

# Revival News



## European Monthly Report

August 2019



**August saw another great UK Summer camp take place in Bath.** Saints from the UK, Europe and further afield attended the camp on the theme of The Power of Giving. As well as being a fantastic time of fellowship there was also revival with several people being baptised and Spirit filled at camp. Read more of the highlights on page 4 of this report.

*Above and left: UK Summer camp*

### Server News, August 2019

All the talks, songs and other items from the Summer camps are now added to the re-acts server for download.

Lots of other stuff is also available from our own server here in Holland.

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### Coming up:

#### Ireland Camp

**October 23—27**

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#### Czech Camp

**October 25—29**

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#### Winter Camp Holland

December 25—January 1—2020

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# Editorial: The Power of Giving

When we read about the power of God in the Bible, it is quite often connected to people being liberated and set free from their sickness, bondage, slavery and sin.

Becoming a giver also has a liberating effect on the giver. Too many people in this world are trapped chasing riches and stuff that they think will make them happy eg Mark 4:19 the deceitfulness of riches (Wealth, abundance, possessions, riches)

The Bible tells us, 'having food and raiment let us be therewith content' (1 Timothy 6: 8). This is what the experts call Subsistence = "The action or fact of maintaining or supporting oneself, especially at a minimal level".

Quote: *In Mexico, most people live just above the level of subsistence, and the average purchasing power is only about a third of what it is in France. But in Mexico in 2002, 63 percent of adults said they were very happy or completely happy. In France, only 35 percent gave one of these responses. Like nations, once individuals reach subsistence, they get little or no extra happiness as they get richer – even massively richer. In a 1978 study, two psychologists interviewed 22 major lottery winners and found that the joy of sudden wealth wore off in a few months. The reason for this phenomenon is that humans tend to adapt psychologically to their circumstances – including their monetary ones – quickly. Economists call this the "hedonic treadmill."* June 30, 2006 -- *Money won't buy happiness, says a group of distinguished economists and psychologists. "Would you be happier if you were richer?" asked Princeton researcher Daniel Kahneman, PhD, and colleagues. Kahneman shared the 2002 Nobel Prize for applying the principles of psychology to economics. Their answer: No. It's just an illusion that wealth brings happiness.*

So maybe the wisdom of the scripture telling us to be happy with food and raiment is more profound than when we first read it.

The funny thing is, many other studies by the experts tell us that the only way to get happier once we've reached subsistence is by GIVING.

The only way you can get more joy from your stuff, is by giving it away.

This is also true spiritually. Once we are 'Saved and Happy Now' (Acts 2:38) the key to finding more joy is by helping others or giving.

The psalm below describes us coming to the Lord well:

*Psalms 40:2-3 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.*

He lifted us out of our old life, set us on the rock (Jesus Christ), and showed us a new way to live, made us happy and others saw this testimony.

Once that has happened, the next step is to help others with this wonderful plan.

If we don't we'll find ourselves on a plateau. The danger here is, if we don't give we may get bored and fall into the trap of the world, trying to find joy in places where joy cannot be found.

The problem is we sometimes think we do not have anything worthwhile to give or that we are the ones that need help.

Firstly, the Lord is not looking for things we don't have:

*Acts 3:6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.*

*2 Corinthians 8:12 For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not.*

We can see from the stories of the Loaves and Fishes in Matthew that people gave what they had and with the Lord's blessing it was more than enough and far reaching.

In Matthew 14:15 – 21. There was a great need. Well over 5,000 people needed feeding but they only had 5 Loaves & 2 Fishes. In the natural sense, this was nowhere near enough, a drop in the ocean of what was needed but

with the Lord's blessing there was more than enough.

The situation almost repeats in the next chapter Matthew 15: 29 – 38. The figures were different but the outcome the same.

When we continue reading we see in chapter 16:5 – 12, Jesus gives us the impression that even if there was no bread at all, it would not stop him from doing something amazing.

