

Baptist College

newsletter from the staff and students of the Irish Baptist College

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OLLEGE RESTART It's hard to believe that the first month of the new academic year has finished. We give thanks to God for His blessings and encouragements. The first year students have settled in well and the returning students have 'reacclimatized' to study after what was a busy summer for most. Enrolment has been good for the part-time classes. For example, there are now 40 in the Women's Ministry Course and we have eight students studying with us every Thursday on the day-release programme. The Ladies' Study Fellowship also takes place on Thursday morning so car-parking, canteen and classroom space is all at a premium. Total student numbers now stand at almost 270.

The postgraduate MA intake has also been busy with the 20 new students attending classes during September. (see photograph below)



EVANGELISM TEAMS Please pray for the four teams taking place from Sunday 16th until Saturday 22nd October. This year they will be working with the Coleraine. Dundalk, Portadown and a joint team with the Sion Mills and Dunamanagh Churches, Remember the teams and centre leaders. Chris Ferris with Pastor Trevor Watson in Coleraine. Gordon Walker with Pastor Stephen Murphy in Dundalk. Peter Lawther with Pastor John Kimber in Portadown. Neal Gordon and Gareth Bell with David Wolfe and Pastor Joe Flanagan in Sion Mills and Dunamanagh.

FINANCE Continue to pray for the financial needs of the College. Two thirds of our income comes from fees. However we look to churches and individuals to supply the balance, allowing us to maintain fees at an affordable level. Compared to the same period last year, Church giving is down. Please pray for the necessary finance. Thank you.



