

# **Revival Fellowship Europe** Monthly Report, August 2011



#### WASSERKUPPE, CENTRAL GERMANY.

This year we were very pleased to have over 340 people attend our summer camp. We enjoyed a week where we benefited from plenty of talks, prayer and fellowship. We were greeted with thick fog which cleared, no doubt, thanks to the prayers of many saints, and we were blessed with lovely weather. Five people who travelled from Poland were baptiszed.

As the world tries to erode our confidence in the Lord our camps become more and more special. It's a time where we leave the world behind and grow stronger while at the same time we learn to help others to be ready for the day when Christ returns. The camp theme was an interesting one: "WHY".

Basically, there are two ways to use this word "WHY", as in: "I don't

believe a word you are saying" or "WHY" as in: "I really would like to know the answers." We can be confident that God does not mind the second one. Everything God says and does can stand up to critical scrutiny.



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### Coming events:

### **Euro Camp in Ireland**

Wed 26 Oct —Sun 30 Oct 2011

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#### Euro Camp in Czech Rep.

Wed 26 Oct — Sun 30 Oct 2011

in Svobada Nad U'Pou, Hotel "Prom"

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Sat 24 Dec 2011 — Sun 1 Jan 2012

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BATH, UNITED KINGDOM

This year we hosted some 220 people at the summer camp in Bath. The camp theme centered around how we cannot accomplish anything without the power of God. The main supporting scripture comes from: Zechariah 4:6 "Then he answered and

spake unto me, saying, This [is] the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts".

This prophecy was given in the time of Darius, one of the main rulers of the Medo-Persian empire. It talks about the promises of God for the ones who turn to him (Zechariah 1:3 ...... "Turn ye unto me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts". This verse says it all, "You turn to me (first) and I (God) will respond".

So, it does not mean that we don't have to do anything, it simply means that God blesses what we put our hand to.

#### **Editorial: BOOK OF FIRE**

In the late fourteenth century, a storm blew out of England. It rose up in the colleges of the new universities. It blew out of the hills and valleys of Gloucestershire and the Midlands. It came from the crowded streets of London, and the merchants' quarter of the Steelyard. Above all, it stirred the alleyways and byways of the common folk: tanners, tailors, weavers and thatchers; apprentices and journeymen, farmers and wives, young men and their sweethearts, old men and their grandsons.

It was strong, it was clear, and in the end it would be irresistible: it was the desire that the voice of the Bible be heard, and that it be heard in a tongue that everyone could understand, from ploughboy to prince, from goose girl to gentlewoman: the language known as 'English.'

At that time all Bibles were in Latin or in a combination of Greek and Hebrew. Such languages were the preserve of the Roman Catholic Church, and even within that institution there were few who had even a passing grasp of Latin, let alone Greek or Hebrew. Such men were termed 'scholars' or 'learned priests'. They were trained to use the scriptures as an exercise in debate and philosophy, and not as a way of unlocking the Gospel. Any attempt to use the Bible as a way to reveal the Word to the people was seen as heresy and rebellion against the 'Mother Church'. Popes, bishops, cardinals and abbots crushed with ruthless ease the least hint that somehow the secret of salvation might lie within the book all men called 'Holy'.

But now there was a change. An Oxford scholar named Wycliffe preached what so many people knew: that the Catholic Church was hopelessly corrupt, that the Pope was a protector of greedy, arrogant, cruel and immoral priests, and that the papacy itself was little more than a feudal kingdom run by robber barons. He also preached that many of the doctrines of the Roman Church had no foundation in scripture, and were in many cases clearly opposed to the teachings of Christ. And to cap it all, he insisted that the Bible be translated so that all men could be set free from Catholicism and at the same time could see what they must do to be saved

It was a storm. Wycliffe's words were seized on, as was the news that he himself had begun to translate the Bible. He completed his translation in 1382. His popularity grew in the hills and valleys of Wales and the Borderlands. It spread to the villages and towns of the eastern counties, especially among the artisan folk. It even reached the palace of the young king, Richard II.

