

Revival Fellowship Europe

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Fri 24 Dec 2010 — Sat 1 Jan 2011

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Winter Camp, in the UK

Sat 25 Dec 2010 — Sat 1 Jan 2011

Lancaster, NW England

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Wed 20 — Sun 24 April 2011

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Summer Camp, in the UK

Mon 22 — Sun 28 August 2011 (Changed!)

Bath, UK (close to Bristol).

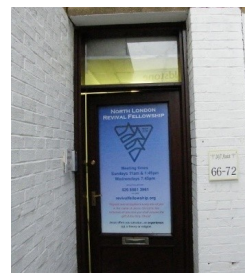
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Have fun,

Piet Visser



I believe the state of permanence is a positive factor for Revival.

The dictionary says for permanence: *'the condition or quality of being permanent; perpetual or continued existence'*.

We see here that permanence is not only a condition but also a quality.

Thinking back to 1990, when Netty and I came to Holland, I remember a conversation with one of the saints. At the time we just got going, had our first camp (all 9 of us) and the question was asked what our personal plans were and when we would go back to Australia.

In August of that year we had a visit from Pastor John and Janet and all of us attended the UK camp.

During that camp, Pastor John also asked me the same question.

Just to put you further in the picture, we came initially with a return plane ticket in our possession and the idea 'let's go for a year and see what happens'.

During that first year it became clear that the fact that we had a return ticket, lived in a hired apartment and had our meetings in that same apartment, created a reluctance by people we witnessed to, to commit themselves to what we were trying to achieve.

I discovered a fear that we would leave at the end of the year and leave them to fend for themselves.

It was only after we decided 'this is the place we will stay for the rest of our lives', that revival really got going.

There were two reasons for this.

The people already in the fellowship gained confidence and people contemplating becoming part of us found their decision easier.

As most fellowships, we started with meetings in our house/apartment, moved to a bigger house, grew there to about 50 and moved our Sunday meetings to a hired school location.

It was in 1995, when we got our own hall, that the permanence of our fellowship became obvious and the Revival blossomed more and more.

As seen in this report, we have now secured halls in North and West London. This will have a considerable impact on Revival, all other things being equal.

In the present world, there is very little security and permanence.

Just recently we have had a good influx of people who are around 20 year old. When you talk to these new folks it is totally amazing to find out what they have

already been through. Child abuse, maltreatment and violence are rife.

Just recently we have had a good influx of people who are around 20 years old. Many have gone through more terrible things than us oldies in a whole lifetime. Praise the Lord for *Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.*

This is where we can and should help. This is where permanence counts for a lot.

Now, looking from a financial point, it seems a foolish thing indeed to go deeply into debt for a place which is only used a few times a week for a few hours. Sometimes you can find a place with dual use, meetings and living space and you can partly offset the financial burden by having rent coming in from a live-in 'caretaker' (couple?).

Apart from helping financially, these people can also have a great impact on this quality of permanence.

There is however a strong commitment needed from these people because they seem to be always needed by someone to do something.

So, what is it that moves people to give up their (private) life and become totally committed to this cause?

For a start, they themselves will be unaware of any 'sacrifice'.

For them it is totally normal to 'give up' their own life and become a servant to their (potential) brothers and sisters. They are also, often without being aware of this, a great source of confidence for others.

So, many people follow in the 'footsteps' of the great Bible examples, Jesus himself being the greatest.

The apostle Paul writes:

Galatians 6:2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.
Acts 20:35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Summing up:

So, there are perhaps different levels of commitment in a practical way, but the underlying principle is always the same. If we see giving up our personal life as a sacrifice we have missed the most

important point of the Gospel.

If we can see through the eyes of Jesus and the other great Bible examples, we will see it as a privilege to be a positive force in this quality of permanence.

The impact of giving confidence to others through our actions is greater than we can possibly imagine.

All of this will create a permanence in our fellowship which will make it easier for new people to commit themselves as well.

Mark 9:50 Salt [is] good: but if the salt have lost his saltness, wherewith will ye season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace one with another.

Have fun, Piet Visser



Heard from the platform

- Jesus didn't teach rules but principles.
- If we want to remain standing, it is important that our foundation is strong and correct.
- When we are born again, we don't only realise what God can do for us, but what we can do for God.
- The more we bring God into our lives, the more we will see Him working in our lives.
- We shouldn't forget that in the world we had no hope!
- Teach our children to put their hope in God.
- What we have received freely from God, we should give freely to others.
- When we get the chance to speak, we should not be afraid to speak.
- Are we willing to do everything God asks of us?
- To give our life to God is enjoyment.
- If someone has never lied to you; you can trust them. God has never lied to us!
- When you worry you are not happy, so stop worrying, trust and be happy.
- In Christ we don't have to blindly try to hit the mark but can go about our walk, focused and hitting the mark precisely every time.

