



Our family recently celebrated our 9th anniversary of serving the Lord in Ireland. We arrived March 8, 2016.

The Staleys

Serving in the Republic of Ireland

Dear pastors/supporting churches,

Our family was filled with anticipation and excitement when we boarded a plane on the evening of March 7th, 2016. After all, our family was leaving the USA for our new home in Mallow, Ireland.

What an adventure the last 9 years in Ireland have been! Some of the highlights have included learning to drive on the wrong side of the road, having another baby here (Nathan) and becoming Irish citizens. Technically, our journey to Ireland started in the spring of 2013 when we hit the deputation trail, so some of you have been supporting us through your prayers and giving for 12 years!

As we reflect on all that God has done, we're filled with gratitude for His faithfulness. Through times of blessing and through times of testing, the Lord has sustained our family. The church in Mallow is growing, to God be the glory, and we're proud to be a part of the beautiful family that we love so much. We're humbled and thankful for all that God has done in our lives and in the lives of those around us. We can't thank you enough for investing in us and the ministry in Ireland.

Earlier this month, we flew back to the States for a short furlough. It's never easy to leave the people in Ireland that we love so dearly, yet it's also good to reconnect with our family and friends. We're also looking forward to sharing with churches all that the Lord is doing in Ireland. We would appreciate your prayers for safe travels, for the Lord to bless in our meetings and for our family to be refreshed.

Meanwhile, the ministry in Ireland continues to thrive under the direction of our teammates, John and Emily Slater. Roughly 140 people packed the church for a recent baby dedication service. Many of those who attended were relatives and friends of the family dedicating their child to the Lord and had never been to a service at MBF. It was an excellent opportunity to share the Gospel; we're rejoicing in all that the Lord accomplished.

Before leaving for furlough, Doug had the chance to speak with 2 adults in our church about baptism. Both were sprinkled as children, but have never been immersed. Now, both of them understand the need to be baptised Scripturally, and we're looking forward to having a baptismal service in the near future.

In our last prayer letter, we mentioned the need to raise roughly \$20,000 to help with the operation of our upcoming teen summer camp. We thank the Lord for several gifts that have been given for the camp, helping us get closer to our goal. Please pray for God to supply the remainder of the needed funds.

In His service,
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