So irrespective of how many loaves and fishes you have or how you arrange them, as long as you give them willingly, with the Lord's blessing it will multiply and be far reaching.

We, as spirit filled people, have a lot to give, it may not seem enough to the human eye but when we give in faith it can have a huge effect.

To Finish:

Once we have the basics in life (Matthew 6:32), the only way we can possibly get any happier is by giving, helping, contributing, sharing etc etc

Your loaves and fishes will not be enough on their own, what the Lord does with them (his blessing) is what really counts.



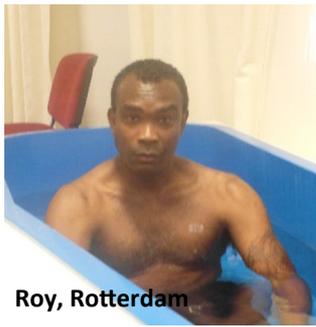
**Tom O'Brien,  
Liverpool**

## Heard from the platform

- God has given us a lot so be thankful
- Rejoice in the things we can do!
- Everything we've fought for or worked for in this world we'll leave behind, so don't worry about it.
- Learning any skill requires effort: are we ready to put the same effort into serving God?
- Forget about ourselves when we give
- It's not who we were before, but who Christ makes us that matters
- Don't stay childish forever, we need to "grow up" spiritually

# Revival Across Europe

Baptisms in August: 10 in the Netherlands, 5 in Hungary, 4 in the UK



Roy, Rotterdam



Patricia, Rotterdam



Angelique, Rotterdam



Mattheus, Rotterdam



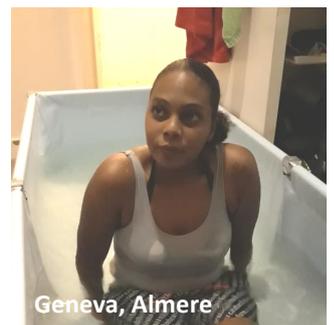
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Mary, Rotterdam



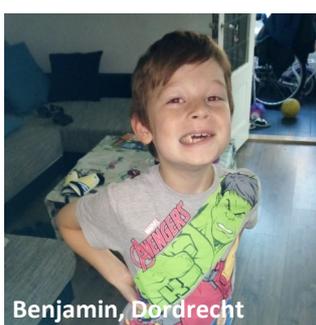
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Geneva, Almere



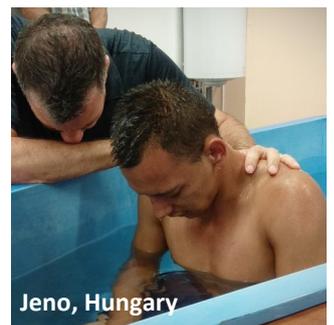
Greetje, Almere



Benjamin, Dordrecht



Imre, Hungary



Jeno, Hungary



Joli, Hungary



Laci, Hungary



Maria, Hungary



Jo, UK Camp



Jemaine, UK Camp



James, UK Camp



Raymond, UK Camp

# Summer Camp in the UK

Bath camp was another great success and saw its usual array of visitors from all over Europe, Singapore, and an influx of Australians too. A particular highlight was the six children that received the Holy Spirit, four of whom were baptised at camp. Their perseverance was inspirational, and watching other children pray with and encourage each other, was an experience that you would never get in the world.

The annual Youngies Vs Oldies football match saw the competitive sides come out of players and spectators alike, but was ultimately a great afternoon of fun and fellowship. The end result was a triumphant Youngies team, and an unusually full prayer line that evening.

The whole week was enhanced by the theme of giving, which was reflected into not only the talks and items, but into the whole atmosphere of fellowship. The camp had a strong sense of unity, love and happiness, reminding us that we truly are part of a global family.



# The Revival Fellowship in:

## Medway

We had a great day out at a place called Reculver just along the coast, during the war they practised the bouncing bomb there, we played cricket instead.

