

# The Thatchers

## Waterford, Ireland



- Ireland's population, 4.5 million
- 34% of population 25 years old or younger
- Dublin's population over 1.2 million
- Waterford's population over 46,000
- 85% still claim to be Roman Catholic

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Dear Friends,

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Oh, how we thank the Lord for bringing us safely through another year! We are truly blessed and thankful that our God has supplied all our needs once again throughout this past year. 2019 marked the 15<sup>th</sup> year of ministry for us in the Country of Ireland. With that in mind, 2019 was one of the most challenging years that we have had in so many ways. We saw the devil hard at work trying to wreak havoc and destruction in the lives of many. We were exposed to situations in dealing with people which we had never faced before. At times, it was overwhelming, but in these different and difficult things the Lord showed Himself strong.

The church endured some heavy burdens throughout the year, but the Lord has helped us along way. In the summer, we had the best holiday Bible club that we ever had along with some of the greatest revival meetings with Evangelist Bob Jones. At the mid-point of the year the Lord blessed us with a visiting family that came as a result of one of our church members inviting their daughter to the summer Bible club. This family has been coming faithfully since then. This was an answer to our prayer for a new family to be reached in 2019. As we finished out the year our mid-week service attendance seems to have strengthened and taken good root.

Lisa has improved greatly with her dental/jaw situation. All the major procedures have been done. She continues to have some follow up support therapy to aid in the ongoing healing process. We are thankful for the Lord's leading throughout this journey and for the many opportunities of witness for Him to people in places that we would have never been had it not been for this issue.

Do pray with us for two individuals-one man and one woman-both in great spiritual need though both have made professions of faith. Do continue to pray for the family that had major disruptions last year to continue to mend and heal. Pray again with us this year that the Lord would help us to reach another family for salvation and to come to church. Also, be praying for Karissa as she has been taking driving lessons and after finishing them up soon, she will then have to take the driving test. This driving test is quite daunting as it is very subjective and there seems to be a high failure rate to enable retesting which comes with more fees.

Thank you for the extra Christmas funds, gifts and prayers that were giving to us this year.

May the Lord find us faithful,  
Don and Lisa Thatcher & family

Our Christmas Concert with The Baptist College International of Romania

