

November 2009

EVANGELISM TEAMS took place from 18th to 24th October. The student body was split into four teams and worked alongside the Carryduff, Castlederg, Cavan and Grove (Belfast) Baptist churches. The teams were involved in a wide range of activities. From door-to-door visitation, to taking RE classes and school assemblies. From helping with Christianity Explored courses to practical projects. From men's meetings and services in nursing homes to café outreach. In all these activities the students were stretched and challenged to put into practice what they have been learning in college.



IT WAS EXHILARATING to hear the reports from the four venues. A common phrase that came through was that they had been forced out of their 'comfort zone' to engage in types of evangelism that they had not been involved in or had found daunting before. One student, after engaging in door to door work, returned to his own church with a renewed burden for his own locality.



Some of the comments from team members were.

*'The experience was great'. 'It was a blessing to all of us'.
'It was good to be able to engage with people and to be a link in the chain that was pointing them to God'.
'I saw at first hand the challenge of being part of a small fellowship where all the members were involved'.*

'It was such a refreshing experience...I was inspired by the church'.

IT HAS BEEN ENCOURAGING to hear of follow-up contacts and of some folk coming along to church.

One young man at a youth meeting said *'I have been really touched by what you said tonight'* and he recommitted his life to the Lord.

When asked the question are you good enough to go to heaven one man replied that he would *'probably get into heaven'* giving himself a 6 out of 10! Another responded *'I'm a good person, I'll get to heaven, I have my own way of getting there.'*



OUR THANKS to Pastors Fyffe (Castlederg), Gillespie (Grove), Patterson (Carryduff) and Watson (Cavan) for their willingness to have a team and to the members and friends of the churches who provided hospitality and worked alongside the students.

CONTINUE TO PRAY for those contacted.