

# FELLOWSHIP OF THE KING

We are a charismatic/evangelical community church network seeking, with the Holy Spirit's help, to be Christ-centred, and endeavouring to faithfully live out Biblical Christianity in the Spanish provinces of Málaga, Granada and Almería. We are a family of nine churches, organised by language or location, with a vision for this number to grow.

First established in 1997 in Salobreña, we are a family bound together in love for Christ and for one another. Indeed our name highlights both the desire to be welcoming, to function in the context of genuine, committed friendship, and, especially to be a church which works together to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings.

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### Newsletter for December 2010



**Albox:** *Aguaviva, Albox Christian Centre, C/ Arrabal 20*

**Sunday:** Family Service 11.00am with children's activities

**Cell Groups:** various days and times, please phone.

**Contact:** Tony & Eila Classon (950 064 402)

**Almuñécar:** **Contact:** Pat Mingorance (958 881 358)

**Thursday:** Life Groups and Prayer meeting

**Granada:** *Tim & Mary Slegg are in the process*

*of planting in Huetor Vega. Contact:* (958 303 863)

**Mojácar:** *Living Water Church - Virgen del Mar Hotel*

**Sunday:** Family Service 11.00am

**Contact:** Dave & Pam Hamilton (950 618 814)

**Nerja:** *Pasaje San Miguel.*

**Sunday:** English Service - 10.30am **Wednesday:** Prayer meeting at 11.00am

**Contact:** James & Nieves Moorhead (952 525 352)

**Iglesia Española:** Carlos & Loida Gómez (691 050 832)

**Domingo:** Alabanza y predicación 19.00 **Miercoles:** Reunión de oración 19.00

**Salobreña:** *Avenida Mediterraneo 31*

**Sunday:** Family Service - 10.00am **Tuesday:** Prayer meeting 9.30am

**Contact:** Jon & Emma Jarratt (634 330 882)

**Iglesia Española:** Carlos & Loida Gómez (691 050 832)

**Domingo:** Alabanza y predicación 12.00 **Viernes:** Jovenes 19.00

**Viñuela Area:** *Beneath Inmobiliaria Maroma,*

*Cruce Puente don Manuel, Alcaucín*

**Sunday:** Family Service 11.00am **Wednesday:** Fellowship Group

## Albox

George Verwer of OM recently interviewed on TV made the statement that anyone who wants to be used by God will need regular and thorough overhauls by the Holy Spirit. My car needs at least a once a year overhaul, my swimming pool (the bane of my life) seems to need one every two or three months – so why not us? My understanding of the purpose of fasting is that it is a necessary detox not only for the body and for the mind to be cleansed of worldly things and attitudes but also as a preparation for a new infilling of God. In all but one of the Jewish Feasts (Yom Kippur or Day of Atonement which is one day of fasting and prayer for the nation following the ten days of awe when everyone will have fasted for their own shortcomings) is the exception). This period of fasting precedes an anticipation of an infilling or feasting upon God. My experience of fasting is that little seems to be happening during the fast, it is not until afterwards when I have first spent time in the presence of God that situations change. By making Him my priority in terms of time and food and/or other activities for a while – allows the Holy Spirit to identify areas in need of repentance then He is able to make major or minor adjustments that can then initiate a spiritual refilling and refreshing. When I hear people tell me they cannot afford to tithe, or they are too busy to come to meetings I wonder how many times the real reason is that they do not want to do it.

*Equally with fasting and prayer, there is some confusion and as we grow older fasting from food or sleep becomes more difficult, but it can be a few hours alone with God, not everyone can fast for a month. However, if we understand fasting as a means of preparation for more of God it may encourage us to seek God about it, let Him explain and guide. Essentially it is taking time to rest in His presence, just listening and responding to Him. In these days of such busyness this way of refreshment and renewal is necessary, John 10.27. We may well know this but how many of us make the time and so are becoming overwhelmed, discouraged and exhausted.*

This message is for me, but it may be for others, I know that is it time that I went in for a service, to spend time listening to the diagnostic advice of my maker and designer, then by the grace of God allowing Him to make some fine tunings. Selah. **Blessings, Tony Classon**

## La Viñuela



Mixed emotions were experienced as many joined us to say goodbye to John and Maureen on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> November. It was great to see so many people, over 45 members of FTK together with Loli and family from the Spanish church in Vilo, and one or two non-Christian friends. Why mixed emotions well on the one hand we had come together to express our love for these two and on the other we were sad at their departure. That sadness an expression of what they meant to us, and how we have benefitted from their service to the family of Christ in Vinuela. We had decided to present them with a leather bound NKJV Chronological Study Bible, unfortunately it did not arrive until after their departure, but John & Mo Bamber are visiting the UK this Christmas and will see them, so they will give it to them.