Camp in Bath was busy for us and full of inspiring moments and good memories, we had a tricky assembly item that got worse the more we practised at home, but went well enough on the night.

We said au revoir to Alex and Georgia and Harley Foord, thanks for visiting.

We often get visitors before or after Bath camp too, this year we had Ping Ping and Kenneth from Singapore, plus the Taylors from Hungary, and the Mullans from Adelaide. Makes this time of year especially enriching.

## Almere, NL

After Summer camp, we had an evening of short talks. Brother Mike (16) gave his very



first talk: it is smarter to use God's power, He is the greatest in this whole universe. Being young does not mean that you should only lean on your own strength, be smart and use God's power and you will never fail.

At NextGen camp our younger ones learnt a lot about working together, talking less about themselves and showing more interest in the other person and what it does to someone when you encourage or discourage them.

There were three people born again in Groningen which is a 1,5-hour-drive from Almere. One of the ladies who is the mother of an old friend of sister Marscha asked for prayer so brethren went to visit her. When she heard that the baptism tank was in the back of the car ready to be taken out she said: 'What are you waiting for? Get it out!' She was very enthusiastic to get baptized, obeying the Word, praise the Lord! Please keep her in your prayers as she still needs a complete healing of cancer!

The husband of our sister Feven also got baptized at the end of the month which was a joy to see.

## Czech Republic

Stania, Anna and Irene had an amazing time at the English Summer camp this month. Here's a report from the girls:

*We attended Bath camp again after three years. We really enjoyed every moment and were very happy that we could have the opportunity. The saints were very welcoming and thankful, and looked after us very well. We had a lot of fellowship with brothers and sisters, who we had not seen for a long time. This camp was amazing and every moment mattered. The talks were great and we learned many things, as well as from the testimonies.*

*We look forward to seeing you again, and hope we can come again next Summer.*

## Poole, UK

We started with a beach day where we were joined by Rob and Kerry from the Albury Fellowship in NSW. We enjoyed sunshine, sand and sea and a BBQ as well as great fellowship and testimonies.

Summer camp in Bath was extremely uplifting and enjoyable. During the camp, Young

Raymond received the Holy Spirit and was baptised along with three other children who had been at the seekers meetings. We've had many visitors including Brian Harkof, Ray and Nikki Welch, Pastor Lee and Yarni and Ron and Linda, many of whom joined us for our annual Corfe Camp as well as Sisters Adrienne and Rachel from Medway, Mary from Liverpool and Brother Beau from Holland. We enjoyed a weekend of spectacularly warm weather which was matched by the edifying fellowship and breath-taking



scenery. We have heard many testimonies of the Lord's blessings. Brother Charles gave his first testimony at Corfe Camp and it is wonderful to hear how the next generation are developing their personal relationships with the Lord. We are now all eager to see what the Lord has in store for our corner of the vineyard in the coming weeks and months.

## Rotterdam

The last Summer holiday weekend we had a children's day, where the kids could invite their friends to. They played various games and had a good time together. Earlier on the Rotterdam teens went to Next Gen camp together with the teens from Almere and Dordrecht. They spent two nights there and it was a time of uniting and getting stronger spiritually. Apart from having a lot of fun and laughter, they were able to help each other in how to deal with issues at school and inspired one another by sharing their experiences. It is up to all of us to



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involve them in our activities and to bring them along to follow ups, outreaches and fellowship events. We are one in the Spirit



Georgia, Alex & Harley, Medway

of the Lord.

## Switzerland

We came back from Summer camp in Holland very uplifted and excited about the things we heard and experienced. From a Hungarian sister we got a contact from a lady who is originally Hungarian but lives in Switzerland. She received the Holy Spirit previously in our Hungarian assembly but isn't baptised yet. Unfortunately, she lives quite far away from Bern, so visiting us is quite difficult for her. So Stephan and Zsuzsa went to see her where she lives and talked to her about baptism and God's plan and praying in the Spirit. There is some confusion about things for her since there are many different churches and religions but praise the Lord, his word is very simple and so is his plan for salvation. She is still in contact with us and can see that praying in the spirit is making a big difference for her as well. She thinks about visiting us and being baptised.

