

news from the revival fellowship in the americas

April 2007

Jesus, The Man

A few years ago there was a popular song out titled "Looking for a hero". It is true to say that throughout the ages people have always looked for a hero, someone to rescue them, someone to liberate them, someone to fight for their cause, someone they could look up to and admire. There have been countless so-called heroes, both real and fabled, that have caught the minds and hearts of people everywhere. There have been stories written and songs sang celebrating them and their achievements. The greatest heroes were those who never wanted to be nor considered themselves to be heroes. They just humbly did what needed to be done. Of all those individuals, the greatest hero was Jesus Christ.

Now we might not have thought of Jesus as being a hero but if we look at the definition of the word hero, "a person noted or admired for nobility, courage, outstanding achievement" and look at Jesus' life and ministry, he fits the bill. Right from the beginning of his ministry, he laid out what he was there for.

"And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears." Luke 4:16-21, KJV.

He came as the savior, the liberator, the

healer but more importantly he came as the humble servant to do the will of the father. The Jews at that time knew about the coming Messiah but they were expecting some mighty and forceful individual who was going to bring about a natural deliverance and restoration, someone who was going to rid them of their captors. Even toward the end of his ministry, they were still expecting Jesus to restore Israel to prominence.

"And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power." Acts 1:4-7, KJV.

I am sure not many Jews saw Jesus as a hero. After all, heroes ride into town on a magnificent steed, not on the back of a donkey.

"On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord. And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written, Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt. These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him." John 12:12-16, KJV.

In spite of what people may have thought of him or said about him, Jesus remained true to his calling, he stayed the course. He performed mighty deeds, not to make a name for himself but to give glory to God.

"Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him. Jesus answered them, Many

good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me? The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God. Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods? If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken; Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God? If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him." John 10:31-38, KJV.

Those he healed, he asked them not to make a big deal out of it.

"And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak." Mark 7:32-37, KJV.

Of all the traits that a hero has, it's his or her courage and sacrifice that stands out. In the face of peril and eminent danger, they do what they know must be done. This truly characterizes Jesus as a real hero. He willfully faced a horrible death and gave up his life for the god of all mankind, even those who had no regard for him.

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant,

and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Philipians 2:5-8, KJV.

As we go through this life, let's remember we do have a hero, someone we can look up to. "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Hebrews 12:1, 2, KJV.

Pastor Carlton

Pennsylvania Report

Greetings to everyone. Winter has finally left and things are starting to warm up, both naturally and spiritually. We have a new sister in Lord, Li. She is the wife and mother of the family that recently moved to the area from Atlanta, GA. She received the Holy Spirit after a Wednesday night meeting. Before she received, she shared with us that through some circumstances she recognized she really needed to follow the Lord and really wanted the Holy Spirit. It was a real blessing to see the Lord honor that. She is there at the Wednesday and Sunday meetings with her 2 kids, one a 3 month old baby. Her husband is an intern so his schedule doesn't allow him to get to as many meetings but when he is there we pray with him to receive the Holy Spirit. Li is also planning on coming to East coast camp. Do keep her and her family in prayer as there are needs of provision we are looking for the Lord to meet. I also received an e-mail from someone in Jamaica who seems is really searching for the truth and wanting to know more about salvation and being in fellowship with a group that has the book of Acts' experience and the power. I was able to write back and tell him what we believe and if he is really searching for the truth, we have some answers. He said that he was planning on being in the Philadelphia area in June and wanted to know how close I was. I let him know that I was only two and a half hours away and would look forward to

meeting him. I am hoping to hear back from him so we can get a dialogue going. Being a pastor on the east coast may have some distinct advantages after all.

Yours In Christ;

Pastor Carlton

Greetings from Athens Ga.

We've had a busy month in Athens. We had a visit from our sister Jodie Leslie from Adelaide. She stayed for 10 days. It was great fellowship. We had two prayer and fasts this month. The first was for a job here in Athens for Steve. The second was a scheduled prayer and fast. Both were wonderful. We also had a fabulous day canoeing on the Broad river one Saturday when Jodie was visiting. The weather was perfect and we all just had a great day of fellowship. We've been outreaching in the city on Friday nights lately using the "Do all Christians Speak in Tongues" fliers. We're ready for some revival.

