



Pray for Spain



June/July 2023

***A work of faith and labour of love
for the glory of Christ until He comes***

¡Únete a una gran AVENTURA!

¿Estás listo?
Para subirte al Tren de las Emociones y hacer un viaje a través de las estaciones y descubrir una relación de amor, hazlo ahora con Jesucristo.

¡Sube a bordo!

Escuela Bíblica de Verano Bilingüe!

Fecha: Martes 27 a Viernes 30 de junio
Lugar: Colegio Agustín Sanz
Horario: 10:30h am - 13:00h pm
Edades: 6 a 12 años

TOTALMENTE GRATUITO!

Organiza: Colabora:

Inscripción **ONLINE:**

5-8 JULIO 2023

KIDS SUMMER CAMP

PARA NIÑOS DE 6 A 12 AÑOS

DONATIVO: 100€

PLAZAS LIMITADAS

Clases de inglés | Juegos | Manualidades
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ORGANIZA:

Posters for the Holiday Bible Club and the Bilingual Camp

***"The efficacy of prayer is founded
on the dependability of God."
(Anonymous)***

MORAL DE CALATRAVA

José Luis and Noemí Alfonso



"Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away ... For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings".

Hosea 6:4.6

Dear brothers and sisters,

In these verses our Lord denounces His people Israel, who depended on what they were doing (such as sacrifices) but were neglecting being loyal, or faithful, to God. Being honest with ourselves as Christ's children, we realise we must work hard to be faithful to God.

We must be honest and return to the old paths of loyalty to the Lord. God wants us to love Him with our whole heart, to be passionate to preach the gospel and to reach lost souls. We need to renew our heart and revive loyalty and a love for knowledge of God. That pleases the Lord more than any spiritual sacrifice that you might offer each Sunday. Be faithful to the lord every day. Always faithful to the one who gave His life for you at Calvary, Jesus Christ our FAITHFUL and LOYAL GOD. God bless you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS' HEALTH

Please pray for Paula, who is very weak. Last month she had to go to A&E. She can hardly eat anything and is drinking milk shakes. She has a date for the pre-op and we are trusting the Lord that the operation will go well and be successful.

On behalf of my parents-in-law, Manuela and Daniel, we are very grateful to you for praying about their health, especially for my mother-in-law who had triple bypass heart surgery in March. Thanks to the Lord and your prayers, she is doing very well now. At her last check-up she was told that she was doing very well and that the next appointment will be within six months. We thank God for His care and protection in her life.

Please pray for the other church members, including Maribel, Amalia, Alberto, Ambrosio, Cati and Matías and Josefina. They each have different health problems.

DISCIPLING

Please keep in mind Encarna and Noemí with the discipling. Pray for Marianny who is progressing with Encarna and we can see that she is maturing in faith. But at the same time she has many problems. Her sister Isabela has health issues and is being bullied at school; she is also having marriage problems. Please pray for Marianny and her family.

Mari Nieves meets with Noemí and is very encouraged in the Lord and fully involved in the church. In fact, we have encouraged her to start serving with the little ones in the Sunday School.

Andrea has started coming to Sunday services with her husband Florin and their four children. They are orthodox Christians but seem comfortable in the services and they told me recently that they will continue attending on Sundays when they are able. Please pray for them.

Antonio, whom I am discipling, has missed the services and our Bible Study for over a month, as his work in the hospital takes so much time with many shifts each week; he gets very tired. Please pray for him.

COUPLES AND CHILDREN

We need your prayer support for the couples in our church. We keep crying out for each home and each couple. These are very difficult times for all of us. The family is the main object of attack from the evil one, and we are living on a battle ground daily.

Bear in mind Joaquín and María Carmen; Julián and Carmen; Arnelio and Encarna; Marianny and Roberto; Quique and Mari Nieves; José Luis and Noemí. Ask the Lord to guard the couples and our children. May the Lord work in the hearts of those in our families who are not yet His.

