

# Foundation in Christ Ministries 2007 Annual Report



*“For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.”—1 Corinthians 3:11*

***“God ... will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them.”—Hebrews 6:10 NIV***

It is time again to report to you the challenging and exciting opportunities to share the Good News through Foundation in Christ Ministries, Ltd. Thank you sincerely for your continued prayerful support to this work.

***“The Lord is ... not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.”***

—2 Peter 3:9 NKJV

Over the last year we held **evangelism training sessions** equipping people to share their faith through door-to-door contacts. Several times a month teams of Irish people call on their neighbors to share the Good News. We are amazed at how open people are to hear about the hope available in Christ.



*Volunteers gather at An Tobar Nua for training to share the Good News.*

***“I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ.”***

—Romans 1:16 NKJV

With full support of school administration we held 17 all-day **Passion Retreats** for high school students this past year. Ten retreats took place at our expanded facility. Each retreat includes a staff testimony, Gospel presentation, evidence of the Resurrection, and a challenge showing the need for new life in Jesus. This year 321 students made a public commitment to Jesus. Each one came to the front of the group and signed a book representing the Lamb's Book of Life. We are amazed at those who risk ridicule from their friends by this public declaration of faith. This is a clear work of the Holy Spirit and we are blessed to be witnesses.

***“You will grow as you learn to know God better and better.”—Colossians 1:10 NLT***

We also present **talks in local high schools** as part of their religious education program. One talk

explains God's plan for our sexuality, and the consequences of poor lifestyle choices. Another talk addresses the effects of drug and alcohol abuse, and what the Scriptures reveal about a life free from addiction. The student feedback has been overwhelmingly positive:

- *“It opened my eyes more about God.”*
- *“They inspired me not to do drugs or have sex before marriage.”*
- *“I will try to follow Jesus as my Lord and try to let go of the hatred in my heart.”*

***“True wisdom and power are found in God; counsel and understanding are his.”—Job 2:13 NLT***

The **Counseling and Prayer Ministry** grows as people seek us out, based on others' testimony of the value of our Biblically based counseling. A woman who has been free of depression for two and a half years said the turning point came when she began counseling through the ministry after secular counseling proved unsuccessful. She bases the effective results on the prayer and the faith-based approach. Staff member Tommy O'Loughlin has now completed a Christian Counseling course, and assists in these services.



*High-energy lunch crowd packs out An Tobar Nua.*

**“God’s message continued to spread...”**

—Acts 6:7 NLT

This last year also saw opportunity for **expanding outreach** outside County Galway in Knock, Co. Mayo. Kelly presented a Money Management program from a Christian perspective at the School



*Kelly with Bishop Drennan and Managing Director Mike Shortt*

of Evangelism. And in July, Mike Shortt was the featured speaker to over 1,000 young people at National Youth Festival.

**“Growing in every way more and more like Christ...”** —Ephesians 4:15 NLT

**Emmaus Scripture School** classes launched this past year under the leadership of Dr. Arden Autry. Classes started in Winter 2007 with four eager students. Fall semester enrollment increased with classes offered in Old Testament, Life of Christ, Romans, and Biblical Interpretation.

In September, we began the **Ministry Experience Program**. Three students from Taylor University (Upland, Indiana) will work in the ministry and take missions courses, earning academic credit. Four other students come in January 2008, as Taylor will send similar numbers each semester. We continue working with other colleges to expand this program.

**“Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives.”** —Colossians 3:16 NLT

We continue the weekly **Bible Discovery**, which is open to the general public. Last year we studied Romans and Isaiah. This fall we will look at “Jesus and the Family of God: Studies in Luke.” We continue to see folks from various backgrounds, including unbelievers, desiring to investigate the Christian faith and the teaching of the Scripture.

**“I will never leave you nor forsake you...”**

—Hebrews 13:5 NKJV

Through our **Bridges Crisis Pregnancy Program** we offer practical help in a caring Christian atmosphere to women in crisis pregnancy. With your generous help our services are free of charge and include pregnancy tests, ultrasound scans, coun-

*Susan, Dr. Rita, and Bridges Director Anne Buckley look over the new ultrasound equipment.*



seling, education, and accommodation where necessary. Since acquiring our state-of-the-art ultrasound scanner we have seen how powerful the images of unborn babies can be as our clients choose to give life rather than abort their babies.

*Ongoing Needs*

Proceeds from the café and book shop supply about 22% of our annual need as well as providing numerous opportunities for ministry. This will ultimately grow to about 35%, including our schools based programs in the Emmaus Scripture School.

We are deeply grateful to God and to you for your faithful participation with us in this growing work in Ireland. We very much appreciate your generous and faithful support for this amazing year! Thank you for your time and attention to this information.

With best wishes for God’s blessing,

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Rev. Kelly E. Curry  
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