Revival Across Europe, baptisms



Suzanne, Rotterdam NL



Elio, Rotterdam NL



Sharda, Rotterdam NL



Omayya, Rotterdam NL



Ruben, Dordrecht NL



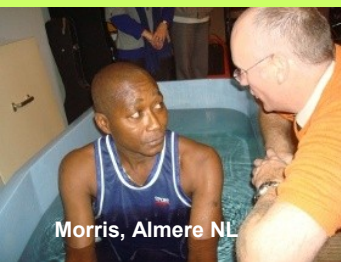
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Cornelia, Almere NL



Jessica, Almere NL



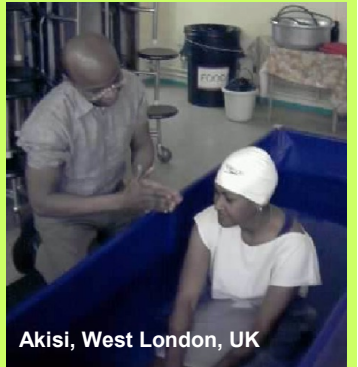
Morris, Almere NL



Cherno, Dordrecht NL



Mala, Suriname



Akisi, West London, UK



Baptism, Czech Republic



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The Netherlands, thirteen people were born again.

Czech Republic, three people were born again.

Hungary, one person was born again.

UK, North West, one person was born again.

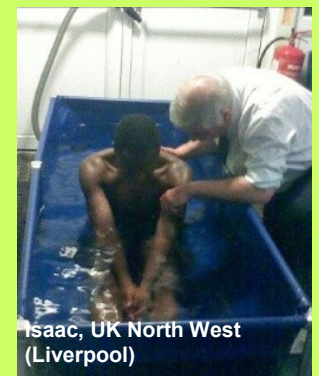
UK, West London, one person was born again.

Suriname, one person was born again.

Ghana, ten people were baptised when Pastor Ron and brother Jan Pieter were there.



Zoltán, Hungary



Isaac, UK North West (Liverpool)

The Revival Fellowship in:

Dordrecht, NL

We had an eventful month with plenty of activities taking place. This included a prayer and fast weekend and a Saturday night fellowship, where three young brothers gave short talks.

Haimy told the story of Gideon whose army of 300 defeated the Midianites. In faith, Gideon departed for battle with so little. It was a true victory for God. *Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. Prov 3:5.*

Ron spoke of the importance to give thanks to God for all that He does in our lives, which is often more than we realise. *And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body: and be ye thankful. Col 3:15.*

It is good to set time apart to thank God for all He does.

Jamie spoke about how we should grow and go forward. When difficulties arise do we do things our own way (stop) or do we look to God (go forward)?

No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. Lk 9:62.

We are faced with challenges, but always remain a good testimony. We ended our month with a



dinner night with an African theme. During the night we enjoyed items and a short

presentation from Jan-Pieter about his recent trip to Ghana.

Rotterdam, NL

We had a good month in Rotterdam, starting with short talks. We also had a presentation

on 'How great is God?', a prayer and fast and ended the month with a Mexican dinner night. At the prayer and fast we had a baptism and it was really an edifying time to have the three

Dutch assemblies coming together seeking the Lord in prayer and thankfulness.

The dinner night was a great success with visitors and one lady, Suzanne, was



baptised after receiving the Holy Spirit. Cees and Ineke are still in the Dutch Antilles and Cheryl has joined them as she is visiting family there. It is a great opportunity to speak to people she knows there for the glory of God. Keep them all in your prayers please.

Short Talks:

Angelo shared a great parable of a work colleague going to a pet shop. While there, Angelo was admiring the piranhas (not your everyday pet fish) when the shopkeeper threw a goldfish in the tank, nothing happened and the goldfish just swam around happily. All of a sudden the piranhas attacked and there was no more gold fish. He compared it to us. If we go into the world it may all seem to be okay, but then without warning, we can be totally destroyed and our walk with God is over. So don't venture out into strange waters, stay close to the Lord and His work, thus avoiding missing out on eternal life.

Frank spoke about keeping ourselves separate from this world as our testimony speaks volumes. A colleague of Frank's attended a meeting in Dordrecht and said that all we did was quote the bible. Frank thought this was great, proving again how important it is to stick to God's word and live it.

