#### MORE LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR IDEAS ☐ Children can **colour a picture** for your teacher, and give it to them with a tract saying "Thank you for being my teacher!" ☐ Make a **craft** for your parents, or grandparents (if they don't come to church), and write on it "I love you!" and give them a Tract, and invite them to Church on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. ☐ Children can offer to **wash the ware** for a week for your parents or for whoever normally washes them (if they don't come to church) – make sure you give a Tract and invite to Church ☐ Send a small **care package** (with tea, cookies, crisps, etc) to a relative that is in College away from home and include the Tract □ Cook a meal for someone in your neighbourhood that you discover is having a hard time. ☐ Bake something for someone, and *just out of the blue* give it to them, along with the Tract. ☐ **Thank someone** you know who doesn't come to Church, for investing in your life (like your parents, a good friend, etc...). ☐ Leave or hand a **Thank You Card** with a Tract for the Postman, Milkman, Rubbish guys, the Garda, and Fire Brigade. $\square$ Ask someone if you can help them do whatever they are doing, and then give them a Tract. ☐ Offer to take your neighbour or friend's **dog for a walk** for them ☐ **Babysit** for free to a couple, or parent □ Volunteer to do **Tidy Town Clean Up** in your Estate ☐ Pay for someone's **lunch** at O'Crualaoi's, or Dino's, or Drumstix The following **Vouchers** are available for you to purchase to give away: ☐ Vouchers for a free coffee from Nosh+Coffee and BB's in Ballincollig ☐ Free Car Wash at the Applegreen Petrol Station ☐ What other ideas do you have?

If your offer of kindness is rejected, just go to another person!

### Bible Baptist Church, Ballincollig

Meeting in the Westgate Buildings, next to the Oriel House Hotel
Main Rd, Ballincollig, Cork

Sundays, 10.30am and 7pm Wednesdays 7pm (021) 4871234 www.biblebc.com biblebc@gmail.com

## **LOVE MY NEIGHBOUR**

"Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." Matthew 22:39

Love Your Neighbour Week April 22-27

**Love Your Neighbour Sunday**April 28<sup>th</sup>



#### WHAT IS IT TO TRULY LOVE OUR NEIGHBOUR?

In the Gospel of Matthew 22:39, Jesus told His audience, "*Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.*" What an amazing command.

We've set aside 8 days in April, 2013 to devote special effort as Christians to living out these instructions. We are calling it our "**Love My Neighbour Week!**" We will be introducing the Love My Neighbour concept on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> challenging our church family to powerfully and visibly show the love of God to those around us.

Love Your Neighbour Week will run from Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> through Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>! For eight days, every Christian associated with Bible Baptist Church will perform "*random acts of kindness*" in Jesus' name, to prove and demonstrate God's love to our co-workers, our neighbours, friends, and especially complete strangers.

Special leaflets are available to take away with you today! Gospel Tracts explaining WHY we are doing these random acts of kindness will be given away throughout the week, as we serve our community. Make sure you only give them out when you do something kind for someone!

The Bible tells us that "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." But some won't hear unless they SEE some compassion. As our acts of kindness demonstrate God's care and love through us, we will actually be encouraging people to hear more of God's Word.

Let's begin planning creative activities that our families can do together, or that we can do as individuals. And let's begin **praying** for those who will receive these acts of kindness, that the seeds of the Gospel will be planted in their hearts, and will bring forth much fruit.

During this special Week, you're not only going to be touching people's lives for eternity, you're going to have a great time doing it!

We will have a contest to see who does the most Random Acts of Kindness during the eight days! The top three will be well rewarded! To actually accomplish an effective Act of Kindness, you will need to:

1) Actually DO something listed in this brochure, 2) Tell the person WHY you are doing it for them, 3) Give them the Tract, and 4) Invite them to Church on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.

The final test of all our efforts will be measured by how many new people come out to Church on Sunday April the 28<sup>th</sup> to find out more about WHY our church is different than all the rest! Let's go make the difference!

# LOVE MY NEIGHBOUR IDEAS - Try any of these ideas so you can give someone a tract and invite them to Church!

	Deliver a <b>Thank You note</b> to the Fire Brigade, or the Garda Station.
	Take colouring books and a box of new crayons to a Doctor's office.
	Buy your co-worker a cup of tea or coffee, or a snack, or even lunch
	unexpectantly. Make sure you give them a tract.
	Take some <b>good magazines</b> to a Doctor's office with a tract.
	Take a case of <b>good bottled water</b> to a regional park where there are
	joggers and hand them out with a tract cello-taped to the bottle.
	Leave an extra big tip for the waiter/waitress (along with a tract).
	Buy some new stuffed animals and take them to the children's wing
	of the Hospital. Ring ahead of time to ask if they will accept them.
	Do <b>grass or hedge cutting</b> for someone for free.
_	know who are stuck at home. Go and talk with or just read to them.
Ш	<b>Do shopping</b> for older or infirm/sick people you personally know –
_	include a tract with the messages.
	Deliver a Free <b>New Testament</b> to every house around your home with
	a Tract (maybe just all on your street).
Ш	Take hot coffee to someone begging in Cork City on Friday or
П	Saturday evening with the Reformer's Unanimous Crew.
ш	Buy a <b>cup of coffee</b> for the person in line behind you at the coffee shap Hand them a yougher along with a Treat and smile!
П	shop. Hand them a voucher, along with a Tract and smile! Write a letter or send a package to an Irish soldier. Include a Tract
	Write and encourage an Taoiseach, or a TD (they need it) – include a
ш	Tract. Tell them you are praying for them!
П	Teens can offer to do a <b>bob a job</b> for someone and say it is FREE!
$\Box$	Offer to <b>hoover</b> and clean someone's vehicle. Tell them you are just
ш	doing a random act of loving your neighbour! And give them a tract!
	Let someone <b>go in front of you</b> in line. If someone asks you why you
_	are doing it, then give them a tract!
П	Leave <b>a gift</b> on the front porch for a friend or neighbour, with the
	Tract, and a Church invitation
	Bring something (like flowers, or newspapers) to the local nursing
	home that will lift their spirits