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Hello and greetings from Baltimore,

It's lashing rain outside so I said what better to do than write a little note to say hello (although it's interrupting my reading!!).

I'm 80 pages away from finishing "The Fellowship of the Ring". It's excellent by the way, but I wanted to finish it before I watch the movie.

The last time I was talking to you we were preparing for this promo tour. We are now smack-bang in the middle of it and everything is going really well. Our first gig in Boston was mad, it was our first time in more than a year playing in front of an audience of 15,000. Talk about a buzz and a half my neck muscles are only getting back to normal now, and to top it off we have another big one tonight. We tend to get a little carried away by the adrenaline sometimes (but I suppose that's a good thing).

We recorded an acoustic performance in Philadelphia for Mix 95.7. The setting was an Irish bar!! "Uh-oh" I hear you say, but we managed to stay sober until after the gig. We met lots of people afterwards in the upstairs bar, and we had a nice chat while sampling some of the local "woodchuck" cider.



Not much other news. Really looking forward to tonight's gig; "Train" are one of the bands playing and I really like their single, so I hope they are good. Actually "Coldplay" were on the bill in Boston and they were brilliant, it was my first time seeing them and definitely won't be my last!

I'll chat again soon, take it easy,
-Fergal.

P.S. I made a bollix of my bread. I put in a litre of buttermilk instead of a pint (what can I say I'm a drummer, I'm not so good at counting!!!) But I am far from beaten. I shall attempt it again upon my return to "The Emerald Isle". Fare-thee-well. I'd better finish that book soon it's affecting my speech!