SEFOVAN BIBLE TRAINING BY EXTENSION

In May we completed the 2022-23 Bible training course. Five people have completed their 3-year training and graduate this year, although the ceremony will take place next year in Madrid.



About five students and two young people are interested in studying next year. Please pray that the Lord would cause more to want this opportunity for Bible training, which is contributing so much good in the life and ministry of the church in our area.

AMECLAM PASTORS RETREAT 2-3 JUNE

AMECLAM is an Association of Evangelical Pastors. A year ago, we held the first retreat for AMECLAM pastors and their wives. It was a real blessing to be able to organise and attend the retreat. We shall have the second one 2-3 June this year; the theme will be "Ministerial Renewal", led by Eduardo Delás. 11 couples have registered. Please pray for this retreat that the Lord would speak to our hearts and renew us with His presence, joy and strength.

BIBLE ADVENTURE KIDSClub

We are very grateful to the Lord for our sister Mariana who is doing an extraordinary job with the children who attend. She prepares the lessons very well and connects with the children. Pray for her as she has many struggles and really wants to share the gospel with people living in Moral, and especially her family here.



Pray for the children of Andrea and Florin who come: Sofia, Estefan, Matei and Darius. Darius is the eldest and is going through a very difficult time at secondary school; children who were his friends at primary school are bullying him and his parents are finding this situation difficult. Please pray for him and his parents. Manuel, Isabella, Vicky and María also attend the Bible Club regularly. Pray for them.



HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB 27-30 JUNE

We are busy organising the 2023 Holiday Bible Club. The theme is "The train of emotions", and we will share with the children about people in the Bible where we see how God dealt with them and transformed their lives. We'll talk about anger, rage, relationships, love, etc. Bear in mind the children who will attend.

95% of them are from Roman Catholic families in the town and it is a very good opportunity to share the gospel with them and be a witness to God's love for them. Pray about the process for obtaining permission to use the school and other premises, as well as for all the team who will work with us for that week.

BILINGUAL CAMP 5-8 JULY

We thank God that we can resume this ministry this year. The bilingual camp will be for children from churches in our area. We would like some of the Bible Club children from our church to attend. For this we would like to ask for your help, as their parents cannot afford 100% of the cost. The church council has decided to help with the expense. Pray so that more children can participate in this camp.

VIDAXTREMA CAMPAIGN 11-28 JULY

God willing, the VidaXtrema team will be taking the gospel to the people in our province. This year we will use the musical "The Life of Jesus". We are developing the programme for the whole family, handing out flyers, sharing the gospel personally in the town squares and presenting Christ's message in an attractive and faithful way. We would welcome young people who can give time in the summer to this ministry, coming to work with us in this outreach. If you are interested in knowing how, or are responsible for a group of young people and want to come, contact me for information.

PRAY FOR THE MISSION WORKERS

We thank the Lord for your prayer support for us and the Lord's work we are doing in Santa Cruz de Mudela, Manzanares, Valdepeñas and Moral de Calatrava. Those who went before us put in many years of work and recently we have also. Planting or maintaining a church is not easy here: not only is the land dry, but Spain is also dry spiritually and hard for evangelism. Also the weight of tradition is very deep rooted in the hearts of people in La Mancha. Pray that the Lord would open hearts in our towns and that the power of the Holy Spirit will bring conviction of sin, repentance, and salvation through faith in Christ's work on the cross.

Thank you for praying about the Mission's finances. God is entirely faithful as shown once more in caring for us in recent months. Pray that God would provide for our needs so that we can continue to serve Him with all our strength.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY

Noemí and I thank you for praying for us and our family. The last few months have been busy. My mother-in-law's heart operation took us all by surprise and caused us to make important decisions to be able to be with them. Noemí spent all of March and April with them in Galicia, and I was also there to help when things were difficult. We thank God that we have a church and a mission who are at our side all the time; we always feel loved, protected and supported. We are thankful that the situation is much better now and we can concentrate on the upcoming work.

