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The United Appeal for Mission is at the very heart of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. As a Church we are making big differences here in Ireland and all over the world.

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"I would like to thank those who donate money to United Appeal – when you're putting in a little envelope, you're doing something massive – it has a tremendous impact on what we're doing in this church and also for other churches around Ireland. We want to see this trickle become a river flowing down here of God's growth and God's grace."

Rev. Nathan Duddy
Minister Arklow Presbyterian Church,
Co. Wicklow

Thanks to your generosity, the United Appeal for Mission is able to support hundreds of mission projects and programmes at home and overseas.



2017 Appeal to congregations: £3,460,000/€ 3,943,400

To find out more watch the video at...
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United Appeal for Mission Sunday
Spring 2018

Building *everyday disciples*



Every aspect of our Church's mission depends to some extent on United Appeal. Hundreds of projects and programmes at home and overseas are helping to advance God's kingdom, showing God's love in action to hundreds of thousands of people.

Thanks to the generous support that Presbyterians like you continue to offer, this work can flourish.



Sharing stories of our Church's mission...

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Investing for the long haul

Philip Whelton has been an Irish mission worker in Arklow Presbyterian Church, Co. Wicklow for 22 years.

As part of his role, Philip is involved in running kids' clubs throughout the year; a weekly community Bible study; a parents' and toddlers' group called the Coffee Dock; and a holiday Bible club every summer.

His work with children and young people has been a key focus for Philip. He says, "I'm just as passionate about it today as when I started. Every young person is different and each one has a story. We want the children to know that Jesus loves them, and that they belong – no matter what their background or circumstances may be like."

Minister of Arklow, Rev. Nathan Duddy is full of praise for Philip and the work he does. "When people talk about Arklow Presbyterian Church, Philip's name will come up. To have that link in the community that has been built up over 20 years is fantastic for our church."

Irish mission workers work as evangelists alongside ministers and congregations across Ireland. The work is fully supported by the United Appeal for Mission.



"We couldn't do what we're doing without United Appeal. Like many congregations in the South of Ireland, we're a small church – with the partnership of PCI we can do lots more for God's kingdom."

Philip Whelton
Irish mission worker
Arklow



Short films featuring the work of Philip Whelton, and Ruth Bromley and My Place can be viewed here: www.presbyterianireland.org/unitedappeal

Exploring inclusive children's ministry

Children's ministry is of vital importance within our denomination because statistics show that most Christians come to faith before the age of 14.

Ruth Bromley is PCI's Children's Development Officer and runs events throughout the year to bless our covenant children. One such event is 'My Place', which explores how to include children with special needs in the life and ministry of our congregations.

Designed for local PCI ministers, elders, children's workers, parents and church members, 'My Place' considers the biblical teaching behind the mandate to be more inclusive; the personal experiences of parents of children with special needs; and the wisdom of experts in the field of special education, as well as providing space to discuss ideas and ask questions.

Ruth says, "My Place is only possible to run because of the generosity of PCI congregations all across Ireland. Events like this help us to understand inclusive children's ministry better, so we can be people and places of welcome for all."

By supporting the United Appeal for Mission, individuals all across Ireland can play their part in introducing children to the Christian faith.



"One of the most helpful things for parents of children with special needs to know is that their church family is asking questions about the best way to accommodate covenant children such as Rose... as a denomination we're so much stronger when we can tackle these things together."

Rev. Stephen Lowry
Moderator's Assistant,
First Holywood Presbyterian
Church, whose daughter
Rose has special needs.

Other
PCI children's
training and
events
include...

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Big Day
Out

Little Day Out

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Ministry
Certificate
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