

Newsletter

32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. Acts 4:32

Like a “Kid in a Candy Shop,” Bursting With Excitement About Project 4:32!

In our last newsletter, #70, I hinted at some exciting news that I couldn't yet share. Well, it's time to unveil it! We are currently at 70.56% of Phase One in Project 4:32! If you were in Ireland, you'd see me leaping for joy, and let me tell you, a 250-pound man jumping is quite the sight!

If you're new to our newsletters and asking yourself, “What is Project 4:32?” Allow me to share! This is an ambitious plan to build the first Baptist church from the ground up. You might wonder, “What's the significance of that?” It is monumental.

This would be the first Baptist church built (not retrofitted) since 1892 in the Munster Province. Munster comprises counties such as Clare, Cork, Kerry, Limerick, Tipperary, and Waterford. Remarkably, three of the five most populated cities in Ireland are in Munster. I've researched and found no other new Baptist church built from the ground up anywhere in Ireland, except for one in Dublin, the capital, with nearly 2 million residents.

This new church will serve as a launching pad for one-on-one discipleship and eventually a Bible institute. We are committed to establishing a permanent duplication centre that will empower us to teach and send men and women across Munster and throughout Ireland. Our vision is to create lighthouses that are purpose-built for this mission, not temporary structures or retrofit.

While redone churches can be effective, with a Roman Catholic population of 98%, many do not view the church as the community of believers. When they speak of the church, they think of the physical buildings made of stone and adorned with stained glass that have stood for centuries. It is crucial for the Irish to have a dedicated church built as a house of worship, incorporating traditional elements of stone and glass. This will provide a powerful platform to teach them about the local church as the body of Christ.

When facing challenging ground, we must have the right tools for the job. A shovel may get the job done, but a tractor pulling a plow is far more effective. Given the gravity of our mission, we need the right resources to reach people, teach them, and send them out to do the same.

Currently, we're at 70% in Phase One. I recently met with our estate agent, a familiar face since I trained his son on the rugby pitch. Together, we reviewed the properties that inspire us. We have identified three prime locations right across from the train and bus stations—exactly where we want to be. Each of these properties is highly visible within the community, situated on the main road and close to transportation—ideal spots for a lighthouse.



Map of Tralee at the estate agent's office per our meeting.



Project 4:32

Please continue to pray for Project 4:32.

Pray for the remaining 30% to come in quickly.



Pray for the four that have surrendered to follow the Lord in baptism on Sunday, the 20th



Deadly Buzz

An exciting or thrilling experience. Example: “Going on a roller coaster was a deadly buzz; my heart was racing!”