny Uganda
- And much more!

"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." Matthew 9.36-38

Hello again and welcome back to Worldwise. In this issue, we reflect on what has been a busy summer for many in our congregation, as they served God in various ways across Kilkeel, Annalong, Lurgan, Lisburn, Belfast, Scotland... Even as far as Uganda! Many of these young people have taken the time to update us on the work they were involved in. As you enjoy reading these summer reports, please remember to pray that God will continue to equip more to serve and be used for the advancement of His kingdom. Apologies if anyone has been involved in mission work this summer but has not been included- the magazine includes anyone who signed their name on the summer mission sheets in the Church vestibules.



Photo above: Our young people enjoying fellowship and praise time at the campfire.

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"I was encouraged by how well everyone got on & participated in all aspects of the week from games, to worship, to spending time in God's word." **Alastair Glenny**



Youth week

"One of the highlights for our young people is our Youth Week away to England. Around 90 of us set off from Kilkeel to Shropshire for a week of fun, games, fellowship and discipleship. My favourite part of Youth Week was the sharing times we had each evening where the young people would share their favourite verse or something that was on their mind. It is encouraging to see how God is at work within the hearts of our young people." **Stephen Bingham**



What was the accommodation like?

"Cloverly hall had a lot to offer for our days on site with the swimming pool, tennis tournaments and football. We also had our day trip to Alton Towers. All these times allowed us to get to know one another better and have fellowship together."

Rachel Morris

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What did you study?

"The theme for our talks in 1 John this week was being 'Established in...', light, righteousness, love, hope, and truth. Our young people learned more about who they are in Christ Jesus, rather than who the world says they are. Many of us loved our Share Time the most, with everyone having the opportunity at the end of the day to share with the whole of YF what God had placed on their heart. For some, this meant sharing a favourite verse, and for others it was telling us all how God had helped them through difficult times." Lisa Stevenson

"Our Q and A session was based on how we can share our Faith with others." Stephen Bingham

"There was also time for Q&As and hot topic seminars where the young people could ask any questions they had about God or the Bible." **Rachel Morris**

"Please pray for the young people who attended this trip, and for all those who attend our YF. Thank God for the relationships that were built during this week and pray that they would grow deeper as we start another year of YF. Remember the families who send their young people faithfully. Pray also for energy and guidance as the leaders organise and lead each night. May young hearts be turned towards Jesus and may God receive all the glory." **Amy Hanna**



Youth week highlight "I really enjoyed the Thursday when we had YWOG (Youth Week Olympic Games- photo above shows one of the water challenges). It was really 3 good craic and the young ones seemed to enjoy it." **Daniel Annett**

BCM Mullartown Family Camp

Lois Henderson shares her Family Camp experience

"We had 15 families, making up around 60 campers. There were people of all ages and backgrounds there, from adult parents/guardians to children as young as 8 months old!

Every morning the families met in the barn for worship, a memory verse and Bible lesson from the life of Daniel. Before lunch, leaders and families split into 5 groups. I was with the Pioneers (aged 9-11) where I led sword drills, did a quiz on the lesson and a craft/activity. The afternoons had group activities or a day trip. After dinner we returned to the barn for more worship, a drama, a missionary story and another memory verse. I was really encouraged by how receptive the children were to the memory verses and their meanings. It was amazing to stand at the front, hear the children reciting verses and watch the impact and challenge this was having on some of their own parents' faith and

lives." Lois Henderson



"Please pray for the families and leaders as they're away from the atmosphere at camp, especially the camper who recently gave their life to Jesus and some parents who are still cold towards the gospel or were challenged by the topics brought up at Family Camp. Pray that the camp reunion later this year will be a blessing to all." **Lois Henderson**

Daniel Annett- Inters camp highlight.

"I got to share my testimony which was difficult. It was also encouraging to see the young people sharing their testimonies after. Pray for my path of life and what the future brings."

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Cranjield CSSM

"Once again we had a really blessed two weeks at Cranfield CSSM. Along with Alan Hanna and Alexandra Bready this was our 2nd year leading the team together. Across the two weeks there are sessions for all primary school kids up to 5th year in high school with some sessions for parents to bring babies and toddlers along to as well. God was exceedingly gracious in bringing along around 500 across the two weeks with a couple hundred there each day to sing songs, learn memory verses and hear the Gospel from God's word. We also started a brand-new section this year called "Jellyfish" for SEN children who wouldn't be able to engage with a regular CSSM section. It was wonderful to see 3 boys whom Jesus loves come along and engage with the Gospel." *Aldam Hanna*



Left:

The Children listening very attentively to a drama at Cranfield CSSM.

