



THE CHURCH IN DUBLIN

HISTORY

In the book **God's Overcomers**, Brother Nee states:

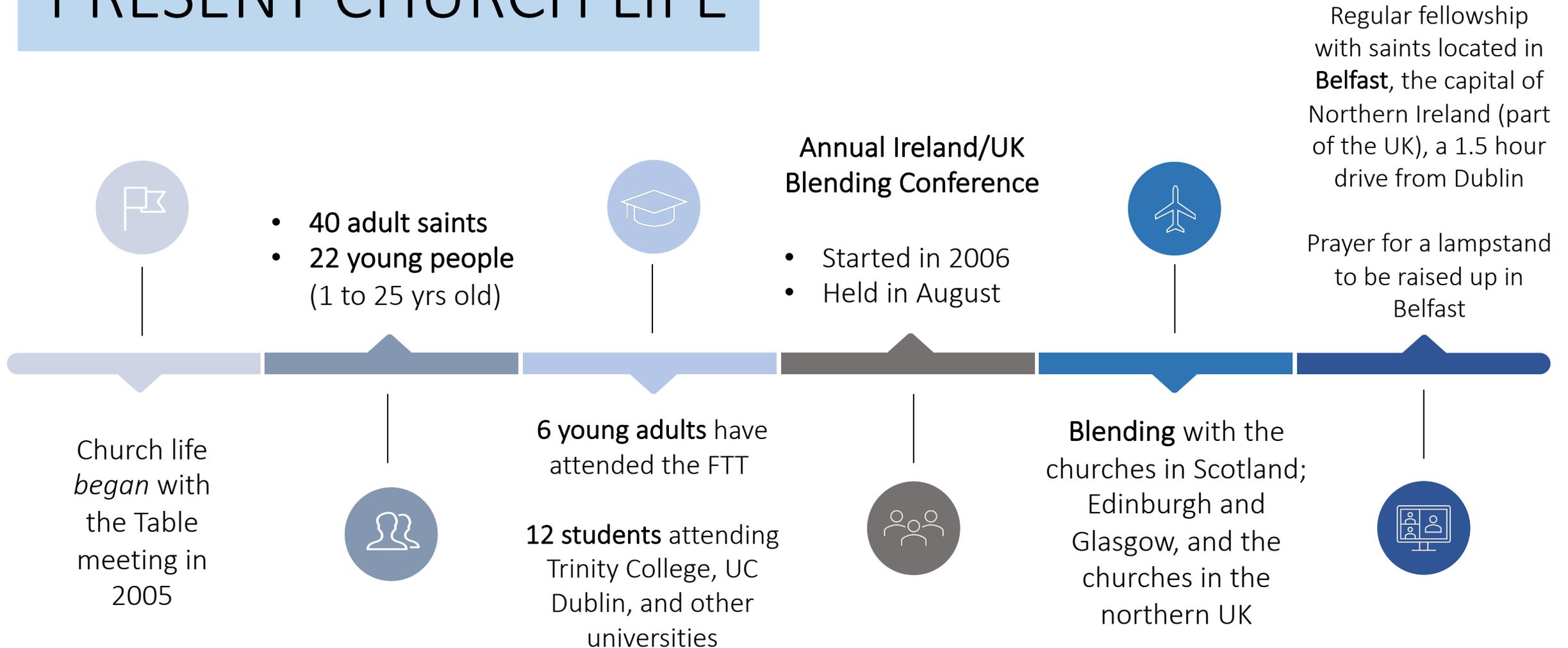
“In 1827 a group of people were raised up in **Dublin, Ireland**... Through reading their books, I received light to see the error of denominational organizations and to realize that there is only one Body of Christ. The church should not be formed by human opinions but should be under the direct leading of the Holy Spirit. When we consider the present-day church organizations, we see many human traditions and opinions and little direct leading of the Holy Spirit. This is not according to God's desire. In God's will, the church should not be under man's control; it should be directed only by the Holy Spirit. All those who belong to the Lord should learn to be led by the Holy Spirit and should not follow man's direction. These are all truths discovered by the Brethren.”

In chapter 7 of the **Orthodoxy of the Church**, Brother Nee discusses the Church in Philadelphia and applies it to the brothers in Dublin:

“In 1825 in **Dublin, the capital of Ireland**, there were several believers whose hearts were moved by God to love all the children of the Lord, regardless of their denomination. This kind of love was not to be frustrated by the walls of denomination. They began to see that in the Scriptures God says there is but one Body of Christ, regardless of how many sects men may divide her into... In 1825—after more than a thousand years of the Roman Catholic Church and several hundred years of the Protestant churches—there was the first return to the simple, free, and spiritual worship in the Scriptures.”

Hence, the roots of the modern day recovery of the church life began with the brothers at 9 Fitzwilliam Square in Dublin. Brother Nee and Brother Lee acknowledged that they “stood on the shoulders” of the Brethren.

PRESENT CHURCH LIFE



CHURCH BURDENS



1

That our **roots** go downward,
that we bear **fruit** upward.
(Isa. 37:31)



2

That we **blend** with others
for the reality of the Body of
Christ.



3

That we **bear the testimony** of
Jesus and **preach the gospel** of
the kingdom to gain this nation
for His kingdom.



4

That the saints are **perfected**
for the building up of the
Body. (Eph. 4:12)



5

That we take the **God ordained**
way in the practice of the
church life.



6

That Dublin and Ireland will
be **used by the Lord** for His
ultimate move in Europe.

THE CITY AND COUNTRY



- The **city of Dublin** is the **capital and largest city** in Ireland.
- Since Brexit, Ireland is the leading country in the European Union (EU) with **English as the primary language**.
- Major centre for hi tech, financial, and pharmaceutical companies. Host to half of the world's top 50 banks and to half of the top 20 insurance companies.
- Total population in Ireland over **4.9 million**. About one third is located in Dublin.
- The County Dublin population is **1,273,069**.
- Ireland is **the youngest country** in the EU with a median age of 37.
- In April 2016, there were 13,640 Brazilian nationals residing in Ireland, more than any other non-European nation. In 2020, the actual number is likely much higher due to large number of students coming to learn English.

THE UNIVERSITIES

- Dublin is home to four of Ireland's eight world-ranking universities.
 - Trinity College Dublin (TCD) is ranked 108th
 - University College Dublin (UCD) is ranked 185th in the World University Rankings 2020.
- Approximately **120,000 students** in total attend the Dublin region's five universities.
- All of the universities are **within a 30 minute drive** of the city centre.
- Most saints are located **within this 30 minute area**, with a few families further west.



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