



## Wales, Ireland and Northern Ireland

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## Lord, send Revival!

As we entered Wales we could not help to ponder on the miracle of the Welsh revival that brought such change to this little corner of the world and spread so wide, touching and changing many lives.

Evan Roberts, after seeking hard after God for years crying for revival in Wales, received this message from the Lord:

1. You must confess any known sin and put any wrong done to man right again
2. You must put away any doubtful habit
3. You must obey the Spirit promptly
4. You must confess your faith publically

Similarly, we are crying out for fires of revival to be stirred up everywhere we go as we wait for the coming of Jesus Christ.

## The Journey - A Quick Recap

Our tour began in Cardiff, Wales, just days before Hurricane Ophelia. Amidst the gale force winds, we traveled from Cardiff to Haverford West. Our coming was not a moment too soon; the rain began to fall just as we arrived at the home of long-time friends Paul and Tessa Settatree. They hosted us while we went to minister in Milford Haven and Broad Haven. The Settatree's have known Pastor John and the ministry since Vinesong first arrived in England over 30 years ago from South Africa. They were delighted to welcome us for our stay in Haverford West at, Secret Waters.



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As we made our way to the ferry, we were told all the other ferries except ours were cancelled for Storm Brian. It was a miracle, as we needed to be in Ireland the next day for our first meeting. Thanking God, we experienced an unnatural stillness over the Irish sea as we crossed.





We quickly covered ground in Ireland as we ministered in Newbridge, Cork, Clane, Waterford and Limerick. After 10 days in the south, we made our way north to Belfast where we had another packed week of ministry before finally heading home to England for 6 days to prepare for Nigeria.

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## The Ministry

### Cardiff

Our first time of ministry was with our long time friends at RCCG Garden of the Lord parish in Cardiff. We entered into a deep time of worship and ministry. It is always such a blessing to see the faithfulness of God's servants who toil and work the land. In a city where there are many students coming and going, the Pastors, themselves academics working at one of the Universities in Cardiff, hope that somehow they can make an impression on these young people's lives before they move on to fulfill their destinies.

### Milford Haven

At Cleddau Apostolic Community in Milford Haven, we spent quality time with Pastor Roy and his wife Vanessa, before the meeting. They told us, due a very strong religious stronghold, how difficult it has been to get churches to work together. That night, we worshipped and declared the greatness of God over that area and felt such a release as we started singing 'Our God Reigns'

The next day, we ministered at the Settatree's home church, Broad Haven Baptist, where people from multiple churches in the area gathered for a night of praise and worship. *(Have a read under the heading 'testimonies' for a more in-depth account of what happened that night)*



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## Ireland

From a country where revival is at the heart of its history to Ireland where there has never been a recorded spiritual awakening. We prepared our spirits to cry out to God to bring Ireland out of religious bondage that has lasted many hundreds of years. In Newbridge, our first stop, Pastor Olayinka, of RCCG Desire of All Nations parish organised an evening 'love concert for the community' in an effort to reach the town for Jesus, at the local Town Hall.



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They have experienced a great harvest among the Czech immigrants who have given their lives to Christ over the last few months. It was a joy to see their fervency for God and we were able to minister a few songs in Czech and have them join in and worship in their own language.

## Cork



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That same night we drove 130 miles to Cork, where we ministered the following morning at RCCG Inspiration House. Pastor Paul and our hosts so kindly stayed up late past midnight just to receive us.

Pastor Paul leads his church from a singular vision - to see people saved, healed and set free through the gospel. He had admitted that he would rather die than to do anything else but see souls saved, and his church is a shining reflection of that vision.

## Clane

Next on our schedule was Clane, where we would minister with Pastor David Samuel of RCCG Fountain of Love. There was a tangible presence of the Holy Spirit as we ministered in their parish.



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Three thousand people watched online during a live broadcast. We were told that many people who watched were crying and experienced a very deep touch from the Holy Spirit through out the night. Praise the Lord!

## Waterford



From Clane we went to Waterford, where the team worked together with Pastor Nathaniel and the choirs from RCCG Oasis Arena and Christ Church Cathedral to host what turned out to be an extremely powerful night of ministry.



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That night, 22 people gave their lives to Christ. After the concert, many came for prayer and counsel from Pastor John and Pastor Nathaniel.