Encouragements

"One of our caravanners asked his granddaughter if she would like to go to Portrush with him next summer. She replied, "Grandad I would go anywhere with you next summer as long I'm back in time for Cranfield CSSM." **Stephen Bingham** "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." 5 John 10.10 Issue no. 32

"One of the awesome privileges has been to see Him continuing to grow of a really young team, many of whom are from Mourne. Seeing God equip leaders to serve on a team for the first time, teaching bible stories or leading quizzes or simply growing in confidence and ability to do those things year on year is incredibl" Adam. Hanna

What did the day (ook (ike? "Each day the section leaders met at 8.30 to plan and pray. The rest of the team joined them at 9.00 for a morning devotion led by a local Church member/leader, a time of prayer, and to prepare for the day. Our first session, the Big Tent Meeting, started at 11.15 each day when everyone joined together to sing, learn and hear from God's Word. After lunch at the field, our afternoon sessions started at 2.15, when we continued to sing, learn, build relationships, and there may have been a competitive game or two. This session finished at 3.30, when we returned to the Church Hall where many generous chefs from Church provided our dinners. After more planning and prayer, we returned to the field for the evening sessions at 7.00, when all ages were involved in small group Bible studies, as well as all of our usual activities. Around 9.00 we returned to the Youth Centre, shared with each other encouragements and prayer points and spent some time in prayer, praise and fellowship." **Aftar Hanna**



Above: Some of the 40+ leaders including Adam Hanna, Bethany Hanna, Alan Hanna, Amy Bingham, Stephen Bingham, Jack Nicholson, Joshua Morris, Rachel Morris, Ruth Annett, Gareth Holmes, Ben Chestnutt, Oliver Chestnutt, Daniel Chestnutt, Anna Chestnutt, Alice Annett, David Perry, Poppy Houston, Chloe Herron, Kailey-Rae Magill, Jessica Mitchell, Wilma Gordon, Lisa Stevenson & Emily-Kate Campbell.

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"We are so thankful for parents, carers and grandparents who dutifully brought their children to the tents faithfully no matter if it was raining, blowing a gale or the sun splitting the trees. We are so blessed to have a wonderful site provided for us every year by the Chestnutts, who are always at hand if we need assistance. We had over 500 kids this year who were able to learn about Jesus and the gospel through many CSSM songs, dramas, memory verses, activities and Bible stories presented by our team of leaders." **Stephen Bingham**

How can we Pray? "There were a couple of children at CSSM who became Christians, trusting in Jesus! Thank God for that and just pray that they will continue to grow in their faith in Him, that they will be provided with a support network within their families and churches. But also pray for many boys and girls who were really interested in what we were telling them about Jesus but didn't give their lives to Him. Pray that God will continue to work in them and that He will save them, bringing them to Himself. Also just pray for those who are Christians but don't come from Christian homes and don't have many Christian friends in school, pray that CSSM has encouraged them in their faith and that God would provide them with other Christians to encourage them during the year." **Rachef Morris**



Photo above: Lisa Stevenson with some of the leaders from Impact, Carryduff.

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IMPACT Carryduff

Lisa Stevenson talks about her time serving at IMPACT

"IMPACT involved Satellite Bible Clubs in the morning, Sport/Dance/Craft Clubs in the afternoon, and our Teen Event in the evening.

Our satellite clubs were placed in local estates, and aimed at younger children and families, and consisted of games, gospel songs, memory verses, a Bible talk, and a quiz to finish off. Most of the children who came along weren't familiar with the gospel, but they listened very well and understood God's word.

In the afternoons, there were three different activities for children to choose from located at Carryduff Presbyterian Church. Each station had a different activity each day, which linked into the lesson, where we focused on the 'Wordless Book', looking at a new colour each day to tell the gospel to the children.

To finish each day, we had our event targeting teenagers. To start, we had a game each night, such as murder mysteries or table quizzes, which helped build relationships with the leaders. Many of these teens were unfamiliar with God's Word. We heard a leader's testimony that showed how God works in our lives for His glory and for our good. Then, we spent time in God's word, looking at how Jesus calls, speaks to, and saves us. This was followed by time when we could look at study questions and answer any queries they had about God and following Him."

