

## **Church Development Board**

The Board has continued to monitor various projects. The most significant of these has been the work at Tallaght and the knowledge that the new Methodist Centre is about to be officially opened is most encouraging.

The Soul Project, under the leadership of Simon Liggett, has gone through a period of uncertainty and in reviewing this the Board is considering a different approach with the emphasis being placed on a relational ministry. A targeted approach to this concept is underway and the results of this will be examined carefully to help plan the way ahead.

The Board has consulted with Carnalea and Moy churches to offer advice and support.

In line with the ConneXions report, the Church Development Board, facilitated by Rev. Stewart Morris looked at its work and structure.

This discussion has developed and the Chairman of the Board has been in consultation with the Officers of Home Missions and the Property Board to explore alternative ways forward in the cause of Mission.

Initial indications show that there may be benefit not only from a Mission perspective but also from a strategic viewpoint for these groups to operate in a way that would enable close working together while at the same time lightening the structures.

The Board supports the Home Mission report in relation to advancing this concept over the next two years.

### **AGENDA**

1. The Conference receives the report.
2. The Conference re-appoints Mrs. Dorothy Cranston as Secretary.
3. Dates of Board Meetings: 11th October 2004, 6th January 2005 and 16th May 2005.