Richard's queen, Anne of Bohemia, championed Wycliffe's cause, and gave support to all those who claimed to have found the way into the kingdom of Heaven because of the 'new teaching'. This teaching was scornfully referred to as 'Lollardy' by the

Church authorities. Those who adhered to it were called 'Lollards'. 'Lollard' is based on a Flemish word meaning to speak or pray in a mumbling tongue. It is a root word for the Dutch 'lollen' meaning to mutter or babble or talk nonsense.

When Anne died of the plague in Richmond in 1394, the people mourned the loss of their 'Good Queen'. Her ladies in waiting, rejected from the royal court, returned to Bohemia where they spread the 'gospel' of Lollardy. Shortly after, in the same region, the two new movements known as the Anabaptists and the Hussites appeared, their teachings being close to those of the Lollards. They emphasised particularly adult baptism by full immersion.

Meanwhile, in England, the copying of Bible tracts into English had become big business. It was said that a man would trade a cartload of hay for one of Paul's letters. Despite the ravages of the Black Death which had been sweeping Europe since 1346, there was a mood of rising excitement. The Roman Catholic Church, along with the next king of England, prepared to silence Wycliffe and destroy his message once and for all.

In 1401 Henry IV passed a law called 'de Heretico Comburendo'. It condemned to death by burning all those who opposed or preached against the Catholic faith. The Lollards were described as 'a diverse and false people of a certain new sect . . they do make and write books. They do wickedly instruct and inform people and commit subversion of the catholic faith.'

Many Lollards were burnt, starting with William Sawtrey in 1401.

The burning of William Sawtre.



But it seemed as if the decision to burn Lollards only strengthened their resolve, and increased the demand for Wycliffe's translation of the Bible. In 1390 a more readable translation, called the Lollard Bible quickly became popular, but this too

Lambeth

Lollard

tower.

Palace and

was soon banned. The so-called Lollard towers, built as prisons and torture chambers, were established in many of the towns and cities of England. Lambeth Palace, home of the bishop of London, had a tower famous for its imprisonment and torture of Lollards.



Executions of Lollards were carried out in Lollard Pits. Here, watched by crowds –

sometimes sympathetic, sometimes hostile – men and women were imprisoned and/or burnt in large numbers between 1401 and about 1430.

Anyone accused of possessing translations of the Bible, or selling them, or preaching doctrines opposed to the Catholic Church, was cast into prison, put on trial and offered every opportunity to deny their belief and return to the authority of the Roman Catholic Church. Many did recant, and deny their new found faith. Many did not.

And of those who recanted, some then went back on their word, took up the cause again, were hunted down, arrested and brought swiftly to the stake.

For a long time priests had not been popular in England. The upsurge of opposition to Rome led by Wycliffe and the Lollards encouraged this feeling. The Church and State sensed insurrection and rebellion. The fires burnt brighter across England as more and more Lollards were brought to trial. Only John Wycliffe seemed immune to prosecution. He was protected by a number of powerful warlords, notably John of Gaunt, one time regent to the English crown. The more the campaign against Wycliffe intensified, the more he declared his belief that the word of God as found in the Bible was the sole authority for the teaching and doctrine of the Church.

After Wycliffe's death in 1384 the fight went on for the Bible to be made freely available throughout England and Wales. By the reign of Henry V in 1412 there seemed to be no let up in the battle between Lollards and the Catholic Church. Famously, a knight from the Welsh Borders, Sir John Oldcastle declared his belief in Lollard teachings. Oldcastle was described as one of the most trusted warriors and servants of Henry V. He said that he would submit all his worldly fortune to the king, but he could not deny his faith. When a warrant went out for Oldcastle's arrest, the king tried hard to get the warrant revoked. However, Oldcastle eventually rose in open rebellion against the Church and crown. He was captured in Wales, where the Lollard revival was particularly strong, taken to London, and hanged and burnt in St Giles fields on the 14<sup>th</sup> December 1417.