That's it for now.
Greetings to all the Saints.
John Lawson.

Greetings from Boise,

Another month has gone by, the weather's warming up and people are spending more time outside. We have been doing personal witnessing at work and to friends. We have a couple of people who are "still on the line" but, **have not made any firm commitment.** The camp in Fresno was very uplifting for us all. The drive down and back (12 hours each way) gave us a great time to talk and hear testimonies in greater detail, also to **reflect on the camp talks and testimonies** heard there. One very exciting event that happened includes Jamie's son Patrick. He had mentioned to me (late on the last night of camp) that he wanted to get baptized when we get back to Boise. We were getting ready to leave Fresno on Sunday night from the restaurant and Dena Womack offered their bathtub for the baptism right now. Since they live only a couple miles

away, it seemed like the perfect way to end the camp. Everyone one was invited. We borrowed a pair of shorts. Dave took the door off of the bathroom and the shower doors as well so everyone could get a better view and pictures. Patrick was baptized and with more than 60 people praying in the Spirit it was an exciting time. He is still praying for the spirit and we are confident that he will receive. It was also uplifting to see Mark Williams and his family again. This was their first camp to meet everyone and exchange testimonies.

In Christ,

Bobby Moses

San Pedro

San Pedro had their usual Wed. nite meetings and a Prayer and Fast this month. It is such a wonderful thing to clear out the mind and hearts and prepare for the Holy Spirit to move by fasting. We met and had prayer and talks by Gus, Jay and Jim and testimonies by Tammy and Ed. We had a fulfilling time praying for Tammy's Mom who is ill with cancer to receive the Spirit.

After much anticipation the Fresno Camp finally arrived. A great time was had by the Saints, a happy but short weekend of praying, talks and items.

Thank you Fresno Assembly for the camp.

Fresno Report

The highlight of March was our weekend camp the 23rd - 25th at Calvin Crest - in the mountains near Oakhurst, about 1 ¼ hours drive from Fresno. The theme was "...whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he." Proverbs 16:20. The Lord totally blessed the whole weekend in every way. We had visitors from Pennsylvania, Idaho, Indiana, San Pedro, and a student from the Brisbane assembly in school in Oklahoma. We were so pleased to finally meet and have Mark and Lourna Williams and their 4 children from Indiana (after leaving the Ivory Coast 2 years ago) at our camp. We had a wonderful time of fellowship, meetings, items, testimonies and great weather along with it. It was the first time we went to this camp but after checking it out last year we knew everyone would enjoy the facilities and the area. It is at 5000' elevation

and this camp was fully catered and offered a choice of accommodation – depending on how much you wanted to pay. There was a fairly new lodge with rooms like in a hotel – everything was provided and then there were buildings of 4 plexes in which each room had 2 sets of bunk beds and a bathroom and you bring your own sleeping bags, etc. There were also other areas with cabins and a central shower/bathroom building but we all chose to stay either in the lodge or the other buildings – not knowing what the weather would be like this time of year. A couple weeks before our camp they had several feet of snow but by the time we got there most of it had melted except there was just enough in some shaded areas for kids to enjoy. Our first meeting was the Friday night, prayer meetings before breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, then mid morning meetings, lunch, and a meeting after supper on Saturday night. Camp finished after lunch on Sunday. We heard many wonderful uplifting talks and testimonies. Through the talks we were encouraged to put our trust in the Lord to have real happiness – not in material possessions, things we do, or in people. These things are all temporary but the happiness we experience from the Lord is forever and is obtained through putting God first – trusting in Him, praying, rejoicing, fishing for men, and serving others. We heard that sometimes things can creep into our walk in the Lord that gets us off track. Sin is like termites – it eats away and weakens the structure as this spiritual wickedness is attacking us. We must constantly keep a check on what we are doing but many times happiness comes through tribulation - we must keep focused on the Lord, knowing He is working something good out of it all. God put us in trust of the gospel – how much more should we trust Him? We need to trust and not be afraid as fear will paralyze you and keep you from trusting and rejoicing. As one brother put it – we need to get on our face and pray!!!! If we want peace in our life, we need to make peace with God. We also heard that our integrity is in the Lord – completeness, conforming to the truth, and we must stay on the right path. We also heard about having a STOP box where we put our problems and leave them there with the Lord as that stands for Savior Takes Our Problems!!! There were 113 at camp and a great time of rejoicing and growth in His ways as we set aside time to glorify Him.