Prayer points: "Please pray for the children and young people at Carryduff, especially those who aren't from any sort of Church background, that God would allow the seeds which were planted to grow, and that these families would come to know God. Please also pray for the children who received Bibles, and for their families." Lisa Stevenson WorldwiseIssue no. 32Autumn 2024MillipsiCEFF
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Clubs (CEF)

Warren Glenny tells us about his time at CEF local Clubs, (24th June - 5th July)

"It was great to join many young people in the Mourne area from several of our local churches, to share the Gospel in various estates in our area, reaching primary school aged children with the truth of the Gospel. From Newry Street Kilkeel, to Shannagh Drive in Annalong and many estates in between, children learned about the Lord Jesus and how they could be forgiven by turning away from their sin and trusting in Jesus alone. These clubs challenged me as I was able to see again the need for sharing the Gospel to all people who live in our local area. Many who live a few streets away from us don't know the truth of the Gospel. And it was a challenge to me to think about what I am doing to share the Gospel with the unreached here in Mourne, not just in the summer but all year round."

85 Children aged 7-11 attended Mourne Junior Camp, Seaview, 21st-27th July.

Ross Henderson shares His time at CEF Mourne Area Junior Camp

"A day at camp begins at 7.45am with our leaders' prayer meeting. After breakfast we have our morning meeting with our Bible lesson from Ruth led by Olivia Crutchley. We'll have some songs led by a few leaders, then finish with a memory verse. The morning meeting is followed by games and crafts before lunch, and afterwards it is time for our big activities. These include a visit to the swimming pool, a trip to Cocos and a water fight. Following dinner we will have a shorter meeting- looking at the Beatitudes in Mattthew 5. Then it's getting close to 10pm, by which point were all ready for bed."

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Hello Lije Lurgan (BCM)



Above: Scott with some of the team at Hello Life, Lurgan.

Scott Henderson shares His time at Hello Life Lurgan (Bible Centred Ministries) 21st – 26th July

I was part of a team of six from Kilkeel, Annalong and Lisburn and we were running 3 kids' clubs for children of primary school age. We had roughly 15 children at each session and some parents joined us each day at our 3rd club.

The day began with morning devotions and a litter pick around the housing estates. Then we held our first club at Shankill. After lunch we had our clubs at Mourneview and then at the Shalom Centre. At each of these sessions we had games, a memory verse and Bible stories from the book of Judges, which told of Deborah, Samson and Gideon. We shared with the children that just as God's people needed rescuing from their enemies, we all need Jesus to save us from our sin. Our evenings were spent together with a time of Bible study and fellowship, along with a run to the leisure centre for a well needed shower!

This year it was nice to be more involved with the team at Emmanuel Church where we stay, and the new opportunity to run clubs at Shalom with some of the women from the church was great. They really encouraged us with their support and hospitality, and the evening we were invited to Heather's house for dinner was a highlight for all of us.

Please pray for the children who attended the clubs that they will trust in Jesus! Pray for opportunities for us to run clubs during the year as a lot of the children have no church connection.

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Warren Glenny and Joshua Herron embarked on a trip to Shotts, Scotland, 12th-20th July.

<u>Q&A</u>

Have you been on this team to Scotland before?

"Shotts has become a wee home from home for a few of us in the congregation. It was a privilege to return to this team for my second time with Josh." Warren

What did a typical day look like?

"The day began with a study of God's word which was led by our team leader. We then split into our two groups to attend the morning clubs which took place at Dykehead and Harthill. After this, we headed back to Shotts EU Congregational Church for some team time. The evening clubs were in Greenrigg and Salsburgh. After these clubs, we had some time of fellowship." Josh

Who were you reaching out to?

"Somewhere from 40-50 kids were reached across the 4 clubs throughout the week, Ages ranged from P1 all the way through to P7." Josh

"This year we were able to attend/partner or encourage 5 different churches around the surrounding area of Shotts and North Glasgow. The two teams held two clubs reaching both churched and unchurched children. In one of the areas Josh and I were in, we were really encouraged to have the opportunity to share the Gospel with some older high school aged boys." Warren



Left: Warren and Josh leading praise at one of the clubs in Shotts, Scotland.

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What encouraged you most?

"It was a great encouragement to see the enthusiasm that the other members of the team had to teach the young ones the gospel. Also to see the work that Pastor Phil Geary has done in Shotts and the way that the gospel has made such an impact on that little community since his work there began." Josh

Have you any prayer points?

