

The Campbells to Wales

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Upcoming Events

Baptism – 9 June

Sending Church

Battlefield Baptist Church
4361 Lee Hwy
Warrenton, VA 20187



Information table on our town high street with Emma (l), her mum and Stephen (r) (who recently joined with our chapel). We were promoting an outreach course we are running in June which explains Christianity through the book of Mark.



It may not look like much but the child gate marks a key milestone when we now have a creche for services (every other week at the moment)!

Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

Matthew 9:38

Thank you for your prayers and support!

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Specials

Update: Holywell

Greetings from Wales in the name of our dear Saviour, Jesus Christ. The days are getting long again with scattered light visible on the horizon near 11 pm – we have not gotten over this in 13 years on the field. This spring has gone quickly over here. We had a good **Easter** service at the chapel, but the best part was holding our first Easter service at **a local limited care home, Plas Yr Ywen**. We had about 20 residents come down to participate in it. As a result, they have asked us if we will hold a monthly service in their facility. We will be starting this on the first Sunday in June and continue on after that. Prayerfully, this will be a blessing to the residents as we minister the gospel to them as well as provide a growth opportunity for our members in music as well as bringing a message. As a reminder, this facility houses about 85 residents from the local and

surrounding areas. We were pleasantly surprised to see Elizabeth there, a woman we purchased food for during covid restrictions several years ago.

I also mentioned that we had several people offer to have background checks done in order to serve in the chapel. We now have 4 in addition to Mary and me cleared to minister properly under Welsh Child Safeguarding regulations. We started a **creche** (aka. nursery in the States) just a few weekends ago and it will be open during service on alternating weeks so all the workers can attend services. It was exciting to have 4 babies in chapel last week. Prayerfully, this will encourage other young couples to come to chapel. We continue to see steady growth at the chapel and attendance is nearing 40 (more if everyone showed up on a given Sunday). This may sound

Growing Pains ...

Our **Fantastic Fridays!** youth club has remained fairly stable over the past several months, numbering about 9-10 each week. Last autumn we made a conscious decision to allow the young people moving up from primary school to high school to remain in the club for at least one more year. The hope was that we would take that group and start a teen ministry should a couple in the

congregation step forward. No one has done so and it is clear that we have 2 youth groups in our one group. So, we are in the position of choosing the best over the better and have decided to keep the original format and exclude the high schoolers. We will keep in touch and prayerfully, as the chapel grows, start a proper teen ministry. You might like to know some of the reasons.



self-serving, but I can really hear the difference of the additional voices when leading the music. There is a new fullness in the singing which is a blessing to me.

Mary and I sat down with Natasha, a single mother we met through an outreach 2 years ago to discuss her salvation. She gave us a clear salvation testimony and she has asked to follow the Lord in believer's **baptism** in early June. Her older daughter, Olivia has been attending our **Fantastic Fridays!** youth club regularly.

I have had a busy spring, teaching 2 courses at BBC GB – Old Testament Survey 3 (Samuel-Nehemiah) and Intro. to Missions. It is a blessing investing in the next generation of Christian leaders and workers. I had hoped to teach an Ecclesiology course but swapped the missions class instead to help one of the college leaders in his scheduling.

The younger age group is much more teachable, yet a few teens are starting to ask "real" questions about God. Unfortunately, the older youth tend to be more disruptive and make it difficult to teach a lesson (this is a cultural problem we deal with). In fact, our older youth became less respectful after they entered high school – go figure. Pray for us for workers for the harvest *for the labourers are few.*