Activities in the afternoon included a climbing wall, a zipline which carried you in a harness from one point to another which

many enjoyed, basketball, hiking trails to giant Sequoia trees, or just walking around and enjoying the fellowship. The weather was perfect – mild days and cool nights. More snow came the following day after we left. Several visitors were staying in Fresno on Sunday night before leaving Monday morning so we all went to Sweet Tomatoes Restaurant for supper and fellowship and then Patrick – 15, from Boise was ready to get baptized so we went to the Womack's house to rejoice in that. Praise the Lord, an exciting time the whole weekend! During the month we also had a prayer and fast, a prayer night, witnessing, and our Brazil lunch

Canada Report

We continue to rejoice in the Lord and unity of the spirit with the other saints around North America. This month we have had a few new people come to meetings. Some have liked what they saw and may come back.

Our Wednesday night skype meetings are going well as we generally have at least 1 person join us. This month we will have our second combined meeting with San Pedro. The fellowship is great when we realize that although we are apart in distance, the spirit makes things seem a lot closer. For those who want to join the skype meeting. A) Download skype from skype.com b) make sure you have speakers (or headphones) and a microphone on your computer c) a high speed internet connection, D) add 'mlindal' as a new contact, be online around 7:20 pm and the meeting will begin around 7:30 pm Pacific Time.

I am looking forward to traveling to the Virginia camp and sharing some good fellowship with the East Coast saints and those from California who make the trip.

Canada Camp registration for this July is at: members.shaw.ca/revival/camp.html.

God Bless, Pastor Mark

FRESNO TESTIMONY

Hi everybody! My name is Shannie Lipper

and I'm 14 ½ years old. I received the Holy Spirit and got baptized January 14th, 2004. When I was growing up my Mom and Dad would go to church, and when the pastor would call up people to the front to 'ask Jesus into their heart' I would be too shy to go and wondered why they would do that and raise their hands in the air.

At school there was a boy (Bryce) from the fellowship. After a while my parents split up, and Bryce's mother saw my Mom crying so she talked to her and invited her to a meeting. There was so much power in the meeting. That night my oldest brother received the Spirit. After that my Mom received and then my sister, me, and then my younger sister and brother.

Life has been awesome in the Lord. He has done so much for me and my family. At first when we started coming we didn't have money for food and the Lord provided. We were living in a small town called Coalinga, and we were driving to Fresno where the fellowship is 1 ¼ hours away at least 3 times a week. Since my Mom wanted to move closer to the fellowship and we were making so many trips to Fresno that we moved there. The Lord provided a good house for us.

One of the major blessings that I always can remember is when Pastor Ward brought a guitar to one of the fellowship nights. I wanted to learn how to play guitar so he showed me a bit and 3 months later he got a guitar for me. I was so happy and excited! Gradually I learned more and more and then with a few other kids playing instruments we learned some choruses which we played a couple times for meetings. A few of us then got together to play some songs for a camp night. It was so much fun. That's how my band formed and the Lord has blessed us greatly and so far has answered every prayer for my band. I prayed for a name for the band and he provided me with one and I also asked Him to help me write songs and He has given me twelve. Without the Lord my band wouldn't be functional at all and I praise Him every day for that!

This school year my Mom put me in public

school. I had been home schooled. It is kind of hard being around a bunch of kids that have bad mouths and minds, but the Lord helps me to tell them about Him. Before, I never had really told anyone about God up until this one time when I just started school. I was in the gym listening to my music and this girl asked me what kind of music I listen to and I told her Christian . She was amazed at how much I followed God. That just broke the ice and now I have confidence to tell people about God – Amen!



March report from Brazil

We have seen many wonderful things taking place in our assembly. Praise to the Lord God.

Our series of messages this month was to keep talking about being fruitful Christians. Jesus said in John 15.16 "You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you."

It is amazing that Jesus does not accept one unfruitful life. We were chosen to be fruitful. In the practical sense we should show our fruit. Revival is not only to be filled with the Holy Spirit, but we have to impact our



community with practical actions. The young people here every Saturday morning knock on doors and offer to clean the backyards of the houses in the area where they live. People are coming to the church because of their testimony. Praise the Lord. Consequence of that it is that we do not have space to put people.

