

Introducing Pastor Craig Ledbetter and His Family



Craig Ledbetter grew up in Texas, in the United States. Even though he grew up in what is considered a “good” home, his heart was definitely empty, and during his teenage years started searching for fulfilment in many sciences and personal experiences. During his secondary school years, he developed a keen interest in photography, computer programming, and astronomy. But there was an emptiness in his heart.

At the age of 17, he was challenged by a Bible-believing Christian to go to a Baptist church where Christians simply believed and lived by the Bible. It took 8 weeks of the Bible being clearly preached to get through to him that he was the lost sinner that Jesus died for 2,000 years ago. So, on June 15th, 1980, Craig Ledbetter knelt in prayer at the side of a friend’s kitchen table, and believed in the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross as the full payment for his sin! He cried out to God in the only prayer that matters, for Jesus Christ to save him from his sins and to make him a child of God! Since that day, Christ has been his life, and his wonderful Lord and Friend!

Craig completed four years of Biblical training at the Baptist Bible College, of Springfield, Missouri, obtaining a graduate degree in theology (Th.G.), and a Bachelor Arts degree in Theology (B.A.). During his years at College, Craig met his wife, Nita, and they were married in May of 1985. Craig and his new wife then moved to New Jersey on the east coast of America, where he began six and a half years of practical experience as an associate pastor, preaching and teaching the word of God in so many ways! It was also in New Jersey, that Craig worked full-time for 6½ years for a major telephone company, called AT&T Bell Laboratories.

Craig and his growing family then moved to Ireland in January of 1994, and began the **Bible Baptist Church of Blarney**, Co. Cork. For ten years he went throughout the North-side of Cork city from house to house and introduced people to the Gospel as found in the Bible, and watched as dozens and dozens of people repented of their sins and their religious efforts, and turned to believe only Jesus Christ for their forgiveness! The growing congregation moved to **the Westgate Foundation in Ballincollig** in 2004.

In 1997, Craig began the **Bible Baptist Church of Mallow**, Co. Cork, where he preached and taught God’s word to local Mallow people who came to faithfully grow in God’s grace, and truth!

He preaches two times each Sunday at the Bible Baptist Church of Ballincollig, presides over a third level **Bible Institute** called the **Cork Bible Institute**, conducts many various Spiritual Retreats, Bible Clubs, and week-long Youth Camps around the Cork area. He also has spoken at UCC and CIT concerning the Creation and Evolution debate, and still enjoys photography, computer programming and astronomy.

Pastor Craig and his wife Nita have five beautiful children: Sharon, Joel, Ruth, Joshua, and Sarah, and seven amazing grandchildren!

Please feel free to contact pastor Craig for any spiritual needs, for prayer, or for a Bible Study in your home! He can be reached at **087-276-6764**, or Email at **biblebc@gmail.com**

Bible Baptist Church of Ballincollig

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