In 1428, John Wycliffe's bones were dug up from his grave in Lutterworth, Leicestershire. He was formally tried, condemned as a heretic, hung and then burnt. His ashes were scattered in the River Swift. That seemed to be the end of the Lollard Movement, and the wrecking of any demand for an English translation of the Bible.

But within a few decades the movement reemerged. It had merely retreated to the hills and dales of the Cotswolds, the West Country, the Midlands and Wales as well as Norfolk. The trials of Lollards began anew. By the time of Henry VIII in the Sixteenth Century the burnings were underway once more. This time

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there were two new elements in the struggle: a Bible translator called William Tyndale, and the arrival of the printing press from Gutenberg in Germany.

But the overall pattern, started over a hundred years ago, was being repeated: simple folk, artisans, weavers, farmers and merchants were demanding access to the Bible in their own written language. An isolated scholar was taking up that challenge. He in turn, like Wycliffe before him, was supported by people close to the centre of royal power. Anne Boleyn, future Queen of England, was among them. And now the cause of Lollardy was being swept up, if not overtaken by the religious and political revolution unleashed by Martin Luther in Southern Germany.

Wycliffe was a great preacher. Tyndale was a far greater translator. His New Testament translation was an instant best seller. His success would condemn him, and he knew it. Two men, Bishop Tunstall of London, and Thomas More, Chancellor of England, made it their life's work to turn back this recurring threat to the Catholic Church. Thomas More was a fierce persecutor of Lollards and 'Protestant Reformers'. He set out to find Tyndale and destroy him. But he could not stop the flood of Bibles pouring into England from the Low Countries of continental Europe. The printing presses of Cologne, Paris, Worms, Ghent and Antwerp turned out translation after translation. Merchant ships and fishing boats brought them in their thousands to the English ports of Gravesend, Tilbury, Dover, Yarmouth and Portsmouth. A four penny New Testament now sold for nine shillings.

Though the ecclesiastical intelligence services were both efficient and ruthless they could not stop this latest storm of activity. Printers and publishers were arrested by the score. Even doctors were burnt. Priests too were burnt, declaring strongly their faith in a new baptism. Massed burnings of Bibles took place in the public marketplaces of the city, but for every Bible burnt, more seemed to appear. What had flowed out of England over a century before was now streaming back the other way from Germany, Bohemia, the Netherlands, Flanders and Northern France. There was a renewed fervour to see the Gospel as God had revealed it, and not as man had devised it. And in the midst of this vortex Thomas More waged a war of words with William Tyndale. More was desperate to portray Tyndale as a heretic worthy of no more than death at the stake. Tyndale on the other hand was convinced of the righteousness of his cause, determined to see an English Bible in the hands of any Englishman or woman who wanted one.

The death toll rose steadily through the 1530's and into the 1540's. Some died swiftly in the flames. Others took upwards of thirty to forty minutes. If the wind blew the flames

away from the stake the suffering was prolonged to unimaginable lengths. Only if the executioner had the merest trace of mercy would he strike the shackles that bound a Lollard to the stake and let him pitch forward into the flames.

When Bilney, a noted scholar and friend of Tyndale was led to the stake, the authorities were eager for him to cry out a recantation, so that they could say that the flames that burnt him took the place of purgatory for his soul. But to their disappointment, all he would do was to call out: 'Jesus!' and 'Credo!' ('I believe!')

Anne Askew, a young Lincolnshire woman of gentle birth recorded in a series of letters her suffering at the hands of torturers in a London prison before she was burnt for heresy, and 'gospelling' at the age of twenty six. The execution took place at Smithfield in July of 1546. Three other so-called heretics, all men, were burnt alongside her. She had been so badly tortured that she had to be carried to the scaffold in a chair. In many ways she represents the sort of courage shown by those who died during the persecutions of the 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> centuries. Despite being so badly wracked by the king's torturers that she fainted with pain, she recovered to say that she would rather die than renounce her faith. Kingston, the constable of the Tower, was so moved that he refused to carry on with the torture, and the process was taken over by Cromwell, Henry VIII's new Chancellor.