It is wonderful to see the radical changes in people's lives. You see in this picture saints standing up all over the place. We had 20. We tried to do two meetings but it was very difficult to explain to the saints that came to the first one that they should not stay to the second one. The atmosphere was so wonderful that they wanted to stay to the last meeting. So we had overcapacity.

Iguatu

The church there is well. José and Fabiana are doing the best to put the assembly on the track. Many many saints are coming back to the assembly again. Praise to the Lord. They had 12 baptized.

So brothers please keep praying. We are very enthusiastic to preach the gospel. Thank you very much for your spiritual and material support. God bless you in many ways.

Pastor Esteves
Esteves

European Monthly Report

Editorial:

How to communicate with teenagers
Just read an article in a magazine about how to communicate with teenagers. Very interesting, of course, but the article was from a total natural viewpoint.



Another thing I came across recently is some news about how the well known "Ken and Barbie" dolls have now been replaced by the "Bratz" dolls. (<http://www.bratz.com>)

While I do not hold with the many conspiracy theories, there is no doubt that there are always forces at work to "reset" the "norm" for our kids. Of course the result of this has a large impact in their later life as well.

The dictionary states: *Brat: enfant terrible – spoiled child – holy terror – juvenile delinquent – little terror – punk kid – snotnosed kid – spoiled brat – rascal – demon – devil – fiend – hellcat – hellion – rogue – villain.*

Strangely enough, brats are often seen as funny, people laugh about what they do or say and the film industry runs with this. It is a good money maker. So the Brats (*Bratz?*) become the "norm" and any kid who is not a brat is "square" and to be ignored by his/her peers. And so the Brats become examples to our children.

The result of all this is a "man-created" sub-species, called cool kids who of course grow into cool teenagers.

Having done all that, the parents then need to read books, follow courses and study philosophy on how to communicate with their, self created, sub-species and a large

industry is born with many people making a good living out of this.

Related to this is the idea that we need to spend "quality time" with our kids to counteract all this and help them grow up into useful adults and prevent too many troubles while they are growing up.

In general this quality time is seen as Dad with the boys going fishing together, going to the ballgames or other related activities and Mum with the girls going shopping.

This all reminded me of the 2004 Revival Convention in Adelaide. The whole Saturday afternoon-session was taken up by Parents and their (by now adult) Children and on how they looked at their growing-up period in the assembly. I saw a great number of examples of how it could be done in a family where God and the Fellowship are central in all things. Amazingly, it is not complicated at all. The Bible states:

Eph 6:4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

This is a perfectly balanced approach. All the ingredients needed are there.

Like us, our children do not need to conform to the world. (Ro 12:2) Not even if it is "cute" or "funny".

The way to a good future is to give them quality time in the Lord and with the assembly, not away from it, not a "natural" solution. So, don't keep them home when there is an assembly activity.

Of course they can be tired when they go to school the next day, just like us when we go to work next day. So what? We will all be tired anyway; the choice we have to make is to be happy tired or miserably tired. In any case, if the assembly activities can not be seen as quality time, what is?

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Events for the year 2007

04-08 April

Spring Camp, in Hungary

Followed by the opening of a new Hall in Budapest on the 9th of April

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17-20 May

Euro Convention 2007

Rotterdam, Holland
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28 July - 4 August

Summer Camp, in Germany

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Greetings to all the Saints

We have had a great month in Holland with plenty of outreaches and fellowships. Pastor Bert, Klaasje and a few others visited Tico and Renska in Bonaire where they had a great time of fellowship with our brother and sister there. Pastor Piet and Netty were in the UK during the last week of this month and visited Manchester, Liverpool, the kids' camp ending up for the pastors meeting in Medway.

Any pastors interested in a report of this trip can contact ps Piet (piet.visser@revivalfellowship.nl)

Pastor Piet gave a talk this month about how Christianity is totally different from any (other?) religion. Religion does not understand, nor preach John 3 and it just does not work! What God can do for you is absolutely dependant on what you do for God. He is willing to do everything for us when we are willing to do everything for Him, which is not difficult considering we have been given the power to do what we need to do. If things go wrong in our lives, we should never blame others or start to compromise when difficulties arise. There is nothing better than overcoming our weaknesses and seeing the Lord working. With God in our lives we overcome now! By attending meetings, we get the answers to our questions, learn, understand, overcome, are able to help others and grow. We should not limit ourselves by thinking that we are too young or too old, or allow people to put limitations upon us. It should be visible that we are children of God. By being born again, all things that weren't possible became possible.