***Our Carol Service this year will be celebrated on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 5:00pm***

The opening of the charity shop has been postponed until Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November as Chris Milner who leads the organisation and operation of the shop had to return to the UK, as her mother was extremely ill (she had been suffering for a long time with Alzheimer's) sadly her mother passed away. Much has been done during the time Chris was away, with teams of ironers ensuring well-presented garments would be on display. Completion of pricing the in stock items is now the priority ahead of the opening .

***Blessings, Colin Lavender***

I read the latest newsletter with interest as usual. Regarding the miners, did you see what was written on the front of most of the jackets? On the shoulder "Jesus" and on the back in small writing "En sus manos estan los abismos de la tierra; suyas son las cumbres de los montes." Salmos 95v4

I heard that Campus for Christ managed to get the gospel in Spanish on an MP3 down to the miners and also a copy of the Jesus Story. This encouraged them in their faith and solidified the group.

The testimony of Rev Alfredo Cooper (from Cornwall, but now a chaplain to the Chilean President!) was also amazing -he said some of the men testified that there were 34 down the mine not 33- that Jesus was with them. I also saw him on BBC TV talking about "Kingdom principles". Best wishes Bob & Jean Balfour

## THANK YOU SO MUCH

*To everyone who so kindly gave gifts towards the repair of our roof. At the time of writing we are still awaiting permission from the Town Hall to go ahead, but God has been gracious in keeping the weather good and the roof from falling in whilst we wait. We thank God for all of you who have been so generous towards us. May our Lord bless you in abundance.*

*With our grateful thanks, Leslie, Chris and Esther.*

## IT'S CHRISTMAS!

In the world these days where "Winter Season's Greetings" are more the "in" thing. It is good to celebrate the amazing truth that God himself came to dwell among us, to bring us life, salvation, peace and goodwill. Let us gladly put CHRIST back into Christmas and stand up and be counted.

I personally want to thank all who have contributed so faithfully through the year to enable this bulletin to go out. Also, to all of you who may our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ grant you to know the height, length and breadth of His love for you, at this Christmas time and through the coming year.



*We wish you all a very  
Happy Christmas.*

*Leslie, Chris and Esther*

## Almuñécar

Wow! The year 2010 is almost at an end and as I look back over this year, which has passed faster than any other I'm sure, I see God moving, not as I had anticipated, but in many different ways. As a fellowship, here in Almuñécar, we haven't been meeting together on most Sundays because we have been joining with other FTK fellowships but our Thursday evening meetings have been filled with the presence of God as we have had the privilege to minister to, and receive ministry from, many trusted Holy Spirit filled visitors from many different places. In the last couple of months we have met together even more frequently, seeking God's face while enjoying even more of God's presence and glory. I am so excited to see what God has for us in 2011 as He continues to work His purposes out among us and in His world.

*Many of us will be away over the Christmas period so we will be holding a Christmas Carol Evening, with mince pies and mulled wine, on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 19.30 in El Faro, Plaza de las Magnolias. Despite bad weather last year, many came to share with us and hear the message of Christmas and my prayer this year is that people will not only hear the message, but respond to it. Please pray for Gavin, Judy and family as they minister throughout December and the beginning of January in St. Lucia. They have the opportunity to impact much of the island with the Gospel as they have been invited to perform in several venues, large and small. Please pray for protection over health and travel for the family and for all those who will attend the meetings and hear the Gospel, maybe for the first time.*

All of us in Almuñécar wish everyone a Peaceful Chrstmas and a Challenging New Year.

*'Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.'* (2Thessalonians 3:16)

*Blessings, to you all, Pat Mingorance*

## Granada

A brief note to let you know about H<sub>2</sub>O – Alpha type course for seekers which we're running just outside Granada city. The last three weeks we've not had anyone attending, although we continue to get people saying (we think genuinely) that they want to come. Instead something different has been happening – even more precious – God has been coming!

*Some 15 – 20 years ago in England we attended bible weeks where hundreds if not thousands of people encountered the Lord in a powerful way, often leaving them unable or unwilling to remain on their feet, touching all age groups, including our children. Again in Mexico, we have seen tens or hundreds of people meeting with God and receiving words of direction and encouragement for their lives. We have hungered for this since arriving in Spain eight years ago but have not really expected to meet with the Lord in this way in our own home!*

Having set up the video projector and prepared a little, we have spent time entering the Lord's presence using anointed Latin American worship music. Twice we have been so touched by His almost heavy presence that we've stayed some time there, and last Sunday we enjoyed a blessed time of worship and great freedom in intercession. His presence has lingered until the Monday morning. O how much more we need to draw close to our Creator and Saviour who really is the One who loves us most of all! He's the only One who can equip us for what lies ahead, as we admit our total dependence on Him.