Pray for Noemí who has her final exams and is trying very hard to get through them after all she has been through recently. Pray for our sons. Natanael has finished his year at university and is looking for summer work; pray that he will find a good job. Eric is already doing cladding work in the town and is very happy. Pray for their souls that they will hold the Saviour in their lives.

Dear friends, thank you for praying. We need your prayer support. Without God, we are nothing. To Him alone be the glory!

With love and gratitude in Christ.

José Luis and Noemí

SANTA CRUZ DE MUDELA

Sergio, Chani & Jennifer



"For nothing will be impossible with God." Luke 1:37

Thanks be to God for His Word! We have such a great God! We can rest and trust in this reality at each moment of our life, especially when going through difficult times. May the Lord through His Spirit help us to trust and rest in the Rock of our Salvation and Hope! We trust the Lord to renew our strength, giving us

wisdom and encouragement to carry on proclaiming the gospel and pastoring His flock.

Thank you brothers and sisters for your prayers and support for the Lord's work in Spain and for us, His servants.

HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB

Preparations are in progress for the Holiday Bible Club which will cover 10 days this year. We were going to prepare for five days, but with the mothers wanting us to give longer, we decided to increase it from 21 to 30 June. We ask you to pray that the children will be keen to attend and will receive the Lord's blessing through the Holy Spirit speaking to their hearts and that they feel the need for Christ in their lives. Pray also that their parents and relatives will enable the children to come and that they will attend the closing day, giving them the opportunity to hear the gospel for salvation. We thank God for those who are coming from the UK to help us this year.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN

We are thankful to God that we can also hold this outreach from 14 to 27 July. Permits have already been requested from the town halls; pray there will be no hitches and we can carry out the campaign freely with no problems caused by the authorities.

Pray also for the leaders and helpers, especially the young people; we are thankful for the effort they make each year to work hard during those two weeks. A group from Exodus will be working with the young people from our churches in the various activities.

CHURCH MEMBERS

Pray for Fernando whose father died on 28 April; he is alone now as his mother died some years ago and he was their only child. We thank God that he feels well supported by the church, and his friendship with Germán helps him a lot. We continue with weekly Bible Studies and he attends all the church services.

Please pray for Juana, Paquita, Ramón and Sofi that the Lord will continue to help and strengthen them.

Pray for Alfonso who attends every Sunday (but not the prayer meetings). His wife Juani has not joined us for a long time. Alfonso's health due to his motor neuron disease continues to worsen, as he has less balance and has lost quite a lot of his hearing.

We thank God that Germán and Eva remain faithful to the Lord and in serving Him in the church.

Pray too for Sara that she will remain faithful and for her husband David who attends every Sunday, but we don't know what prevents him from confessing the name of Christ. Pray for Samuel and Sofía as they grow up – that they will grow in the Lord too.

Emilio and Tainey are a couple from the town of Viso del Marqués who have visited us several times; they are quite interested in the gospel but cannot attend as often as they would like, due to their jobs. Pray that the Lord would work in their lives and that they can hear the gospel.

BAPTISM

On 16 July, our brother Fernando Marín will testify in public about his faith when he is baptised in obedience to the Lord. Pray that the Lord will keep him firm in faith and that his mental health will not be affected by all he is going through as he grieves the loss of his father.



OUR FAMILY

We thank God for Jennifer, whose school year is nearly over and has gone quite well; the occupational and speech therapists have helped her a lot. Her health is stable, with fewer rashes due to the skin lupus. Chani's health is a bit better now; she had been admitted to hospital with a serious intestinal problem, but thanks to God she is improving. However, she still has moderate pain which is not going away. As always, please pray for us that the Lord would give us vision, wisdom and encouragement in serving the church and preaching the gospel.

With love in Christ Jesus our Saviour.

Sergio, Chani and Jennifer