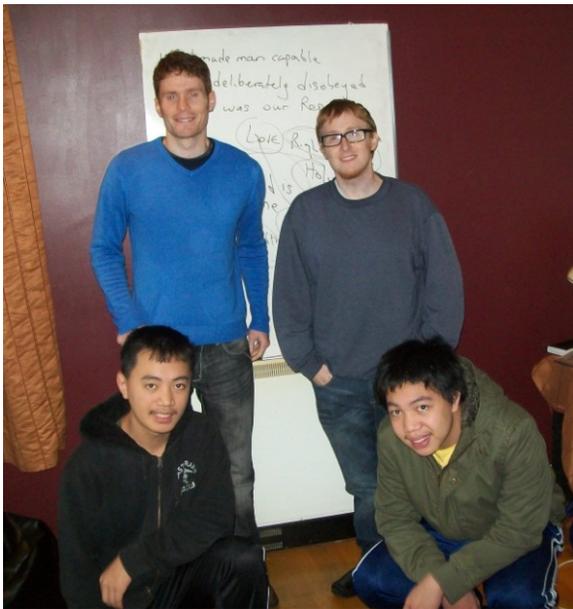


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Dear saints
in the Protestant Reformed Churches,

In the last months we have enjoyed the fellowship of several visitors. First, from January 17-21, David and Chris Hutchings,



Chris and David Hutchings with Chester and Dale after catechism

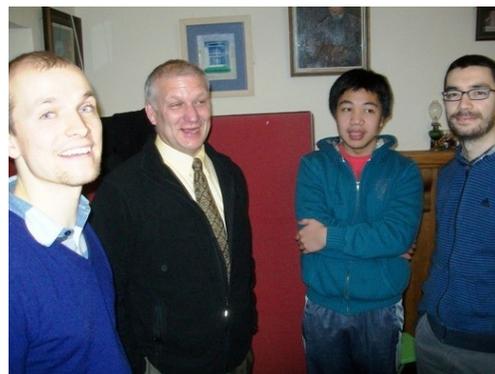
two young men from the South Wales group, visited Limerick. We had a very nice visit with Bill Davies, our oldest member



David and Chris receiving a book on Welsh church history from Bill Davies

(80 this year), who is a Welshman. He has many stories about his life in Wales, his conversion and church history. It is always wonderful to talk to the older saints. Shortly thereafter, on January 30, I gave a lecture in Wales on “The Signs of Christ’s Coming” (Matt. 24). The next day I drove up to Northern Ireland, so that I could attend the CPRC congregational dinner. The highlight of the dinner, apart from fellowship with God’s people, is always a table quiz. This year the questions were heavily weighted toward American history and US presidents. Despite having three Americans on our team, we came in second! Unsurprisingly, Rev. Stewart’s team came in first. The other reason I attended the congregational dinner was to give the church visitors, Rev. Eriks and Elder Sid Miedema, a lift to Limerick the next day. They were with us from February 1-4.

It is always the highlight of the year to have the church visitors come. We very much enjoyed the fellowship of the men. Rev. Eriks’ ministry among us was much appreciated: he preached twice on Sunday, February 2 (“Our Abounding Comfort” and “Not Peace but a Sword”); and on Monday, February 3, he gave an excellent lecture—



Fellowship after the “heaven” lecture

without notes because he discovered on reaching the hall that he had forgotten them!—on heaven from Revelation 21. On the Sunday, all of us were able to gather in the hall for a meal after the morning service.



The saints' fellowship meal

The saints did that last in July 2013 when other visitors from Michigan were here. Some would like to make such a fellowship meal at the hall a regular, even monthly, occurrence. On February 4, I brought Rev. and Sid to Dublin airport. I always find that their visit is too short.

On December 22, I finished my second time through the Heidelberg Catechism, and on January 19, I began the third series on the Catechism with a sermon on Hosea 4:6 (“Destroyed for Lack of Knowledge”). We see so many Christians and churches in Ireland destroyed because they are woefully ignorant of doctrine. How we must know—and love—the truth! The series on Micah is going well. I have preached ten sermons on the book so far and will treat Micah 5:4ff. this week. The Bible study is also going well. We began a study of Revelation in October and we have reached chapter 14. I am also very much enjoying the Heidelberg Catechism class with Chester and Dale Mansona, as well as the Canons of Dordt



Rev. McGeown teaching at the Mansonas' home

class with Alfonso and Salome Mansona. When the Hutchings were here, they were able to attend both classes also.

The greatest joy a minister or missionary can have is to see the people believing, receiving, and walking in the truth. That, by God's grace, is my experience here.

May the Lord bless you richly,

In Christian love,
Rev. Martyn McGeown