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Just to add some actual info, the following happened at the last Wednesday night meeting in Rotterdam. Ten new people turned up and three got baptized straight after the meeting. Some of the others were talked to afterwards and three of our young ones (13-16) got talking to two of the young new ones. They took them to the prayer room and prayed for them to receive the Holy Spirit, which they did receive. Their Father, another visitor, gave permission for them to get baptized, which we did and another lady, after seeing all that got baptized as well. All in all a great (late!) evening, six baptisms and the

teenagers played an active role in all this, just like the adults. Surely there is nothing better than this?

Ps Piet Visser.



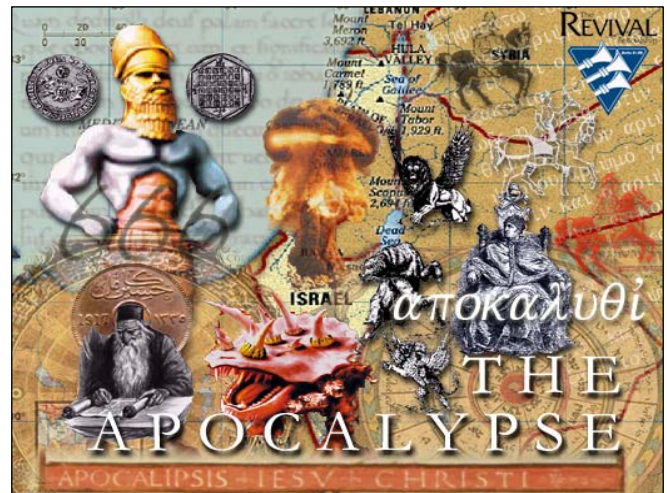
What Else Has Been Happening

Holland

Rotterdam

We had many visitors to the meetings and one person was baptized and spirit filled with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues. We have had many outreaches and door knocks getting lots of contacts that need to be followed up. We had a presentation from brother Jan Pieter about his trip to Africa. It is wonderful to see what the Lord is doing there for our brethren.

An items and music night was a great success with lots of new people attending. We had many questions an-



swered at our 'question and answer evening'. On the last Saturday evening Pastor Pieter gave the first part of a series of 4 presentations about the book of Revelations. This is always an interesting book to be studying.

Dordrecht

In Dordrecht it was really good to have seven people being baptized by full immersion, receiving the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues. We enjoyed a Saturday night fellowship where we heard some great testimonies of how God has been, and still is meeting the needs of His children and turning lives around.

One thing that was clear is that God wants to reconcile us to Him and to



Clockwise from front left to front right: Ps Bob Hutton, Ps Chris Kaye, Ps Warren Sharrock, Br Tom O'Brien, Ps Yomi Okunola, Ps Lee Finney, Ps Ray Welsh, Ps Martin Polhill, Ps Steve Murphy and Br Stephan Regli. (Ps Piet Visser is taking the picture)

What Else Has Been Happening

one another. By being born again, God sees the person's needs and answers those needs and takes away the old problems that used to control us. We now live in victory and are wonderfully blessed. God is fully committed to His children and is able to do all He promises.

Short Talks

We enjoyed three short talks at a Saturday night fellowship:

Alex spoke about how we have been called by God. We have to recognize ourselves as being His children and are in the position of receiving all His promises. Don't doubt this. People should see who we are, but will be unable to do so if we are unbelieving. We have signs and wonders in our life but still there are times when we doubt unnecessarily. Don't doubt that we are able to do what God asks as He is always with us. **Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Mt 5:14.** People know God exists which is logical as this is how we are created. Many people live their lives feeling insecure, hiding behind a mask and looking for fulfillment which is the opposite of how we should be.

