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Bible Society Northern Ireland Newsletter

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Dear [REDACTED],

Recently I've been getting more into cold brew coffee, maybe not to everyone's taste, but it's a refreshing way to drink coffee on a hot day.

As the name suggests, there is no heat involved in the brewing process. It's simply ground coffee and water, left to steep for 12 or more hours, and served over ice. No shortcuts. No boiling water to speed things along. Just time, and patience, and the slow work of steeping.

The result is something smoother, richer, and less bitter than your average cup. The long steep draws out depths of flavour that a quick brew simply can't.

We live in a world that worships "heat" - the quick fix, the immediate answer, the 30-second video that gives instant gratification. And while God is gracious enough to meet us in those moments, I wonder if we're missing something by always rushing "the brew."

Psalm 46:10 doesn't say *glance up at God and carry on*. It says "**Be still, and know that I am God.**" Stillness. Sustained, unhurried stillness.

Colossians 3:16 calls us to let the word of Christ *dwell* in us - not pass through us, not visit briefly - but **dwell deeply**. Like coffee grounds fully surrendered to water, there's an invitation here to stop skimming the surface and to soak in it.

And Isaiah 40:31 reminds us that it is those who *wait* on the Lord who find their strength renewed. The waiting isn't wasted time. It's the process.

You don't heat cold brew coffee. You don't stir it impatiently. You simply leave it and trust that something good is happening in the quiet.

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What if that's the invitation this month. To steep a little longer. To sit in the presence of God without an agenda, without a timer, and let Him do the slow, deep work that only comes with time.

The richest cup takes the longest to make.

"Be still, and know that I am God."

Northern Ireland



Please pray for the ongoing work of Bible Society Northern Ireland at home. From travelling across the country to share in churches, to packing Bibles and writing birthday cards in Bible House, to all of the behind the scenes administration, we appreciate your prayers for it all.

What we're up to in June

- 1st** - Jan, our new team member, joins us!
- 4th** - Seizing the Moment with Andrew Ollerton ([tickets available](#))
- 7th** - St Clement's Church of Ireland
- 14th** - St Patrick's Church of Ireland, & Aughnacloy & Ballymagrane Presbyterian Churches
- 25th** - Down & Dromore Synod
- 27th** - NUA Festival, Newcastle
- 27th - 29th** - Summer Madness Seminars

[If you would like to invite a speaker to your church or group, please complete the enquiry form here.](#)

Bible-a-Month Partnership

Millions across the world have no access to the Bible.

Our vision is to see a world where all people can experience the transformational power of relationship with Jesus through engaging with the Bible. We want everyone to have the opportunity to access the Bible in an affordable and appropriate format.

From just £10 per month, your Bible-a-Month Partnership with Bible Society Northern Ireland will enable someone to have the copy of God's Word they long for.



Bible-a-Month Project Iran

Life in Iran is undeniably difficult, especially for Christians. For many, as with in other parts of the Middle East, following Jesus can cost everything.

In spite of the persecution, imprisonment, and martyrdom Christians here face, the Church in post-Islamic Revolution Iran is young, thriving, and growing!

Families may be fractured, and individuals might be scared, but God continues to move here, through visions, dreams, and miraculous encounters, calling people to faith and to share His Word.

The Iranian Bible Society in Diaspora (IBSD) is working with over 200 partners to distribute Scriptures, train leaders, and equip house church networks. Each year, they are distributing thousands of Scriptures, bringing light and life to believers facing the most difficult of circumstances.

Due to the nature of the work in Iran, there is only so much we can share about, but please know that your gift is helping to place Bibles into the

hands of people willing to give up everything to follow Jesus.

Your Bible-a-Month donation this month will provide Bibles for families following Jesus in these circumstances.

Pause and Pray

- Pray for safety of the many people involved with the ‘inside’ distribution of Scriptures.
- Pray for increased opportunity and openness to continue sharing the Bible, so that more lives can be transformed.
- Pray for wisdom and strength for IBSD’s leadership as they implement this vital project.



This project is our Bible-a-Month project for June. By becoming a Bible-a-Month partner you will help provide Scripture to people all over the world every month. You will receive a free calendar each year with information about this and 11 other Bible Society projects. Commit to giving just £10 a month and you will ensure that the Bible is shared across the world. [Sign up here.](#)

Save the Date - We're hitting the road!

A Night with Bible Society

Come, celebrate, and be inspired. Together, we can continue to make a difference through the work of Bible Societies both near and far.

All 7pm for 7:30pm start

Derry/Londonderry

Tuesday 22nd September



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Kilfennan Presbyterian Church

Enniskillen

Thursday 24th September
Fermanagh Christian Fellowship

Lisburn

Friday 25th September
T3 Centre at Vic Ryn, Lisburn



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