Tyndale himself was executed in the same year, garroted and burnt at Vilvoorde in Flanders. According to legend, his last words were: 'Lord, open the eyes of the English king!'

It cannot be said with certainty that any of the Lollards were born again. The indications are that at least some of them may well have been - but there is no specific evidence beyond that noted above. What we do know is that they died for a book that today seems valued well below the price that the Lollards and their Protestant allies put on it. What is discarded today, or simply ignored, was freely died for during the Tudor Age. And that even before Tyndale's epic translation achieved its final resolution in the King James Bible of 1611.

We have inherited the Bible in our own language because of a display of conviction and belief that seems to me to be in part at least 'God breathed'. Without God, no storm could have blown out of England in those last decades of the fourteenth century. Without God there could have been no 'second breath' when Tyndale put pen to paper and the winds

of change blew back across Europe.

God wrote the Book of Fire, men translated it. It's up to us to keep it burning in our souls.

Ps Warren Sharrock

### Heard from the platform:

- There is nothing better than the gift of the Spirit whereby we can know and understand God.
- Jesus didn't want His disciples to see physical things as important.
- God sees our hearts and what He wants to see there, is goodness.
- We don't want to hear the ideas of the world; we want the world to hear our ideas.
- A positive attitude makes a huge difference.
- The Bible is a book of consequences; "What you sow is what you reap".
- Seeing and knowing the correctness, mercy and passion of God, is to love God.
- The Lord will come for us as promised.
- God wants us to be different and we do this by putting what we read in the Bible into practice.
- We cannot love the world and the ways of the world, AND love God at the same time.
- The smart way to live is to listen to God!
- The purpose of the Bible is for us to remain in the joy of the Lord.
- When was the last time you did something for the first time?
- Personal growth does not happen in your comfort zone, it happens outside of what you are already comfortable with.
- Do we mainly mix with people we are comfortable with, or do we recognise talents in others as well, and learn to work with everybody?
- Always have a leaflet in your pocket, there are many stories of old leaflets being found and people coming to the Lord, sometimes years later.
- A good sailor always gets to where he wants to go no matter which way the wind is blowing.
- Attitude is far more important than ability, the right attitude unlocks abilities.
- When we talk to people, we start off with the assumption that they want to do the right thing.
- The Holy Spirit is the only thing you will ever really own, it's a gift from God, forever.
- When a problem gets from scary to exiting, we have the victory.
- God never forces the issue, he issues the force.
- Getting in a rut is easy, getting out is difficult.



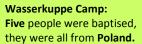
# **Revival Across Europe**











Czech Republic:
One person was baptised.

Hungary:
One person was baptised.

**Five** people were baptised.

UK Camp in Bath
Three were baptised.





































# Euro Summer Camp in Wasserkuppe, Germany













































# The Revival Fellowship in:



Congratulations to Ron and Ashley who were married on the 16<sup>th</sup>

### Dordrecht

Hello everyone. We have had a wonderful month which began with our summer camp in

Germany and ended with an evening of items. During the items evening, Ronald gave a short presentation about his family's trip to Bali where they spent time with the saints and the children attended the Kids camp. Three brothers gave short talks on another Saturday night. Marcel spoke about how being at meetings and praying builds us up. We must walk in the Spirit and allow God to work freely in our lives. Romans 8:7 -8. Allan spoke about how God doesn't want us to be unfruitful in the knowledge of Christ. We get to know God by reading our Bible. II Peter 1:5-8. Finally, Michel spoke about how it is

possible for us to live 'happily ever after' when we remain trusting in God, knowing that through Him we are strong. *John 5:39.* We also enjoyed a video about God's marvellous and beautiful creation.

