



Ireland - Co Mayo

Greetings from here in the beautiful wild west of Ireland! Just right next door to most of you there is a mission field crying out for workers – a mission field where the local lingo is something close to English and they eat fish and chips! In Co Mayo there is no shortage of opportunities for everyone with a heart to serve the Lord.

These days we are desperately looking from some pastor/teachers with a passion for church planting as there are so many towns without any Gospel witness. What we really need are some good men (ably supported by some good women!) who feel that they could rise to the challenge of being used by the Lord to build his church and defy the powers of hell in some very needy areas.

In particular we presently have our sights set on the town of Ballina in north Mayo and Claremorris, where we have an ongoing weekly Bible study, in East Mayo. However, there are various other locations which are barren of gospel witness.

Given the state of play here it will come as no surprise if I say that evangelists would be invaluable. What we desire is people with a passion to get the Gospel out and who could work alongside the pastor/teacher. In regards to what such a person would do – the sky is the limit as we encourage creativity. Some of the things that are presently being done are door to door work, children's clubs, one to one Bible studies, special interest meetings and school's ministry.

If I could mention one last possibility it would be for a part time secretary for *Calvary Mission*, the mission to which we are seconded, as admin does tend to pile up. See you in Castlebar and bring an umbrella!



UK Urban

Some of the most unreached people are right under our noses! Ethnic minorities, especially British Asians from Pakistan and Bangladesh, are largely ignored by UK churches yet the Sovereign Lord has placed them here for a purpose.

The logistical and language issues involved in reaching British Asians are minimal compared to overseas mission, but the cultural divide and the need to step outside the Christian comfort zone are just as real as anywhere in the world. The opportunities are immense but so, frankly, are the obstacles. They tend to be people well groomed in answering Christians and they have no difficulty in brushing off our so called "corrupted religion".

If you are easily discouraged this is not for you. But if you firmly believe that the "all nations" of Matthew 28:19 must include British Asians, will you rise to the challenge of this hard to reach people? Front-line evangelism and indirect work such as teaching are all possible. Training and support will of course be given and there are many opportunities right now in most parts of the UK.

Our missionaries amongst UK ethnic minorities work from local churches which share their vision to reach people for Christ. The fellowship and prayers of a local church are vital to sustaining the work. We are always glad to hear from churches which have a concern to reach out to ethnic minorities in their area. We will be happy to help you in any way we can. This might include locating a missionary with you or providing training to your church members.