Johan spoke about how our goal is to find people who want to find the truth. We have been given the important task to tell people about life with God. We speak the one gospel of being born again as there is no other way to find salvation. Do things that God wants you to do. We have been saved but still have to keep ourselves from the world. God's promises remain the same and are our guarantee for the future. **Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbeliever: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness: and what communion hath light with darkness? 2Cor 6:14.** Don't give up when difficulties arise. We become wiser and stronger through our experiences. Be busy for the Lord until the return of Christ and do not get caught up with the cares of the world or fill your life with unimportant things.

Maarten spoke about how religious people sometimes call themselves Christians claiming that we have the same God but only worship Him in different ways. We must separate ourselves from the religion we are

surrounded with and be prepared and confident for all situations that come our way. **And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious. Is 11:10.** It is important to be in an assembly that keeps the standard of God high. The Bible is black and white and upholding God's principals is our testimony. We should be doing the same in our personal lives. We are fighting for eternal life.

Almere

Dear brothers and sisters.

We have now been holding meetings in Almere for half a year and we can see that we are being shaped more and more into a team for the Lord. We had a good encouraging talk about being a safe haven here. This can only happen when we, the brothers and sisters, are stable and safe as the body of Christ. If we have unity, God will add more people. This month we had a good outreach and for the first time a door-knock in the surroundings of where we hold meetings. We gained some good contacts through this. After the outreach we had a good time of sharing with one another about everything that had happened and what was talked about. Very exciting. People talked to during the outreach came to the meetings. Three guests came to the presentation, "Questions and Answers" where they heard important questions being answered from the Bible. One woman prayed for the Holy Spirit which she received. Praise the Lord! On the Sunday another three guests attended the meetings.

So we praise the Lord for the things are happening here and we look forward to more things to come.

We thank the brothers and sisters from Rotterdam and Dordrecht for their support with the outreaches and the brothers who gave talks.

Heard from the Platform

- The gospel is only hidden from those who don't want to hear it.
- We create problems for ourselves by holding onto things of our old life.
- Mankind has to fit into God's ways, not the other way around. (*Ga 1:10 For do I now persuade men, or God? ---*)
- God's power is unlimited.
- Many people know something about the Bible but few understand about the message of salvation.
- If you know you shouldn't do something, don't do it – don't count the consequences!
- Everyone who is not in the Lord is searching for the peace and rest that we experience in our lives.
- Don't pray for power, but for courage to use the power we have been given!
- Through God all things are possible so give Him the chance to do it. Impossible doesn't exist.
- If you want movement in your assembly – then start moving yourself!
- It is more important for us to gather treasures in heaven than on earth.
- If you want a better Pastor, pray for the one you have already got.
- Commitment is a great source of energy, without a full commitment everything is just a lot of hard work.
- You are in this for life, retirement comes in the millennium.



The Revival Fellowship in:



Bowling, the Suisse way...

The 2 photo's below show the meeting and band in Switzerland during the visit from a family from Holland and a sister from Germany

Switzerland

Dear brethren,
At the beginning of the month we had Jacob and Michelle Riggs from Australia with us. They visited for a couple of days and we were able to listen to their testimonies and heard what's going on in that part of the vineyard.

We had a Basics evening on the first weekend in February where we were reminded how important it is to remember our first love and what the Lord has done for us up to now.

Ps 77:11-13 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old. I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings. Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God?

We all know John 3, Acts 2, Mark 16, Romans 6 and 8...maybe by heart, but we need to read these basic things again and again so we are sure about what we have received and these basic words are exactly the words that people need to hear to come to the Lord.

We also had a woman visiting a Wednesday meeting who is in a difficult situation. We were able to tell her what the Lord has to offer and that He will never leaves us if we listen to and fulfill His words. We are still in contact with her.

We were also able to spread the word on many occasions on the streets and at door-knocks.

In the middle of the month we had a Bowling afternoon/evening. Brother Lambert and his family from Holland were with us, and also sister Kerstin from Nurnberg. We had a great time of fellowship together. The following week Stephan, with his family, went to Medway to be present at the Euro/UK pastors meeting. That's all for now.

Greetings and God bless
The Swiss fellowship

Hungary

Greetings from Hungary, where we have had our first full month in our new hall.

Three people were baptized with one receiving the Holy Spirit.

We had a night where we showed the translated version of the old Video "Distinctively Human"

The visitors were able to see clearly how wonderfully God works.