### Rotterdam

Praise the Lord, another great month has passed. After returning from camp, tired but very much exhorted in the things of the Lord, the brethren got straight back into what we do best. We are glad to report that the gospel was preached faithfully and many people heard the message of salvation at either one of the

# UK Summer Camp in Bath, England













































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meetings or one of the many outreaches and general witnessing of the saints. We are also glad to report that some of the people we have witnessed to, have been obedient to the Word of God and were baptised in water and Spirit. This month the Saturday activities included a mini-talk evening. Tony encouraged us to stay saved. He used the testimony of the apostle Paul



who after being stoned, stood back up and continued preaching. Tony, who comes from Iraq, has seen stoning and explained that it is not a sight to behold. The fact that Paul stood up and got going straight away is a testimony to follow. No matter the tribulation we face, we can stand on the promises of God and get on with the work of preaching the gospel. Acts

> 14:19. Marciano talked about "the Spirit is truly willing, but the flesh is weak". The example used was of Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane, Mark 14:38. Jesus told his friends to watch, but on two occasions they fell asleep. We need to stay alert as temptation is always there. Don't let doubt in, but rather keep ourselves built up, so

that we can overcome straight away. Frank spoke about how a parent wants their child to do their best at school. This is what God expects from us. Titus 2:14. Commit to the work of God and be zealous. At school, we have a bag full of things we need. We have been equipped with all we need through the Holy Spirit and now we just need to apply it ourselves. God confirms this; when we preach the gospel signs follow.

On the following Saturday evening there was a presentation by Pastor Graeme on the 144,000 mentioned in Revelations. He and his wife Maureen visited us after camp. It was wonderful that they had the time to do this and we all appreciated it very much. To keep

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the camp theme going this month, we had an evening with testimonies, songs, skits and a short talk. The theme was "Confirmation in Progress", *Mark 16:15-20*. All the items had this theme running through them. It was a great evening and of course there was supper! Brethren, keep the faith for He is faithful Who has promised.

#### Almere,

Dear brethren, greetings from Almere. Straight after camp people came to the Lord: in total six people were born again this month. One of them was the daughter of our brother Steven. She had received the Holy Spirit three years ago but was prevented from being baptised by her mother. But this month she was certain she wanted to be baptised. Praise the Lord!

We enjoyed an evening of short talks: **Steven** spoke about how we are not living in uncertainty, but have a real hope, *Romans 6:3-5*. **Frenk** spoke about filling your new life with new things and not taking along our old life, *Galatians 5:16*, as the Sprit and world cannot be together. **Solomon** gave a presentation about his visit to the Pan-Africa rally in Kenya with his wife Elfi and Maarten. Some marvellous testimonies were brought to us from our brothers and sisters there

We had a lot of fun during the evening of items.



Several songs and one skit were performed by the brothers and sisters in Almere and guests from Rotterdam.

We enjoy being busy in the Lord with all the work that there is to be done! God Bless!

### Czech Republic

What a great month of visiting saints and visitors to our fellowship events! The first highlight was the Euro Summer Camp, and almost all Czechs attended. A wonderful, uplifting time was had by all, and we left camp with our spiritual batteries recharged, Pastor Graeme and Maureen (from Adelaide) visited after camp and Pastor Graeme gave a very informative presentation on Revelations chapter seven, exposing the Jehovah Witnesses' beliefs. We also had a questions and answers evening with them both during the week. Other visitors this month included: Michael, Fre and Peter (Australia): Tom, Jana and kids (Dublin); and we said goodbye to Tom and Robyn Nobel who were a part of the Czech Fellowship for four months. It was great to hear all of the talks by our visiting brothers. We also had a baptism this month, Martin, who made the decision to do so at his second meeting. In the middle of the month, we had a morning outreach and a chicken bbq in the afternoon at the Treml's house (with a record attendance by visitors). There were eight visitors in total, which really created a busy hive of witnessing! We were on the job for the whole day - the best way to spend a day!

We finished the month off with the "Latter Day Rain" video from Papua New Guinea, which was moving and inspiring. The following day we had three new people at the meeting - one was from an outreach, and the others were Dutch contacts of the Valkema family. We hope to see them again.