- The children and young people who heard the Gospel
- Our Brothers and Sisters in Scotland
- Pray for the continued work of the Pastors and CEF workers in Scotland

West Kirk HBC

29th July- 2nd August

Ruth Annett

During the week our kids became "Truth Detectives" and discovered clues about Jesus, the parables he told and what they represent, e.g. on Monday the story of the wise man and the foolish man taught the children that Jesus is our rock that we need to build our life on. The PCI Impact team worked with the church to deliver songs, games, crafts and funny messy games. The kids loved coming along and engaged well with all parts of the club. Over the week our numbers were about 100 kids in the first two sessions and 21 for the teens in the evening! The turnout from the teens was a big encouragement and most who went over the summer have since returned to the Sunday night drop in. Please continue to pray for those numbers to continue, for all the children that we interacted with as they return to their homes and schools, and for their families, as the church attempts to stay connected with them.



Left: Some volunteers at West Kirk Holiday Bible Club. 12

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North Dublin 5-Day Clubs (CEF)

Warren Glenny shares his experience of Dublin 5-day clubs 17th - 21st June.

"Over this week our team of 3 ran two clubs for primary school aged children, one in Finglas and the other in Whitestown. Although the two clubs are both in North Dublin, they reached a different demographic of children. In Finglas all the children who attended were 2nd or 3rd generation immigrant children who had been brought up in Christian homes and attend church. In Whitestown the majority of children who attended were white Irish, with many of them not having heard the truth of the Gospel before. A 5-day club had not been run in Whitestown since before Covid so it was a privilege to be involved in sharing the Gospel in this area. At this club we had only 3 children who attended each day, as many of the children in this area were sceptical and dubious as to what the club was. However, we were really encouraged when about 10 new kids joined on the last day and were excited about hearing from the Bible. These kids asked many questions as they tried to understand the truth of the Gospel and how it compared to what they've been taught in the past."

Verse 2: There are children in my neighborhood, Children out to play. Children who have never heard That Jesus is

the way.



Above: Well known lyrics to a CEF song, highlighting the need for us to share the gospel with local children who may have never heard the true gospel.

Lets Pray

"Please be praying for these areas and for Dublin in general. True gospel witnesses are few and far between, but there are people who are dead in their sins who need the Gospel. So please pray that God would stir people to go and share the Gospel in this area. Please also Pray for the CEF worker in North Dublin, **Rosalind Patterson,** as she devotes her time to sharing the Gospel in this area of our island."



"In Lisburn this year it was great to serve alongside eight other young people from all around Northern Ireland. During this week, we partnered with Emmanuel Baptist Church. The week consisted of running two Kids' Clubs, helping the church and a local school with practical work, visiting two local nursing homes – spending time with the residents, singing hymns and sharing a gospel message there - and doing some door-to-door outreach. This year we were able to support the existing faithful door-to-door outreach team at Emmanuel by continuing sharing the Gospel at the doors each evening. It was a privilege to be able to support this work and see first had how God uses conversations at the door to challenge and convict those who are unsaved and encourage those who are saved. After the outreach each evening, as a team we spent time studying Proverbs 3 and praying for each other and the

week." Warren Glenny

"About 35 children attended across the week at both clubs but people were also reached through the door-to-door evangelism in Ballymacash and the visits to the two care homes.

Each morning, we headed to Emmanuel Baptist for some breakfast and time to devote to studying God's word. After lunch at Emmanuel Baptist, Lisburn, we headed to Hillhall and then to Old Warren for our two Bible clubs. We then headed back to the church for our dinner after which we did some doorto-door work. Following the door to door would be our evening activity. Throughout the week, the morning activity varied from painting the church fence, to visiting the care homes or doing some practical work at Lisburn central primary.

Pray for the continued door to door outreach around that area by Emmanuel Baptist. Pray for the children who were reached through the two clubs, that the Lord would work in their hearts." **Josh Herron**.

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North Dublin Juniors CEF

Warren Glenny. CEF. 3rd-9th August.

"Over thirty young people from the North Dublin area travelled to Kilkeel for a week of fun, making friends, but most importantly, to hear from God's word. This year's main Bible lesson was all about Ruth and how Boaz became her Kinsman Redeemer. Through this lesson, the children were taught of their need for a Redeemer, the Lord Jesus, who paid the price so that He can redeem us if we turn away from our sin and put our trust in Him.

