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Dear saints in the Protestant Reformed Churches,

I have just returned from two days in Wales. On Tuesday 6th May, I spoke in Blaenau Gwent Baptist Church in Abertillery, South Wales. You may remember that in my last newsletter I mentioned two young men from there, David and Chris Hutchings. The church in question is not their church. The church is a vacant congregation and in need of speakers for their monthly Men's Fellowship evenings. David suggested I might speak, and I was pleased to do so. I spoke on "What Is Freewill?" My speech was a simple explanation of what we believe (and do not believe) on the subject of freewill, that man does have a will, but that it is not "free" but bound to sin. There is much confusion (and misinformation) about Calvinism. There were about 22 people there. The lecture was (surprisingly) well received. Many professed to be Calvinists. They seem interested in inviting me to speak to them again. The following evening, I spoke at our usual venue in South Wales, the Round Chapel, Port Talbot on the subject, "The Perfections of Holy Scripture." The attendance was lower (only two people). Perhaps Wednesday is not a good time to meet, since many churches have "midweek" meetings. I also spoke in Port Talbot on 15th April on "The Christian as Prophet, Priest, and King" (8 people).

Rev. Stewart and Mary have just returned from Australia/Singapore (more on that in the CPRC bimonthly letter—we mustn't mow one another's grass!), and while they were away Rev. and Mrs denHartog came to Ireland. Since Rev. denHartog

was my internship mentor at Southwest PRC, I invited him for one of the Sundays to come to Limerick. We spent some wonderful days together (Thursday-Saturday, and Monday), and he and his wife enjoyed meeting the LRF (visited the Kuhs, Wattersons,



Rev. & Mrs. denHartog with the Mansonas

and Mansonas; the Mansonas enjoyed hearing stories about the Philippines and Singapore) and seeing some sights around Limerick (King John's Castle and Curragh Chase



Rev. & Mrs. denHartog at Curragh Chase Forest Park

Forest Park). Rev. also gave a speech on "Living in Perilous Times" (28 April), with thirteen in attendance. His ministry was very much appreciated by the saints here.

Visitors are always a highlight for our little group.

We began family visitation recently for the third year in a row in Limerick. The text is I John 2:15-17, on which I preached on 16th March ("Stop Loving the World"). So far it has been going well, although it is difficult to get everyone's schedule to work. We are a small but busy group! On 30th March, I finished the series on Micah (17 sermons) and on 6th April, I began a series on The Seven Sayings of Christ from the Cross. Our class with the Mansonas (Canons of Dordt) is going very well. Soon we will be starting Head V. All the audios of that class (which I taught earlier) are online. Recently I received a request to catechise 9 children ranging from 10-16 years old. If that works out, it is a very exciting prospect indeed. My usual catechism class (Chester and Dale Mansona) continues on Saturday mornings. This week we are on LD 17. We do not generally take a summer break. This week we also expect to finish our Bible study on Revelation that we began in October 2013. A new topic will then have to be chosen. It is wonderful to have a group hungry for the Word of God.

From 26th May to 19th June, I will be in Grand Rapids, MI to attend Synod (begins 10th June) and also to take some vacation time. Sadly, this year I will not be able to attend the Young People's Convention—it begins Monday 4th August, and the British Reformed Fellowship Conference ends on Saturday 2nd August. As much as I had desired to attend both, it really is not practical. It also would have been nice to experience California. I will have to settle for Scotland instead. Another year, perhaps.

May the Lord bless you richly,

In Christian love, Rev. Martyn McGeown