The Methodist minister was so blessed by the worship that he commented at the end of the evening he is sure such an event has never taken place in the cathedral before.

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We travelled on to Limerick, where we met Pastor Alexander at RCCG His Glory Parish. Pastor Alexander has a tremendous vision for this church, and longs to see souls saved and won for Christ.

We were pleased to have met with a wonderful ministry called Simple Faith with a very similar vision who joined Vinesong for a weekend of praise and worship.



Pastor John taught on Narcissism as one of the major preventers of growth and a leading problem in the church today.

Pastor Alexander was so appreciative of this teaching and later confirmed what we initially saw was a huge breakthrough spiritually in the church. We look forward to going back and seeing what God will do in Ireland.

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## Northern Ireland

Crossing over into Northern Ireland, we ministered at several churches in and around Belfast.



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We had not been to Northern Ireland for seven years and we were encouraged to meet many people who felt so blessed to come to our ministry as they were touched so deeply by the worship and the Word the last time we were there.



Our final ministry was a Sunday night meeting at The People's Church, where we had ministered at the church's inception 7 years ago.



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Now with several hundred congregants and a renovated factory building, The People's Church is one of the biggest churches in the Belfast area and sees prayer as the driving force behind any church and we could see the fruit of this during our ministry there.



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We thank God for His constant provision throughout our mission, and are grateful to have seen so many lives touched and changed. We look forward to hearing more about what the Lord is doing throughout Wales, Ireland and Northern Ireland.

## TESTIMONIES

### Cleddau Apostolic Community

John James, who has known Vinesong for many years heard that we were going to be in town and attended this first meeting. He was so blessed by the ministry and recounted a story of how John had prayed for him over 20 years ago. He said that this had been the beginning of a new relationship with God and the Holy Spirit. He recounted how uplifted he was by the evening. Below is an excerpt of his email to us later in the week:

“Hello Vinesong,

I just want to say Thank you, Thank you, for coming to Wales to Minister your precious gifts of worship and to have received a special word from the Lord.

I am John, and am sure you remember me from Broad haven, and Milford Haven evenings of Ministry. I have felt so elevated in my spirit since being under your beautiful Ministry. I shall pray that the LORD will continue to Bless and empower you by his precious Holy Spirit.”



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## Broad Haven

Wilfred a small 6-year-old boy sat, captivated, at the front of the church during the ministry. He told his parents later that he loved the meeting. It was such a blessing to see such a young boy with such a heart and hunger for God. Paul and Tessa's son, John was of a similar age when he gave his life to Jesus at a Vinesong meeting. He is now the National Coordinator of Scripture Union in Wales. We look forward to hearing what the Lord does in the life of young Wilfred.

Many people in the church were suffering from serious illness.

We were told of one lady in particular who had just had a brain tumour removed. We did not have the chance to meet her before the meeting, however; during one song in the concert, Charlene was led to her by the Spirit and sang over her, despite not knowing that this was the very lady that we had been told about.

After many years of ministry in Haverford West and the surrounding area, it was such a blessing to us that so many people came from so many different churches.



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## Cork

We thank God for five very broken and disillusioned people who stood for salvation. As our time of ministry came to an end all five stood crying whilst experiencing such restoration and healing. It was a joy to witness the moving of the Holy Spirit. One of the young men had been invited to church by a couple called Collette and Anthony Wolfe who came to Christ after the suicide of their daughter Leanne who was only 18 years old. They now run an event called 'A Night of Hope' that this young man had attended. It was his first time in a church and we pray for a lasting change in Jesus name.

Freda, who was one of the ladies who came forward for prayer wrote this very encouraging letter:

“Hi this Freda from the Cork church. I just love the CD that I got when you were here two weeks ago. I am playing it continually because it is helping so much in my everyday walk from day to day with God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. I love you all so much and I am very grateful the Father sent you into my life. May he shower you all with many graces in Jesus name we pray.”



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## And Finally.....

Overall, our team is so encouraged to see how consistent and real the Lord is in every situation, taking us as His vessels to reach people one by one. His grace carries us and His joy overflows as He sees us being faithful to what He has called us to. We give God ALL the glory for every minute and every miracle during our tour. May God himself continue to be with the people of Wales, Ireland and Northern Ireland, showering them with every blessing in the Spirit. Jesus is coming soon and the time is so ripe to see His church united, worshiping Him in spirit and in truth.

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