#### Hungary

Greetings from Hungary. August is traditionally a time when everything shuts down in Hungary as everyone is on holiday. Not so with the work of the Lord, as this was another exciting month for us all.

The month started with 57 saints travelling from Hungary and being part of another fantastic camp in Germany. A brilliant camp and we thank all those involved for their hard work.

The following weekend we had a weekend of personal witnessing where we went to friends, neighbours, colleagues etc. or invited them to our own homes to talk to them about the things of the Lord. We have tried this a few times now and it is a great time to talk to those you might not otherwise find the time to do so.

On August 20th we went to Margit Island and



held a number of activities for children allowing us to talk to the parents about the salvation

message

The final week saw us hold a camp for the children, which in Hungary's case means a big camp! Everyone had a great time of learning just



before returning to school. This is very useful for the children to help prepare them to be a great testimony for the Lord once back at school. As always it turned out that the helpers were also able to learn from the children.

The saints were out every week witnessing to the people of Budapest and many visitors came and heard the Word of God.

We are looking forward to another great month next month.

God bless, the Hungarian saints.

#### Ireland, Dublin

Greetings from Dublin. We have had a reasonably quiet month. During the month, we have had a couple of teenage sisters come along to a few meetings. They are friends of a lady who

has attended our house meetings. They are encouraged by the things they see and hear and continue to come along to the meetings. We also continue to outreach in the local area. Towards the end of the month, the O'Briens went to Czech for a visit prior to the UK Summer Camp. One week later, most of us went over to the UK for Summer camp. Beblinn also took the opportunity to bring her friend along to camp. It was such a fantastic week. During camp, Anthony hurt his ankle whilst playing football, but immediately his team mates laid hands on him and prayed. By the next evening he was healed! Praise The Lord. Just a reminder of how wonderful it is to be part of this family of God! We all had a really uplifting time and there was plenty to talk about upon our return. We will now begin to prepare for our own camp in October!

#### UK, Medway

Greetings from Medway after a jam packed August full of fellowship and camps! The month began with a presentation by Ps Steve called "Does John the Baptist Have Three Heads?" and it was about (mainly) Catholic relics and, as the title suggests, how there are many claims by many people all over the world to have various bits & pieces of bodies, ranging from John the Baptist to Mary to Jesus himself. We had the pleasure of welcoming Matthew, Edina and family from Hungary for a weekend too and had an impromptu BBQ after the Sunday meeting. The following Saturday was a fantastic night at the hall. It was Bring a Psalm night where we chose a Psalm and shared it with everyone, explaining why it meant so much and how it had featured in our walks. We also had the lovely news that our Lauren from Medway became engaged to Dan from North London so there's much excitement and planning to be done there! Finally, the month ended with a brilliant week at Bath Camp – a baptism and infilling of the Holy Spirit for Abbey from Medway - so many visitors and testimonies and great fellowship to encourage us to do things, "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit", saith the Lord of hosts. Hot off the press: Abbey's sister Jessie received the Holy Spirit at camp.

Ta, Steve

#### **UK, North London**

As well as enjoying a wonderful camp, August was also a month where we saw many visitors from various assemblies and new folk at most of the meetings. We had one baptism. Recently, we have been using the hall for Friday night activities, including talks on the last few chapters of the Book of Revelation. The Assembly went to



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a local country park for a sunny Saturday walk and fellowship, which was attended by two new people.



UK, West London During the month three gentlemen were baptised and received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues. Separately an elderly

lady, with a

strong catholic background, also received the Holy Spirit over the bank holiday weekend at one of the "last days" questions and answers presentations given by Pastor Graeme visiting with Maureen.

The month started off with a fun activity: a garden party at the Togotu's to which a neighbour and her daughter were invited to. Both neighbour and a friend that tagged along got a good witness to by the saints. As ever, lots of yummie food, to feast on!

A fellowship outreach was held mid month followed by a mini talks evening on the theme: "priceless words, priceless acts".

