



THE THARP FAMILY  
MISSIONARIES IN IRELAND  
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**Dear Praying Friends,**

Happy New Year to you all! We hope and pray that each of you had a joyous Christmas and a blessed entrance into this new year. We had a sweet time of worship with our church family on Christmas Eve, and on New Year's Eve, we were blessed to bring in the new year with some dear friends from Navan as well as our church family. During our New Year's Eve service, we had a challenge from God's Word and then partook of the Lord's Supper together. We ended the evening with a fellowship and games and a Christian film. We are thankful for every opportunity to get together with God's people here.

**Vision** – The Lord has given a goal and focus to me for my family and ministry – ORDER. (1 Corinthians 14:40 Let all things be done decently and in order.) One of the prayers that the Apostle Paul requested be made for him was that his ministry would be effective. The Lord has shown me that in order for our ministry in Ireland and my own ministry even in my family to be effective, I must follow the direction of the Holy Spirit, and seek to lead with order. I would ask that you pray for me as I lead my family and God's church here in this direction. New Life Baptist Church will have its first ever "Vision Service" this Sunday, during which I will present this, what it means for us, and how I believe the Lord wants us to proceed. Please pray that God's people will catch this vision! We must be and do more for the cause of Christ. He is worthy. We pray that God will use us to see souls saved and God's people be built up and encouraged to holy living. We pray the same for each of your churches.

**Outreach** – This past weekend, we passed out another 4 Bibles to folks on the street. During this time, we spoke with several people and handed out many Gospel tracts. One of the young men who came and got a Bible was called Chris. This young man had literally just been looking in two different book shops for a King James Bible and couldn't find one. Then he walked by and saw our sign that said, "Free Bibles." He said it was too good to be true and even offered to pay us for it. He was searching for the Truth and I tried to share the Gospel with Him. He had several questions about Bible translations and said he was interested in coming to church. Please pray. There are so many people here that are searching, but afraid to even try coming to church. There is so much stigma attached to attending anything other than where they were raised attending.

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**Health** – The day after our church's Christmas program, our whole family went down with sickness. Some are still trying to fully recover. Several in our church have been dealing with sickness as well. Please pray that God would heal those who are struggling, and keep hearts encouraged.

**Anniversary** – Our family arrived in Ireland at the end of January in 2014, so we are about to celebrate 11 years in the field. I was just speaking with Monica about how my computer now has files with prayer letters for the past 14 years! Some of you precious churches have supported us that entire time. We are so thankful for ALL of you who support us in prayers and finances, no matter how long you've done so. Many of you have even taken the time to write to us and share what is going on in your ministries. We love the encouragement you all are. We know that it is only God's grace that brought us here, and has sustained and kept us here. He has used you all to extend that to us. THANK YOU!

**In Christ,** Philip & Monica Tharp,  
Darren, Katie, Nathan, Lillian, Evangeline, & Peter