In the evenings the children learned about the importance of mission work. This was emphasised through the lessons on Hudson Taylor and the interactive talks about the CEF Christians Together Project. The focus on mission encouraged the Christian children to think about the importance of sharing the Gospel with their friends, to pray for missionaries and to consider given a little amount of money to support missionaries." Warren

Lets Pray

- The unsaved children who heard the Gospel
- The Christian children, that they would continue to walk in faith
- For the Christian churches in Dublin that they would be good faithful witnesses to Christ

"And He said to them, 'Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation"." Mark 16.15

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11th-17th August

Seaview Kilkeel

90 teens aged 15-17



"Teen camp begins at 8am with our leaders' prayer meeting. Then at 8.30am we have a quiet time. We really encouraged the teens to participate in this, trying to build good routines that they can carry with them beyond this week in the summer. After breakfast we had our morning meeting. Colin Hyland's lessons this year looked at one of God's names each day, and what these names tell us about God's character. After our meeting we had our big activities, including a Binnian hike, water sports in Warrenpoint and hunt the leader around Kilkeel. Our evening meetings had leaders give their testimony, before having a time of praise.

The other leaders at the camp were a great encouragement, as I could serve alongside people who had been my leader at camp, and people whom I have led.

Pray for the teenagers in particular. Some of them are struggling in their faith with the pressure, temptation and allure of the world. Pray that they would seek first God's kingdom." **Ross Henderson**



"Like each week over the summer months, Seaview was hiving with enthusiastic young people ready for good craic, good food and to hear from God's word. It was a privilege to serve once again by helping in the kitchen and leading a small group in the evenings."

Warren Glenny

Above: Ross with other Teen Camp leaders on Binnian.

WorldwiseIssue no. 32Autumn 2024Rebecca & Laura Glenny in Uganda

"My sister Laura and I spent three months in Uganda, based at Bethel Royal High School Guest House in Nakasongola. Laura was very busy this time with many medical cases. We had many children requiring serious medical care as well as some kids who were sent for scans, tests and surgeries.

We spent a day in Luwero at an event held for children with disabilities. Two buses were organised to take some of the children and their parents, and it was a lovely surprise when we arrived to see many of our other families in attendance. The children were measured for assistive devices and some for wheelchairs which we hope will not take too long to come. Unfortunately getting wheelchairs has been difficult as they don't always supply them to certain regions. A wheelchair can be life changing for the child and their families discussing family life, promoting children's development and education with toys, and sensory activities like painting some of the children's hands and feet. In July we were joined by our cousin Alana and friend Lucy who got to meet many of our children.

The children are doing well and making progress since our trip; two more of the children have started to walk unaided! The families are very grateful to everyone who has helped them in any way. Many of them had lost hope but knowing that someone from home donated money for a mattress or clothes or toys to help their children has really encouraged them to work hard for them." **Rebecca Glenny**



Left: Richard, Alana, Laura, Rebecca, Lucy and little Jonathan.

Rebecca and Laura really appreciate your prayer for the ongoing work in Uganda.

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Alice's story

"Alice, a 5-year-old refugee from South Sudan, lives in a small grass thatched mud hut in Nakasongola, Uganda, with her young parents and two brothers.

Baby Stephen has Hydrocephalus, and her older brother (8) is autistic. Her parents do not speak the local language. On our first visit we found the family lying on mats on the floor and their hygiene was poor. Alice couldn't walk and had very bad wounds on her legs and bottom, due to bum shuffling on the dirty ground to get around. With open wounds, the risk of infection was high. Through donations, family were provided with a mattress, bed sheets, mosquito net, soap, clothes and some toys. She was seen by a local doctor, but her case became increasingly serious when they discovered she also had a rare blood type, so was rushed via ambulance to hospital. She was treated for severe malnutrition, anaemia, and malaria. She was in hospital for over a month, then returned home to use a wheelchair, to reduce the wounds.

We returned in May to find more of her toes were missing; the rats had eaten them off and, as she has no feeling, she didn't know. Since returning home this time we were informed that Alice has burnt her foot in the fire, so will need more treatment. Every time there is a problem with Stephen's shunt, his parents must travel 8 hours on buses to get him to the nearest hospital. Stephen and Alice frequently have hospital appointments, making it difficult for mum and dad both physically and financially. Because they are so young and struggling sometimes home life is not always very good.

We enrolled Alice and her brother in school before Alice was taken to hospital. Alice can't walk but she sure can talk, and we knew school would be the perfect place for her. Her parents walk over an hour to get them to school. When we visited the school to see how things were going, they said Alice is enjoying school, but they couldn't handle her brother. This really hurt us as they hadn't even given him a week to settle in. Our main goal when we return to Uganda is to find a different school for both children who will accept them for who they are and treat them with the respect they deserve. Just because they have a disability does not mean that they can't learn with some extra help and support." Rebecca Glenny