Marten spoke about how we can truly walk by faith. His wife Cindy, was diagnosed with high blood pressure plus some other complications during her pregnancy (see testimony below). They prayed and trusted in God and not in anyone else. Without God's help she and the baby may not have survived.

Almere, NL

We are happy to tell you that the word of God is spreading in this part of the world as well. Two of the people who were born again this month came after a big outreach on the 13th of November. We thank the brothers and sisters from Dordrecht and Rotterdam for their support that day, which had a great result! There is nothing better than seeing people being saved.

We had nice activities on the Saturday nights including short talks from Maarten, Sven and Jaap, presentations, and a dinner night.

One family attended the dinner night with the theme 'All over the World'.



They really enjoyed all the international food, testimonies and items. The mother and son were baptised the next Sunday in Rotterdam as that is where they live.



Czech Republic

November was a great month. Three baptisms! The first man was Karel, who heard the gospel last month during a Czech Camp outreach. He attended two meetings and then got baptised at a Saturday activity. He received the Holy Spirit at the following Wednesday night meeting. He's very happy and is praying for new work which will allow him to attend more meetings. Then a Slovakian couple heard the gospel during a regular Saturday outreach. The girl had prayed the night before for God to show her the way! She saw us handing out pamphlets and hunted us down. They talked with us about God for about five hours in the hall, returned for the Saturday activity and got baptised.

Our activities this month included a Wednesday night presentation by Dan about Modern Israel and Bible Prophecy, a Saturday Dinner Night (featuring all male chefs!) and a Prayer and Fast with talks by Lada, Tomas and Pastor Olda. We had another 3 visitors at the meetings this month.



Also sister Helena was healed of a fast-beating heart which she had had for three months.

Hungary

We began the month of November with a prayer and fast weekend.



Topics such as the need to change through using the power of the Holy Spirit, how we can

build for the kingdom of heaven, how to walk in the spirit, how God is righteous and how to become righteous and become like Him and, finally, how we need to finish the job that God has given us to do with all our lives. We then held a healing night where brethren gave testimonies of amazing miracles that had happened in their lives. With medical documents we were shown how brethren had been suffering from all sort of problems, and through prayer, faith and the power of God they had been healed.

The final weekend we held an 'invite your neighbour' weekend where many guests went to brethren's houses and heard about the works of the Lord.

Ireland

The month of November has been a busy time. We went outreaching in the vicinity of the hall and spoke to the local people about the Lord. We followed this particular outreach with some food together and then

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had a Testimony Evening with the saints in France via Skype. We heard about testimonies of Healing, Protection and Deliverance. One sister spoke about how she had arthritis in her hand, she experienced a lot of pain and couldn't move it; she just trusted and believed that God would not leave her this way and she was healed. We heard of how the Lord delivered a brother of alcohol addiction. It was a fantastic time of encouragement and faith building.

The following weekend we had an evening of Prayer & Psalms. We each chose a Psalm to read aloud to one another and then share what we got from it. In particular this reminded us to just praise and thank God for all He has done and continues to do.

Towards the end of the month we also had a Prayer & Fast, connected via the net, with Medway.

During this Prayer & Fast we put the needs of a little 8 years old autistic boy called Johnston to the Lord. The next day, Sunday, we came together at the meeting and there was a visible difference in Johnston's behaviour! It's really amazing and we know the Lord will perform a mighty miracle here. God Bless and safe travels during these snow filled times!

Switzerland

We had great joy spreading the word of God this month. A man walked in from the street who had been witnessed to shortly after our hall opening in June. He stayed for both Sunday meetings and enjoyed the truth and the company of saints. We'll keep you posted.

Then we had a prayer and fast weekend connected with the Dutch assembly via the net.

At the end of the month Solomon, Elfi and Viola from the Dutch assembly visited us. It was a nice week of fellowship and outreaching together and everyone had a great time. Sister Margret, the mother of Aba, came as well during this time. Thanks all for coming and sharing in the things of the Lord.

That's all for now. Greetings to you all from the Swiss saints and many of you....see you at Wasserkuppe!

