



Ladies Tea for Moms and Daughters Sees Large Numbers

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The men of the church worked hard to make sure the ladies of three churches received a blessing at the annual Ladies Tea. The four ladies from the Barry work came to the church in Cardiff and was joined by 5 ladies from Tom and Pattie Wheeler's church in nearby Newport. The Hall at Cornwall Street was full to the brim and Pam and Jaime worked so hard to make sure the ladies received a grand program and meal. When we think we began working with just 6 ladies attending the church on a good Sunday and to have over 50 ladies attend the Tea, all we can say is Praise the Lord. Several unsaved ladies heard the Gospel and we pray it will set in their hearts and fruit will come forth.



We had the largest group of ladies but the lowest number of men serving. We had to enlist my grandson, Alex, who is 14, to help us serve. Some of the men had to work, some had to babysit so their wives could come and others were out of town. Please pray for the young people of our church, they worked so hard at the Spring Fayre to earn money to go to camp and we are taking 27 to the BBF-GB Camp on 24-28 July, and there is over 150 going, with over 20 lost kids attending that we know of. Pray for souls to be saved.

The Hardest Decision We Have Ever Had to Make in almost 30 Years of Ministry



The two pictures, one to the left and one below is of the crowd last Sunday Evening. We have seen this struggling church of 6 grow into a church that is making a difference in our community here in Cardiff. The Lord has blessed beyond our dreams for this church. Yes, we have had our struggles to pay the bills, to keep the inside of the church dry and to paint it inside and out several times. Keeping the building dry as the sand they used in old buildings had salt from the sea in it making the walls weep at times. However, nothing we have

done has shocked them as much as when a couple of weeks ago we told them we were going to need to retire this year.

My health has been failing me. As someone has said, "**Old age is not for Sissies,**" and as I am turning 67 this year I have to agree. My back and my hands are the problem. My back with two discs that are bulging are causing severe pain if I stand for a period of time, even to the point of preaching for 35 minutes means time flat on my back to get out of pain. At the Ladies Meeting above, just working on my feet for three hours meant 4 hours flat on my back to even get close to recovering enough so I could stand again. I have developed "Intention Tremors" in my hands which means reading my Bible in front of a crowd is impossible. My Dad demanded that I always put my hand out in front of me to say I earned my paycheck, give it to me....don't ever put your hand behind your back to get a paycheck because you didn't earn it. Pam and I feel that we are not able to continue the pace of working in two churches in a team ministry. God has provided people to help with the work at Barry, so we have peace that this is God's timing and God's plan. We will give an update in our August Prayer letter of further developments. Please pray for my health and us as we make difficult decisions about our future.



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