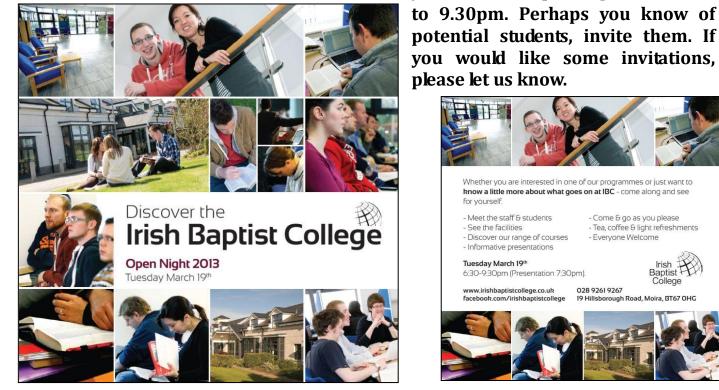




March 2013

OPEN NIGHT A reminder about Tuesday 19th March. Open Night from 6.30



MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP SCHEME As

we consider the students who graduate each year, not all are able to immediately find ministry opportunities. Often the issue is not a lack of willingness by a church or other organisation but a lack of finance. This Scheme aims to offer financial assistance to churches and missionary organisations to take on a graduate as an Assistant Pastor or Apprentice Missionary for a set period of time. The experience gained would be invaluable for the graduate who would then be better prepared to pastor a church or work in mission, whilst at the same time being beneficial to the church or society.

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If you would like to find out how you can help, then please contact the College or request a leaflet which will give more information.



THE MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP SCHEME





TRIENNIAL REVIEW As part of the accreditation arrangement with the

University of Chester we are subject to a review every three years. A busy Wednesday in February saw a team of five visiting IBC from the University. This was our first review after accreditation in 2010. The review panel spent the day interviewing staff and students and



assessing our ability to continue delivering the various programmes accredited by the University. The feedback session was very complimentary of IBC and the panel has recommended that the agreement be renewed for a further 3 years.



PASTORS' CONFERENCE

was held first week in March in Glenada, Newcastle. This year's speaker was Noel McCullins. Noel is a Baptist Pastor who has ministered in Scotland for some 30+ years, but is originally from Belfast. The theme was Unreached! It was very encouraging to see a number of recent IBC graduates now ministering in different churches, mainly in Ireland but

also from 'across the water' in Scotland and England. Along with our current third year group there was a wonderful opportunity for all present to see the calibre of student coming through the Preparation for Ministry course.



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