

newsletter from the staff and students of the Irish Baptist College



October 2008

COMMENCEMENT SERVICE



On the 16th September, the day after lectures started, the college commencement service was held in Milltown Baptist. There was an excellent turn out to welcome new students and also those returning to study. Dr Ken Scott was officially recognised as Post-graduate tutor and gave a short report on the post-graduate programme. Continue to pray for Mano, an overseas student, who has been refused a visa, and is now appealing this decision.

(Pictured - some of the first year students)

STUDENT NUMBERS

While numbers are not everything it is good to see a healthy

College and University Undergraduate	35
Day Release & Occasional	5
Postgraduate (mostly part-time)	60
TOTAL	100
Evening Classes, Ladies' Study	
Fellowship & Women's Ministry Class	131
Distance Learning	8
FULL ENROLMENT	239

student intake across all the courses this year. The total student body is the largest it has been for some time. It was



(MA students -Sep 2008 intake - and teaching staff)

encouraging to see 20 enrolled for the newly launched Magherafelt evening class.

ACTIVITIES

The students have already organised a prayer breakfast and a barbeque. These were good opportunities for staff and students to meet (and pray) in a different format to the normal college routine.

EVANGELISM WEEK - 19-25 October

Teams will be joining with the Central Craigavon, Newry, Omagh and Sion Mills churches. **Pray** for the teams and the churches involved.

Thank you for praying

- For all the students who have come to us for the wide variety of courses on offer.
- For college finances.

Please continue to pray

- For students as they settle into study and deal with new challenges.
- For the financial needs of students.
- For the College Management Committee, who recently had their first meeting of the new academic year, as they give advice and direction.