

# The Campbells to Wales

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## Upcoming Events

Furlough Completion  
Chapel Christmas Dinner  
Christmas Eve Carol Service

## Sending Church

Battlefield Baptist Church  
4361 Lee Hwy  
Warrenton, VA 20187



Visiting Tim and Cindy's church in Maryland where we spoke to the children's Sunday school class about Wales.



We spent some wonderful time with retired missionaries Larry and Dixie Quade – they were instrumental in helping us get acquainted with ministry in Wales.

*Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.*

**Isaiah 7:14**

**Nadolig Llauen!  
Happy Christmas!**

**Thank you for your  
prayers and support!**

## Update: Stateside

Greetings from the Campbells! We are still in the States on our short furlough. We have been busy reporting to supporting churches and spending a bit of time with our children, grand children and close family. We will be returning to Wales in the first week of December, having spent Thanksgiving with our children (actually 2 Thanksgivings given they live in 2 States). We get asked why we do not stay through Christmas. The simple answer is that our Christmas Eve carol service is our best attended service and the most responded to outreach we do. While we usually have a number of visitors for Christmas, we do not get visitors for Easter. A sad statement.

Mary has been able to see a back specialist while we have been in the States. They tried another injection which provided little relief. However, we are hopeful

## Walking our faith ...

Stephen, one of the men in our chapel, contacted me on furlough to say that he had invited his barber (a Muslim) to our chapel, which was great! However, he went on to say that, in turn, his barber invited him to his mosque, a new one opening in his town of Denbigh. I said that too was great – there should be no concerns with Stephen going but if he was worried to take

that some physical therapy she is getting late in our furlough will help with the pain (the therapist seems to have identified the main source of pain). Continue to hold Mary up in prayer that she can get relief and that she gets an effective physio plan which she can continue in Wales.

We have been pleased to hear how the ministry in Holywell has been continuing in our absence. We are grateful for the effort Kevin Pine (BBF missionary in England) has been putting into bringing a Sunday sermon for Bethel. We have had positive feedback about his messages.

Our weekly coffee morning continues with two of our ladies taking responsibility for it - even one of our men covering when needed. One week recently, two north Wales police officers came to it to inquire with me about our children's ministry. This is part of a

another of our men. I explained the old adage – they do not care how much you know until they know how much you care. I suspect his barber will not come to our chapel until Stephen goes to their mosque. As Islam becomes more prominent in our community in Wales, we need to tool up to reach them. Most apologists note that it is a long process to share the Christian faith –



governmental programme to curb youth antisocial behaviour. I look forward to meeting with them when we return but it shows another aspect of the coffee morning which lets us connect with the town in several ways, not just ministering to the elderly. The congregation is also planning on having an information table at the town Christmas light "switch on" the last week of November. This is basically a fair which covers the entire town high street with rides, food, and performances by the school children – it is one of the largest annual events in Holywell. We started setting up a table several years ago as an opportunity to invite people to our carol service and share the gospel. We are proud that the congregation is taking the step to orchestrate it themselves. We are praying for good weather for that afternoon/evening.

take our time, ask them questions, share how our faith gives us peace in our relationship with Christ. Stephen has yet to go – I will be happy to go when we get back. However, I have asked Stephen to work through one of the good apologetic books on Islam as part of our weekly Bible study (which he is leading in my absence). Please pray for fruit from this new area of ministry.