



# 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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At the end of July, we had a very good revival conference with Brother Jones. The Lord used the Word of God in a direct way in many folk's lives. It was just what we all needed. Brother Jones has been a tremendous blessing and a great friend to us and the ministry. He has a heart for Ireland and a heart to encourage the missionaries here in Ireland.

The kids started school in September with Kaleb entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade, Kari going into her senior year, Kaley working on college courses for teaching special needs kids, and Karissa continues her course work in music and is teaching harp and piano lessons. Everyone is busy. In the middle of September Lisa had to go to Switzerland for the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of her jaw surgery which involved a major sinus lift on both sides and some serious bone grafting to the upper jaws. The prep work that she had to do prior to the surgery was well done. The surgery went very well. Lisa then had to have some follow up treatments over the next 8-9 days followed by rest. She is coming along quite well. We are thankful that she by God's grace did not have any major swelling or bruising to her face. Lord willing the final finish up work will take place sometime in the spring.

On the ministry front we have had new man coming to visit the services. He needs to be saved. Also, the Lord has brought us a couple different folks who struggle with some serious problems in their lives. Issues such as discouragement, depression and suicidal tendencies are some of the major burdens that we have been trying to help folks with recently. One of our ladies experienced the loss of her mom to cancer. This has been very hard for her. Lisa and I have put a lot of time and effort into the lives of the people God has given us to work with. Pray that God would help us to be effective for His glory. Our church attendance has been rather good, and we did not have a big loss during the summer months.

We are currently working on our Christmas Gospel gift packets. Our tract design is nearly finished, Lisa's sister and nephew are here helping with making the ornaments and some other projects and then we simply put the packets together. We also received word that two crates of Bibles personalized for Waterford Ireland along with our contact details are in Dublin port clearing customs and will then be delivered to us. Pray with us for these outreach tools to reach the lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Pray as well with us for Lisa's continued healing and that the Lord would give us wisdom, health and strength in the work of the ministry which He has given us here. Thank you for your faithful prayer and support for our family. A special thank you to Faith Baptist Church in Avon Indiana for providing funds for some audio/visual equipment for our church.

“For we are labourers together with God...” I Corinthians 3:9

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