We received a number of visitors from Adelaide namely: Carol, Sid and Jill, Pastor Graeme and

Maureen as well as Peter and Caroline from Darwin.

Following summer camp, the month ended with a bank holiday presentation given by Pastor Graeme. An opportunity for seven visitors, that came in, to hear God's promises concerning last days prophecies.

#### Switzerland

Dear brethren, at the first meeting after summer camp we had three people walking into the meeting. One lady received the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues. She was later baptised, praise the Lord. Our new sister, Mercedes, lives in Madrid and only speaks Spanish and a few words of German. We had an interesting time as brother Alberto translated for her into Portuguese, which is similar to Spanish, while he himself received French translation! Somehow it worked, as things always do in the Lord, Please pray for our new sister as she had to go back to Spain. Follow up is organised through our oversight in Europe and Australia. There was another contact from an outreach who visited us at a Saturday night basics evening. We had prayer together and she

received the Holy Spirit. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness!

After camp we had a few saints visiting and had Pastor Graeme and Maureen visit for a few days.

Thanks to all for coming and the great time

Thanks to all for coming and the great time spent together in the unity of the Holy Ghost. All joined us in outreaching and other activities. On another Saturday, we had a 'Focus' evening. We heard about "why we do what we do in the Revival Fellowship". We have guidelines

according to the Bible and an ever growing experience in our fellowship, praise the Lord. It is a big privilege to be part of an Acts 2 Church.
And as we heard in a talk: "We never retire in the Lord." This is

significant for our fellowship. We are always growing, learning and overcoming with God's love and power and want to bring others in to do the same.

Greetings to you all, from the Swiss brethren.

#### Pan-African Rally

Our trip to Kenya was exciting as we experienced a completely different culture. Pastor Sammy, his wife Christine and two brothers welcomed us on our arrival at Nairobi airport. We had no time to rest as an eight hour bus trip to Mombasa awaited us. We arrived at a hotel in Mombasa and after a shower and breakfast, we went to the Sunday meeting in Changamwe, a suburb on the outskirts of Mombasa. We really enjoyed the singing. From Monday to Friday, we explored Mombasa and went outreaching and followingup under the guidance of brother Ben. Two people were born again after being baptised in the sea and receiving the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues. From Saturday to Monday, we stayed in Makindu, where we joined 300 brothers and sisters from throughout Kenya for the rally. On Sunday, John, Gladys and Sarah from England joined us. We listened to good talks about overcoming and walking in

newness of life. We enjoyed lively singing, great testimonies, football and volleyball matches and good fresh food. It was a great trip and one which we will remember.

Solomon, Elfi and Maarten





# **Testimonies**



I was brought up in the fellowship as my parents are born again. I would listen to parts of talks and knew I had to be born again. I didn't understand everything but knew this is what I had to do. I always used to pray and get healed by the Lord when I needed it. When I was six, I prayed and received the Holy Spirit. I was then baptised and started my walk with the

Lord. I have had lots of protection and healings. I fell from a tree and had to wear a cast on my hand but after I prayed the cast was taken off. I used to suffer from asthma as both of my lungs did not work properly. I was admitted to hospital for treatment for some weeks. The fellowship prayed and after one week I could go home as my lungs had recovered and since then, I haven't had any more asthma attacks. I love coming to camps as they are so uplifting and strengthening.

Nathan, Hungary



I was born again in 2009, although I had received the Holy Spirit in 2005. I was living together with my boyfriend at the time which I found hypocritical. I would pray in tongues when I needed God to do something for me and was doing things in my own strength. In 2008, my brother and sister-in-law were born again

and I saw the positive change it brought about in their lives. I decided to be baptised; which is when my life with God began. I got married and our relationship has greatly improved. Everything in my life has changed. I no longer have to do things in my own strength. God has provided for our needs. I was healed during my pregnancy when I began having severe stomach cramps. I didn't want to go to the hospital so I prayed and the pains instantly stopped. I am happy to know the truth and am no longer caught up in the confusion of this world and its religion. I can reach out to people who are open to the Word of God.

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