

Newsletter

“I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.
So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.”

1 Corinthians 3:6–7

Seats Filling, Hearts Growing.

So, as always, it's a joy to sit down and look back over the previous month. It's a joy because the Lord has a way of encouraging us even in the middle of a storm—not by removing every hardship, but by reminding us He is still God while the winds blow. It's a joy because I know you're out there reading this newsletter, as you have so many times before, and praying for us. **Please hear me:** your prayers matter more than you know! We feel them, and we need them. I'm encouraged, too, because God is moving among our church family. Ministry is real life together—working together, rejoicing together, and yes, even mourning together. Through it all, one truth keeps ringing: **God is good all the time, and all the time God is good.**



Denise is with some ladies doing a devotional in our community

In January and February, the church has continued to grow. There have been Sundays when I honestly wondered if we'd have enough seats. Now, before you think I'm packing a stadium, it's just a small room with 100+ chairs in it. As every pastor knows (even if we don't always say it out loud), if everyone showed up at once, we'd have more than a packed house. That's another reason **Project 4:32** is so important. As we **wait on the Lord to provide** the funds to build the First Baptist Church building in County Kerry (population 147,707), I've been challenging our church with a clear goal: when that building comes, I want us ready—not just with a structure, but with biblical strength. I would love for us to be running two services by that time. The only way we can do that is by living out a simple biblical principle: **reach one and teach one #discipleship**. That's why we are so invested in **one-on-one reproducible discipleship**. Make no mistake, it is painstakingly challenging work. It takes time, patience, and persistence. But the Lord never promised this would be easy—He promised He'd be with us. Denise and I are united in this prayer: a church full of people who have been discipled and are now faithfully discipling others. A whole church on mission for Christ—WOW, that's thrilling to think about!

But as you know, sometimes good news comes with hard news. Right now, it looks like our teammates won't make it to Ieland. We're disappointed, but we're not defeated. It does feel like spiritual opposition, and we're asking you to please keep them in your prayers. This also means we need to make some recalculations in the ministry. Denise and I have always prayed that God would raise up faithful leaders in His church here in Tralee, but we need that more than ever. Will you join us in praying?

- Pray that God will raise up faithful men and women to serve here.
- Pray that God will call not just one preacher, but several.
- Pray that our church will grow in passion to reach families and the community.
- Pray that one-on-one discipleship would spread like wildfire.
- Pray that God would do something unmistakably miraculous—something only He can do. Something of biblical proportions - conviction, repentance, and salvation... not locusts.



This January, we celebrated 12 years on the field. Here's a picture from then and now.

My heart longs to see the power of the Lord sweep across this land and stir people for Christ—not just full seats, but awakened hearts. I'm praying for real conviction, real repentance, and real faith in Jesus; for lives and homes changed, chains broken, and everyday people boldly living for the Lord.

Thank you for reading, praying, and standing with us. We're not discouraged—we're expectant. The same God who saved us can shake a county, build His church, and do far more than we could ever plan or produce. So we'll keep sowing the seed, reaching one and teaching one, and trusting Him to give the increase in His perfect time.



Project 4:32

Please continue to pray for Project 4:32, now entering Phase 2. We are currently now 23.77% of Phase 2, praise the Lord.



So Denise and I are happy to share with you that Connor and Holly (our oldest son and his wife) are having their second child, who is our second grandchild. **Let's gooooo!**



Just a bit of fun, but continue to pray for God's grace over our family here in the United States.



“He's a bit of a character.”

He's... a handful (but we're being polite).