

**Saintfield Searchers**

# *Children's Bible Week*

***at the Big Tent!***

**Tues 3rd to Fri 6th May**

*(first week of Mission)*

**Time: 6.15pm – 7.30pm**

**Family Event on Saturday**

**7th May @ 3.00pm**

*(Parents invited)*

**Guest Speakers:  
Andy & Ruth Lovell**

*All primary school children welcome  
to join us for Story Time, Quizzes,  
Memory Verses, Games and Fun*

**Special Youth BBQ  
& Fun Night**

**Saturday 7th May  
@ 7.00pm**

*All teenagers/young  
people welcome*



John 3 16-17 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.'

Please see the church website  
for details of weekly meetings.

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**Saintfield Baptist  
Church**

***invites you to our***

# *Gospel Tent Mission 2016*

**Belfast Road, Saintfield  
(opposite Saintfield  
High School)**

**1st - 15th May**

**Guest Evangelists:**

**Pastor Ian Wilson &  
Pastor George McConnell**

**You are warmly invited to  
come along to our Gospel  
Tent Mission in Saintfield**

## **Dates of Mission:**

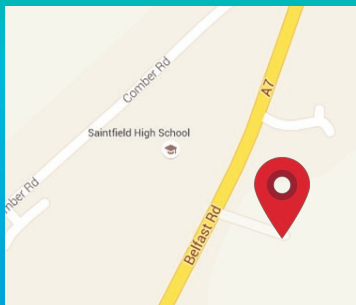
**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> –  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>  
May 2016**



## **Times of Meetings:**

**Weeknights @ 8.00pm &  
Sundays @ 7.00pm  
(No meetings on Saturdays)**

## **Location of Tent Mission:**



**Belfast  
Road,  
Saintfield  
(opposite  
Saintfield  
High School)**

**Special Singers will be  
taking part.**

***Please invite others to come  
along with you.***



## **Pastor Ian Wilson**

I am a native of Coagh in County Tyrone. I was saved by God's grace on 12th October 1986. I have Pastored a number of Churches including Saintfield Baptist from 2003 to 2012 and currently Rathfriland Baptist. I have been privileged to preach the Word of God in many other countries throughout the world including India, Zimbabwe, USA and Eastern Europe. My desire is that many would come to know the Saviour during our time of mission.

**Isaiah 55:6 *Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:***

We see two pleas, two promises and two problems in this verse of scripture. Plea number one is Seek ye the Lord. I am not sure what you are seeking for in life but all of us need to seek the Lord. Promise number one is He may be found. The good news of the Gospel is that the Lord may be found if you seek Him.

Plea number two is call ye upon Him. You can call upon Him and He has promised to save you. ***Who-soever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved*** Rom. 10 v 13. Promise number two is He is near: The Lord Jesus came into this world to save sinners — that means He is within reach of all of us.

You have two pleas, two promises but then we have two problems in this verse. The two problems are wrapped up in one word which appears twice in the verse the word is ***"while"***. You need to seek Him while He may be found, you need to call upon Him while He is near. This Gospel mission will give all, both young and old, another opportunity to hear the Gospel and respond by seeking and calling upon the Lord. The word ***"while"*** reminds us that this opportunity for you to call and seek may not always be available. That's why scripture tells us that now is the acceptable time that now is the day of salvation.

I am glad that on 12<sup>th</sup> October 1986 I sought the Lord, I called upon Him and He saved me.



## **Pastor George McConnell**

I was born and brought up in the County Tyrone border village of Aughnacloy; where I was sent to Sunday school and church each week. Throughout those youthful and teenage years, I really had

no interest whatsoever in spiritual things and certainly the Bible did not interest me in any way.

The order of our home was that we had to attend our place of worship each Sunday which was St. James Parish Church of Ireland, and I believed back then that going to church was enough to earn me God's approval that would allow me into Heaven. I lived for the things of the world such as the discos and the dances and really enjoyed those times, but as the Scriptures say, ***"The pleasures of sin are but for a season."***

I came to know the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 1985 when I was attending a youth mission in my home church. The preacher, Rev. Brendan McCarthy, preached from John 14:6, where the Lord himself says ***"I am the way, the truth and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."***

I knew that night that I was a sinner and that Christ died for me personally on the cross at Calvary for my sins, and that His blood was shed in order to purchase for me an Eternal Redemption. I came to Christ that night, just the way I was, and found in Christ real life; total freedom and peace that the world cannot give.

I am looking forward to coming to Saintfield, to preach the greatest message that there is, a message that offers life, hope and peace that can only be found in the Lord Jesus Christ. I trust that you will come along and hear the only life changing message that offers hope to a broken world and hope for broken lives.

May the Lord richly bless you!