

Eileen's Testimony

I grew up in the north side of Cork City. I always had a great relationship with my granddad. He was one of the first people I knew that had a love for Jesus. It was unlike any other love that I'd seen before. My granddad died on the 16th of January, 1999. His death was a great loss to me.

I was nineteen years old when I began to experiment with the night life, parties, and alcohol. I was seeking the "high," and the confidence that seemed to go with it, but I kept experiencing hurt and emptiness.

At the age of twenty-two, after getting hurt, I realised that I had had enough of this painful, dark life; and I began to pray to Jesus to help me. I had gone through nine months of a very hard pregnancy, with only my family to help me out. During that time, my mum, Lily, and Brother Weston, asked me to come to church with them. I didn't go at that time because I thought I would be meeting a judgmental type of people.

But then, in April of 2002, after the birth of my beautiful daughter Lydia, I began to attend church — where I was greeted with love and respect. Each week in that church (Blarney Baptist Church) I heard the Word of God preached. As I listened, I realised that Jesus loves me, and that He died for my sins. One Sunday morning on the 23rd of June, during the Lord's Supper, with the fear of God, I accepted Jesus Christ as my Saviour. Not only was I saved from hell, but Jesus Christ also healed me from all past hurts.

Since that wonderful day, my life has changed. I have gained a new appreciation of life. The Lord has blessed me with a wonderful husband named Kevin, who has helped me to keep strong in the Lord. We got married on the 3rd of September, 2003; and we now have three blessed girls — Lydia, Rebekah, and, Rachel.

The Lord has now called us as a family to do His work. He has blessed Kevin greatly with the knowledge of His Word. He teaches his family to keep strong in Christ. We now devote our lives to helping others come to know Christ as their own personal Saviour.

1 John 4:19—“We love him, because he first loved us.” Amen.

