



Dear Ministry Friends,

Here is just one of the many stories of what Jesus is doing around the world with young people -- **please read and pray!**

OUR MISSION: Developing national movements that are **introducing adolescents to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith.**

Our agreed upon divisional values: Adolescents

around the world will have the opportunity to meet Jesus Christ and follow Him. To do this, we:

- Go where young people are
- Build unconditional relationships of trust and love
- Communicate Jesus Christ in ways they understand

Under this great mission we have six priority goals for 2010. **For New Ministry growth, our goal states: "Work a Strategic Plan to open four new countries, 40 new ministries, and have 10% more kids contacted and prayed for by May 2010."** Toward that end we have some remarkable people and families with whom I am humbled to work undertaking initiatives in countries around the globe.

One such unique family is Rick and Jacki Spriggs and their three children. Rick hired several senior staff to take over his successful logistics company in Chicago and moved his family to Maynooth, Ireland, to begin Young Life in both the Republic and Northern Ireland just a year ago. In those two countries with great spiritual heritage and challenge, Rick and his team have begun to build what is becoming the talk of Ireland. Pastors, parents, and even parliamentarians from both nations have gotten involved in the early efforts there. Following is a brief update from Rick describing the start of their club earlier this year. Since his report was written the club has grown to over 50 young people weekly!



We started out in February having club with eight teenagers ranging from 13-17, and we were excited. The volunteer leaders that have stepped up to serve with us are great with kids. Thanks to word of mouth at the local school, word is spreading that Young Life is here and each club continues to grow with new kids showing up to see what this is all about. At the last club we had 39 kids participating in crazy games and skits and hearing about the person of Jesus Christ. We have "family time" where the kids are sharing in small groups. We are amazed at how open they are. They just want to be heard.



A year ago we had many parents openly tell us this isn't for their teenager. But through a series of tragic events, doors are opening up to us that were bolted closed before. In mid-December a 16 year old girl committed suicide at our local school. Over the last two weeks we have had four additional suicides, kids ranging from 12-16 in age. Our hearts break for these kids and the families that have lost a child so young and so tragically. But parents are coming to us now and asking for help. We just want to be available to them and their teenagers.

Please pray for Maynooth and the youth here that they will begin to hear and understand this Jesus that gives them hope worth living for. Ephesians 3:20 has become so true for us these past few months, because God has shown us that He can accomplish infinitely more than we would ever dare to ask or hope. It's just been incredible what He has done.

Prayer Requests:

- Club and reaching local kids on Friday evenings
- WyldLife began late May (10-12 year olds)

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- *Camp – praying for 25 Irish kids to sign up (August 19-24)*
- *Financial needs*
- *Potential areas to begin YL in 2010*

I am grateful for your partnership and prayer as we share the Good News of Jesus around the world. Please continue to walk with us in this effort through your prayers and giving.



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