UK, North West

Greetings to you from the North West. It has been another good month this month and it started off well with the baptism of Isaac. He is from Liberia and has an amazing story to tell. He even has a connection with the assembly in Holland. It's amazing how things happen at times. After hearing the gospel faithfully preached at a Thursday night outreach, he took a leaflet and decided to 'check us out'. He went to see his brother and showed him our leaflet and then they looked up our website. It was then that his brother realised that he knew someone (but we don't know who) in the Holland assembly and assured Isaac we were OK. All that and he lives just five minutes from the hall too! Needless to say, Isaac received the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues, when being

prayed for in his own home and was baptised the following day at the Wednesday meeting in Liverpool. Another highlight from the month was our Combined Prayer & Fast with the Yorkshire assembly. Our theme was 'Signs, Wonders & Miracles'. We always say this, but again, it proved to be the best Prayer & Fast ever. Until the next one that is! Plus, Denis came up for a few days in preparation of his and his family's imminent move to Liverpool. The Lord provided him a job, and a place to stay is in progress. We are all very much looking forward to having them come and support the work here in the North West. Whilst he was here, he also ran a little meeting in Dudley in Birmingham, which is brand new territory for the fellowship. We expect good things to come from that too. Overall, it's good stuff.

UK, West London

Richmond (*now West London Revival Fellowship*) has had a very busy and exciting month. After a year of negotiations, waiting, praying and more praying, we finally obtained the keys to our new hall.

We have been holding our meetings and other fellowship activities at a school in Richmond for the past seven years. We experienced revival and saw the fellowship established there, however, it was time to move on for one reason or another.

Our new hall is in a nearby suburb called Hounslow which is a very busy area with a great variety of cultures; the majority of our revival originates from this area. The hall is right at the end of the High Street, has easy access and provides for all our needs and more. It needs some work, though nothing major and we should move there in the month of January. It is a great blessing from the Lord and we expect great revival to come.

We also had a baptism, a Fijian lady called Akisi. After attending a couple of meetings, Akisi finally decided to get baptised by full immersion and received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues at a Wednesday night meeting. She was very excited and we hope to see her hold on to her new found hope.



Mini convention in Richmond (now West London Revival Fellowship)

The annual November European pastors/leaders and wives meeting was hosted in Richmond. It was a very busy weekend, packed with great fellowship. On the Friday evening, we had a catch up fellowship meal at a beautiful setting in Hampton Court. On the Saturday evening, we had a mini convention with talks from pastors with some items and testimonies. Brothers and sisters from Poole (Yorkshire), Medway and Stanmore came down for the

Saturday night and Sunday meeting. It was good for the saints to get together. It is always positive to have joint activities with brothers and sisters from other fellowships as it is a great opportunity for new ones to see the great work they have come into and for established saints to consolidate the unity with all.

The mercies of the Lord are many and all praise is due him.

UK, North London

November has been 'Hall Month'. There has been lots of work going on and many plumbers, builders and electricians coming and going. The Saints have been enjoying great fellowship as they clean, mend, put shelves up, replace glass, move carpet tiles and scrub chairs. The Lord has been truly providing and blessing us with lots of free donations too. We said a final farewell to our old school hall the 5th of December and look forward to our first Sunday meeting at our new hall and first real home on the 12th. It has really come home to us how important it is for us to be a real presence in a local area. We are very excited at the prospect of putting the Revival Fellowship and, more importantly, the Truth, on the map in Wealdstone. It is not the most upmarket surroundings, but as Nehemiah might have said we can do a job clearing away the rubbish and rebuilding and enjoying a revival, so that people may say that 'this work was wrought of God'.

UK, Medway

This month began with a fellowship fancy dress get together to mark Lauren's 18th birthday – we had many visitors from Stanmore, Richmond and the North West



Aileen, Gijs & Julius in Medway

The Murphy's

Assemblies all keen to show up as their favourite characters.

The following weekend we had the pleasure of the company of Ps Bert, Klaasje, Aileen, Julius & Gijs – there was Open House at Carol's and we had a great evening of fellowship, testimonies and food! We spent an evening at the Hall watching a talk given by Ps Paul Noble and finally this weekend we shared a fantastic day with the Irish Saints via Skype for the Prayer & Fast. We're very much looking forward to the winter camps which are just around the corner now – so until then... bye for now!

UK, Yorkshire

God is doing some great things in our part of the work. Geoff, a work colleague, was working in a water reservoir where deer come to drink and was bitten on the leg by a tick-like insect. The bite soon

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became a large red mark and was very painful. Within a few days his whole leg became infected. Doctors gave him antibiotics, but that did not work, they then tried injecting him with cortisone – no effect. Lastly he was put on steroids, which were having serious side effects, and not working either. He told me all this on a Friday, I told him what we believe and offered to pray at the meeting. By the Monday he was completely healed and admits that it was a miracle.

