

A Brief History of the Bible Baptist Church of Ballincollig

The Bible Baptist Church of Ballincollig is a group of born again Christians who love the Lord Jesus, and gladly gather together every Sunday, and every Wednesday evening in the **Westgate Foundation**, on the Main Road in Ballincollig, Cork.

In every meeting we worship and honour the Lord Jesus Christ; study the Bible, fellowship together as hungry people, and encourage each other as we seek to follow God's commands! You will find no rituals here - only the powerful words of our Lord directed right at our hearts! We care about people personally knowing the only God who "**loved us, and gave Himself for us!**" The Gospel is the greatest love story ever told!

Where we began

The church was started in June of 1994 in Blarney in the old **T.A. Hall** on Station Road. Two people came out along with Pastor Craig Ledbetter and his family to hear the word of God preached. From that day, the meetings grew in visitors, and people got serious about following the life of Jesus Christ! Since that time the Church has grown, and now numbers about **120** every Sunday morning.

In 2004, the Bible Baptist Church moved to meeting in the **Westgate Foundation** facilities, located on the West End of Ballincollig.



What we do

Along with a vetted and fun Creche, we have Bible teaching classes for children, teens, and adults. We run an Addictions programme called **Twelve Weeks to Freedom** that meets Friday evenings in Innishmore. As a Church, we meet Sundays in the Westgate Foundation building. Our Church Offices and Activity Centre are located in the Enterprise Business Park in Innishmore.

Every Summer is filled with **Children's Summer Bible Clubs**, a huge **Youth Camp** for young people up to 18 years old, and an exciting Teen event called **Target the Heart**. Our church also hosts a nation-wide **Men's Spiritual Retreat**.

The **Cork Bible Institute** was started in 1999, with the purpose of training people to lead and serve in Gospel ministries.

On Wednesday evenings, we quietly focus on praying together as a church, then have an **Open Bible Study** on a Book of the Bible, working through it verse by verse. We currently are learning the Book of Psalms.

Why we do it all

The Gospel is not about religious duties – we all fail at those! It is about people discovering a new spiritual life in the Person of Jesus Christ, and THEN living better by the Bible as it is in fact, the perfect and powerful words of God that can save any soul, and can and fix all of our problems – from the inside out. We really believe this - we have all experienced it, by faith – and so can you!

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Home of the Ballincollig Children's Summer Bible Club, Teen Target the Heart, and Victory Youth Camps
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