*Tim's reading a book called "The Grace Outpouring" by Roy Godwin which talks about God sovereignly meeting with people (whether Christian or not) and transforming their lives, in the setting of a prayer centre in the Welsh mountains – including many unsaved who just walked past the property and felt compelled to come in and ask what was going on! We'd recommend this book to you.*

We'd also value your continued prayer as the Lord leads our reaching out to the lost.

*Blessings Tim and Mary Slegg*

## Mojácar

Christmas greetings from Living Water Church Mojácar  
Here we are again and where did the year go? I hope you have had a year of God's blessing, not without its challenges I'm sure but praise God for his goodness and provision over the last year, praise him for his protection and for our health. We have seen wonderful blessings here in Mojácar with many receiving refreshing and healing. This Christmas we continue to give thanks to our Lord. The bible tells us he was born in a stable and laid in a feeding trough. (no room in the Inn) Oh how we must make room for Jesus in our lives today. Robert C. Shannon wrote: "Prince Philip is known everywhere as the handsome husband of Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain. He was born a Greek prince, though there is no Greek blood in his veins. He is of German and Danish ancestry. As a baby he was smuggled out of Greece in a crate made from an orange box. A crate hardly befits a prince, and a manger hardly befits the infant King of Kings!" Like Moses who started his journey in a floating basket, became a prince and became the instrument to lead God's people to the promised land, so too Jesus came in that trough as the Prince of Peace and led the way for our salvation.

Michael Card in Christianity Today wrote:

*All we could ever imagine, could ever hope for, He is. ... He is the Prince of Peace whose first coming has already transformed society but whose second coming will forever establish justice and righteousness. All this, and infinitely more, alive in an impoverished baby in a barn. That is what Christmas means-- to find in a place where you would least expect to find anything you want, and yet find everything you could ever want.*

The simple shepherds heard the voice of an angel and found their Lamb and Herod tried to stop God's purposes by destroying every child in Bethlehem up to the age of two. He failed and so will every attempt to silence the best news this world will ever hear. Today His church is alive and declaring the good news, a voice still crying out for the lost to prepare their hearts to meet the King, Jesus Son of David the Saviour of the world.

**What can I give him, Poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a wise man, I would do my part; Yet what I can I give him - Give my heart. Christina Georgina Rossetti (1830-1894)**

*Keep looking up.*

*Pastor David Hamilton*

## **Nerja**

Quote from Demos Shakarion (Full Gospel Businessmen)

"To love the unlovable is to separate ourselves from the world's self-serving kind of love - to share Christ's with people, who have no apparent ability to return anything at all. Jesus calls us to love as He did - to love those who finish last; those who are ugly; those who are poor, or are powerless to help us. This response is only possible by a supernatural transformation, that begets in us a different order of response, than is usual to mankind.

Just as the human mind separates man from animals, so Christian love is to be so dramatically different, that it separates the believer from the world.

It is to transcend human responses that expect an earthly reward for kindness, or service. Such love will become a beacon of light, drawing the worldling to us, to question what causes us to radiate love, in the midst of unloving, unlovable people. The perfection of God's love in us can gain a curious and attentive audience. Their hearts open, as a flower in the sun, ready for the busy bees (God's workers in the harvest field of His Kingdom of Love) to germinate and thus cause the fruits of the Spirit to grow in our lives. People eat this fruit and their inner souls are nourished and nurtured, but the eternal pip, at the core, is the Love of Jesus, that dies to self and causes a 100% yield in the spirit."

At the prayer meeting the Lord gave us Isaiah 58 v 6 - 14 via one of our holiday visitors. He has told Nerja many times that they are to be a Lighthouse. His instructions of how we can shine cannot be clearer.. !

We as a fellowship have been sharing food with the hungry, and the Lord is increasing this ministry. (From bringing food weekly for the bless the Spanish congregation - to collecting money to help with Mike and Kath's Kenyan Porridge programme; buying a motorbike for Soei & Tony's son Freddie's WYAM 10 year business project in Indonesia and now supporting them to feed over 2,000 displaced people because of the recent volcanic eruption. Then closer to home, money to repair a dangerous roof. However we must be careful not to oppress, to do away with the pointing finger and malicious talk. We long to be people who will rebuild the ancient ruins ; raise up the age-old foundations ; and repair broken walls, restore streets and dwellings, claiming Nerja for God's Kingdom of Love.

We must unite in outworking this scripture, find joy in serving the Lord, each other and the unlovable! "Stick together like clay not sand" was a word given after our Wednesday prayer meeting quiet time.