We had a healing testimony night where some brethren testified to the glory of the Lord with healings from a brain tumor, heart problems and many others. This was followed by a children's day where the guests were able to see small items performed by the Crèche and Sunday School children. This was followed by activities so the guest's children could experience first hand what we do. At the end of the month we had a presentation about 'The Signs of the Times' where we could show the way the Bible has correctly prophesied what is happening today.

Weekly outreaches on Tuesdays and Prophecy Board outreaches next to our new hall on Thursdays made up the rest of the activities for this month.

This month has seen us do a lot of things and we are looking forward to finishing off the work needed to the hall and then just to concentrate on what we really need to do; get people to come to the Lord.
God Bless

The Hungarian Fellowship



Testimonies

From Ivory Coast:

I thank God for what He has done in my life. I was baptized and received the gift of Holy Spirit with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues. Since being born again the Lord had brought my dreams to pass. I was married here in the fellowship. It is good to be able to preach the word of God out there in the world and He always answers my prayers. I have such a blessed life since being born again and am very happy to be preaching the gospel.



Brother Noe

I was baptized and received the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues. A few days ago I was sick and brother Wellington prayed for me and afterwards I stopped feeling the pain. I was healed through the power of prayer.

Sister Yolanda

From Dordrecht:

Juliette came to the Lord one year ago after seeking for the truth for some time. At her first meeting she received the Holy Spirit and was baptized. The sadness that she lived with disappeared and she no longer needs to search for the truth. She now lives in Dordrecht close to the meeting with her twin daughters. Her sister, who is living in France, has recently been baptized by Alain there.

Marja has been born again for nearly two years after hearing the gospel from her son. She had suffered from asthma for a long time so asked the Lord for help. She became sick from the medicine she needed to use so stopped using it and was healed. Her daughter also came to the Lord.



Gideon came to the Lord 5 ½ years ago. He was raised a catholic but left the church and became involved in the hard rock and gothic culture, drinking and us-

ing drugs. After coming to the Lord he removed his many face-piercings and left his old life completely behind. His father came to the Lord a few months afterwards so they are able to be a good support for one another.



Sven grew up in the Lord and was spirit filled at the age of 5 after becoming very sick and realizing he needed to be born again. He was healed and the Lord helps him in big and small things he is faced with growing up.

From Rotterdam:



Heleen with her husband Edwin and their son, Liam

After leaving High School, I wanted to see a bit of the world so I traveled to Australia. On returning to Holland I became depressed as I couldn't get used to life here. I was very unhappy and wondered what the point of life was. My future worried me as I couldn't keep a job for more than a couple of months because I always felt restless. I decided to go back to Australia with a one-way ticket. In Perth I heard the gospel at a Prophecy Board outreach and went to a meeting that day. When the pastor asked if anyone wanted to be baptized, I raised my hand. Coming up out of the water God filled me with the Holy Spirit and I spoke in tongues. For the first time I knew God was real, Jesus was alive and that I had found the absolute truth. I knew this was what I had been looking for and my unhappiness left. God took away my alcohol, smoking and drug addictions and I found I didn't swear anymore. The

answers to all the questions that I'd had all my life were found in the Bible. My restlessness was replaced by peace and contentment. God has provided my every need and prayers are answered in the smallest detail. God has healed me of many things including appendicitis and pain in my shoulder which I'd had for years. I now live with the power of God and it is such a joy to know the truth and to have something to offer others. I have married and we have a son, which is a great joy. The other day he had a fever so we prayed for him and he was healed instantly. Praise the Lord for being a miracle-working God!

Heleen, Rotterdam, Holland



I came to the Lord nearly eight years ago. Prior to this I used to be a bit of a dreamer and was into nature. I saw the world as a place where I didn't

belong in. I became an artist but felt no control over my life and knew I had to change. I heard the gospel and thought it was just another religion but became curious so asked to hear more. I read the Bible and recognized it as the truth and completely convinced. I was baptized by full immersion and received the Holy Spirit one day alone on my bed, speaking in tongues. I realized there was something worth living for. God supports me and I have become strong and can make a stand for what I believe whereas before this I used to be very vague. I have a completely different way of living and see a great unity between brothers and sisters

Dymphna, Rotterdam, Holland

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*That's all for this month.
Bye for now,
Karen van Oostende
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land*