Pastor Bob Hutton, pulled a muscle in his right leg about a month ago and was in a lot of pain. The 40 minute drive to the combined prayer and fast in Manchester, two weeks ago, was absolute agony. He did not actually pray for it at the meeting but on the way home he realised that it was completely healed.

Regards from all the saints in Yorkshire.

Suriname

After arriving in Suriname, it became immediately clear that our priority had to be creating structure in the meetings.

We now hold complete meetings as is described in 1Cor 14.

We have had visitors at the meetings



Suriname

including family members and a Navy corporal. The sister-in-law of Hortence, Mala, is born again.

We have found a place in a shopping centre where we are able to outreach regularly. Initially we were not given permission to outreach there but when we explained that the

word of God must not be stopped from going out we received permission from the security and may even outreach inside the mall.

Since arriving we have had three more people being born again and another three received the Holy Spirit.

We ask you to pray for us so that the word of God can go out to where it is needed.

Ghana

Pastor Ron and I visited Ghana for ten days this month as we wanted to follow-up a church group that was visited by Viola, Marten and Cindy from Holland, about half a year ago. This was in Kumasi, a city of about two million inhabitants.

During the six days we spent with them, we had three meetings and a lot of discussions, mainly with the leader Samuel to explain the scriptures. The bible was opened many times and Samuel could see for himself what the scriptures say about these things.

After the Sunday meeting, six people that had already been baptised by Marten, received the Holy Spirit and six others were baptised and received the Spirit. On Tuesday we baptised two young men, Eric and Jonathan, whom we had spoken to on the previous Saturday. Both of them received the Holy Spirit after baptism.

In Accra, on the way back, we were fortunate to be able to stay in the house of a colleague of mine and were looked after by his wife Beckley, who was visiting from Holland for a number of months. We met several of her friends and spoke to them about the Lord. In Accra we had two more baptisms, including Beckley. She has since returned to Holland and is now fellowshiping with us in the

Dordrecht assembly.

Jan-Pieter



Testimonies

I was born again four years ago through baptism and receiving the Holy Spirit. I was raised in Indonesia in a very religious family. It was expected of me that I would go to church every week, even though I didn't want to. The only reason I went was because I didn't want to disappoint my parents. I wore a lot of masks during my life for different situations, but was never myself. I had a good family, did well at school, had plenty of friends, but still felt an emptiness within. I decided to travel to Holland with a friend. Eight months after arriving, I heard the gospel.



After going to a different church that morning, I went to a meeting. I felt envious of the people as they were so happy. I was initially too proud to accept that I had to be born again straight away, but after praying, I received the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues and was then baptised. It was the best decision I ever made. I have been healed from severe endometriosis. The doctor had told me that I would be unable to have children, but now my husband and I are blessed with

a son and a daughter. Being married in the Lord is a blessing as it is good to overcome things together and encourage one another. I am so happy to be in the Lord and learn more every day.

Ester, The Netherlands

My testimony began 10 years ago when I was born again. Before this, I had no idea of how to serve God correctly. When I was a baby, my parents had me christened in the Catholic church, a place we only went to for religious holidays. I could see that this wasn't backed by the bible and began to find religion hypocritical. When I heard the gospel, it was the first time that someone showed me in the bible that I could receive a personal experience with God

through receiving the Holy Spirit. I realised that I had never given God a fair chance. I went to a meeting where I was baptised by full immersion and received the Holy Spirit with the biblical evidence of speaking in tongues. My life completely changed at that moment as I had received power from God to change.

I have been healed when half of my face became paralyzed. I have married a very nice brother and recently we were blessed with a lovely son, Mark.

We planned a trip to Ghana but because I was pregnant at the time, I was unable to have all the recommended vaccinations. God protected me and during the two weeks we were there I wasn't bitten by mosquitoes at all, whereas when we visited Thailand, I was constantly bitten. After our trip I was also protected.

Mark was born more than 2 months prematurely, at 31 weeks, 5 days. Afterwards, the doctors told me that I had suffered from the most serious form of pre-eclampsia, which only occurs in 1% of pregnancies. Women with this condition usually give birth 3 months too early with a bad result most of the time as a baby can only live from 28 weeks onwards. At 26 weeks into my pregnancy, I became ill and had to go to hospital. It turned out that my blood pressure was way too high and that Mark suffered from growth retardation. The next day the whole situation had completely changed. More than 5 weeks later, Mark was born which, looking back, was very special. When he was born we soon found out that he was doing very well and now that he is home, we enjoy this miracle of God greatly.

I am very thankful that God is always there for us, for showing us what is good, for the unity we have worldwide and for eternal life when Jesus returns.

Cindy, The Netherlands