In an attempt to form a closer spiritual bond with our Spanish brothers & sisters it is planned to have a joint Praise & Worship service in the near future, before Christmas, if possible.

## **Blessings Joan and Mike Tomlinson**

## **Salobreña**

### **THE POWER OF PRAYER**

Over the years of the church we have shared in many miracles, major and minor, as a result of prayer. We do not always get the answer we want, but God is good and he knows what is good for us.

Matthew 7 vs 7 says "Ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you."

The latest miracle in my life is the saving by prayer of my dog's life (Chica).

Over the last few weeks many dogs have died of poison which is very strong, you only have to breathe it in to become ill, which she did. Early one morning I got her to the car praying all the way down to Almuñecar, 15kms from my house. I prayed and prayed all the way to the vets, very positive prayer, crying out to God all the time. The vet was waiting for me when I got there, he saved her with his God given skills.

Do not be afraid to ask God for all things great and small. He will hear and answer.

Lord I thank you, everyday for the things you do in my life and the lives of all I know. Wonderful God. Amen.

Chica is the only one out of 18 dogs to be saved from the poison.

### **Blessings Chris Stuart**

*We have heard from Alan who says: "Hi everyone, Bev is now home and making a very good recovery and getting a little stronger every day. Her chest wound had repaired so well that when we came home last Tuesday there was no need for any dressing. The wound on her leg is also doing well but still needs covering for now. We have been going for a walk each day and going a little further each walk. I give thanks to God for all the people, from the surgeons to the tea ladies who's care and skills amounted to this moment for her. I shall never finish being grateful to them all.*

*Thank you to all who prayed for us during this time. Alan*

Now I sit me down in school  
Where praying is against the rule  
For this great nation under God  
Finds mention of Him very odd.  
If Scripture now the class recites,  
It violates the Bill of Rights.  
And anytime my head I bow  
Becomes a Federal matter now.

Our hair can be purple, orange or green,  
That's no offense; it's a freedom scene..  
The law is specific, the law is precise.  
Prayers spoken aloud are a serious vice.  
For praying in a public hall  
Might offend someone with no faith at all..  
In silence alone we must meditate,  
God's name is prohibited by the state.

We're allowed to cuss and dress like freaks,  
And pierce our noses, tongues and cheeks...  
They've outlawed guns, but FIRST the Bible.  
To quote the Good Book makes me liable.  
We can elect a pregnant Senior Queen,  
And the 'unwed daddy,' our Senior King.  
It's 'inappropriate' to teach right from wrong,  
We're taught that such 'judgments' do not belong...

We can get our condoms and birth controls,  
Study witchcraft, vampires and totem poles..  
But the Ten Commandments are not allowed,  
No word of God must reach this crowd.  
It's scary here I must confess,  
When chaos reigns the school's a mess.  
So, Lord, this silent plea I make:  
Should I die soon; My soul please take!  
Amen

**Thank you so much** for your loving and encouraging e-mails which could not have come at a better time.

Originally we had hoped to come to Kenya in October but then decided that a longer stay in Spain for a much needed rest would be better for us.

On the point of booking our tickets, we heard about a problem in Kenya regarding our application for change of use for our school. We found a cheap flight for a few days and here we are again in Kenya.

We have been told our application papers for change of use have been lost in the system. However we are going to see the lawyer on Tuesday and pray it will be resolved without additional payment. Please pray about this.

As you know we are praying all the time that God will provide all our needs. Now we are hearing about the support all at FTK are giving us, we can't stop thanking our wonderful God.

The shoe boxes, the charity shop, it's wonderful, words cannot express how much we appreciate the help and support you are giving for these lovely needy children.

We are grateful for your continued prayers for ourselves, the staff and the children.

On a high note the children are all well and amazing us with their progress. Will tell you more when we see you. We can't wait to get back to Spain as we miss you all so much.

Love and Blessings to you and all our friends at FTK  
Mike and Kath

## **Praise God** *Two-thirds of trapped miners saw the light*

*Illumination came into the darkened lives of 22 of the 33 Chilean miners while they endured their underground nightmare. One of the miners, Jose Henriquez, revealed the number of those who turned to Jesus while speaking at an evangelistic festival in Chile on 29 October. Henriquez, the 24th miner to be rescued, became the group's spiritual leader while trapped in the mine. The others called him 'The Pastor'. During his ordeal, he requested recordings of Luis Palau – the evangelist leading the outreach in Santiago. Henriquez told his story to the crowds at the event, and afterwards thousands made decisions for Christ. Palau also met with the Chilean President, whom he encouraged to continue recognising God in his public statements, quoting the Bible promise: 'Those who honour me I will honour.'*