

Foundation In Christ Ministries 2006 Annual Report



"You've been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ," —Philippians 1:5 NLT

Once again I have the privilege of reporting to you on another amazing year. Each opportunity listed below is shared with each of you who have prayerfully invested with us in the lives that have been impacted by the work of the Holy Spirit.

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you," —Psalm 32:8 NIV

During this last year we presented 12 **School Retreats** and taught 34 religious education classes in the local schools. Our full day *Passion Retreats* consist of a staff testimony, a *Pure in Heart* talk about chastity, a segment on the dangers of drug and alcohol use and abuse, and a presentation of the Good News of Christ. This school year we saw 457 of 614 high school Juniors and Seniors who attended our *Passion Retreats* make a commitment that day!

"... that he may have something to share with those in need," —Ephesians 4:28 NIV

The **Brochure Ministry** has continued to grow over the last year with *257,000 distributed through 459 churches*. During the 2007-year we will have reached our target of offering them to all the churches in Ireland.

We have developed two new brochures. One was completed with the help of a well known physician on the dangers of sexually transmitted disease, and demand has been strong! Four other brochures have been published by periodicals distributed throughout Ireland. One of these, *The Curates Diary*, is circulated to every Diocese in Ireland and is readily recognized as a leading Christian publication. As a result, we have received requests for brochure copies from prayer groups around the country.

"If one person falls, another can reach out and help..."

—Ecclesiastes 4:10 NLT

Our **Counseling and Prayer Ministry** remains in strong demand as people struggle with the results of poor lifestyle decisions and the stresses of everyday living. We continue to see people healed and able to move on, *"Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead..."* Philippians 3:13b, NLT. One of our staff is taking advantage of our Tuition Reimbursement and enrolling in the diploma program for certification in Christian Counseling. This will enable us to grow this work and meet the need in the West of Ireland.

"Let us not give up meeting together..."

—Hebrews 10:25 NLT

Having entered its sixth year, our **Bible Discovery Program** added an additional session offering a different focus from our continuing Tuesday night program. These studies have attracted an average of 15 people, from a variety of backgrounds. In addition, we offered

a drop-in series on the dangers of a promiscuous lifestyle. The café and book shops continue to supply about 40% of our annual need as well as presenting numerous opportunities for ministry.

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full," —John 10:10 NIV

The **Tearmann (Oasis) Retreat Center** has now been completed! We held our first conference in September (with a packed house), and have several more conferences scheduled over this next year.

As a part of the Retreat Center and Bridges program, we will soon offer a Crisis Pregnancy service for Galway. Physician coverage is being provided through *Human Life International*. This facility will offer Galway's only ultrasound-supported pregnancy service, providing a colour Doppler 3D enhanced unit on a wall mounted screen for the young girls to see their unborn child. There is only one other machine like it in the country and we have already seen our first choice for life! This is much needed as abortions in Ireland have increased substantially in the last three years. We have also begun the live-in element of our **Bridges** program for pregnant young women, and will offer a nine month stay with educational programs for those deciding to keep their babies. We have now added a *Bridges* Program Manager and are developing admission criteria and daily program guides.



KELLY IN CONVERSATION WITH LOCAL CATHOLIC PRIESTS.

"Teach me your ways so I may know you,"

—Exodus 33:13

Dr Auden Autry (and his wife, June) will join us on July 06 as the Director of our *Emmaus Scripture School*. Dr. Autry is a published Biblical scholar with over 26 years of teaching experience, and the contributing author of the forthcoming companion commentary to the "Spirit Filled Life Bible." To take advantage of his presence, we have arranged with Taylor University to provide four students per semester for our **Ministry Experience Program**. This program will offer classes in Irish culture, apologetics and relationship evangelism, along with hands-on ministry experience in the schools and café outreaches. Students will receive 14 credit hours, leading to a minor in "Ministry Experience." We are now discussing similar arrangements with three other schools. In addition, we will begin our one year Bible certificate program in January. We are now associated with Torchbearers International and with Oral Roberts University, and will be able to award a dual certificate.

"Pray also for us that God may open a door to us for the message," —Colossians 4:3 HCSB

FLAME FM is an ongoing project for us. The recent award of a station in Cork may signal a change in the government's attitude towards Christian radio. In fact, the government intends to offer a nationwide frequency sometime in the next 12 months. Our vision is for there to be a station in Galway but, as of now, there are no plans by the Broadcast Commission of Ireland to make a frequency available locally. We are praying as this project develops.



RYAN WITH HIS BIBLE IN CAFE.

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see," —Hebrews 11:1 NIV

The addition of these programs, particularly the free accommodation for *Bridges*, brings a needed increase of \$100,000 per year in annual giving. We are working towards this goal with Fellowship nights and other events to make more people aware of FICM and its work here in Galway. As always, we are most appreciative of your kind support enabling us to carry on helping people to develop a meaningful relationship with the Lord.

Praise be to God.

Thanks so very much for your time and attention to the above.

Serving Him,

Rev. Kelly E. Curry
President



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FOR JESUS MADE AT
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NAILED TO THE CROSS.



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