This month we saw a presentation about speaking in tongues which is a topic most people in Switzerland are confused about. The Holy Spirit is given to us to teach us, edify and guide us and we speak in tongues, simply because God wants it that way, so we can communicate directly to him in Spirit and in truth.

## Liverpool

Young Jo was born again at summer camp: *"I was brought up in the Lord and I was looking for the Holy Spirit for a while but not enthusiastically. Then at summer camp, I had a desire to pray for the Holy Spirit. One night in the prayer room I received it with the evidence of speaking in tongues with a few other kids. I was encouraged by*



Lili & Jo, Liverpool

*my mates because they came down to the prayer room every night to pray with me. I was baptised the next day along with 3 of my friends. Before I was spirit filled, on the way to Poole camp we stopped at a place, but because I have hay fever my eyes were stinging and were really red. So my dad prayed for me for less than a minute and then when we crossed the road my eyes were better."*

Earlier this year Jo's sister Lili was born again too. She says: "I was praying for quite a while, but one day in religious studies at school we learned about how the Jews cleansed themselves before entering the temple. When I came home I realised that I should start to pray differently and on Thursday 4th of April 2019 I gave thanks and received the Holy Spirit and spoke in other tongues. I was baptised 3 days later on Sunday.

## Dordrecht

The Sunday after our Summer camp Ronald



Tropical dinner night, Dordrecht

and Wendy's son Benjamin was baptised. He received the Holy Spirit prior to that. During summer camp he went up to the prayer line every day to pray with the pastor. He was very happy to be baptised

and we are happy with our new young brother in the Lord!

Some inspiration from the short talks this month by brother Ron, Rondy and Michael:

- Trust God's logic, not your own.

Sometimes we need to take actions that seem illogical naturally, but they make perfect sense spiritually. Trust the Lord.

- Wherever Jesus abides, peace reigns. Now that He lives inside of us, we can bring about this same effect. You are a peacemaker.

- What would God find if He did the secret search (Jeremiah 2:32-34) within you? We can't hide anything from Him, so why try? Share everything with him. Be open and honest to Him, pray about it and you'll find peace.

We opened our bibles together on our Q&A -night and found answers from God's word. At the end of the month we held a Tropical Dinner night attended by five visitors.

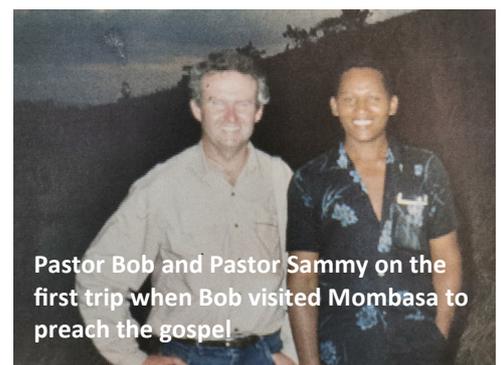
## Yorkshire

This month we had a visit from David and Tina Provis from Melbourne which was very much appreciated. We continue to have observers at the meetings, and recently baptised Reg who came along after seeing our banners out the front of the meeting place. He received the Holy Spirit at a house meeting and was baptised the following Saturday.

A few weeks later, at 88 years of age, and on a very hot day, Reg was umpiring a local cricket match when he collapsed from heat exhaustion. The ambulance came for him and on the way to A&E the ambulance crew (and Reg) were amazed at how calm he was and that his pulse and other vital functions were quite normal. At the hospital, the nurse also commented on how composed he was and asked if he believed in God. They were going to keep him in for 2-3 days, but by early next morning said he was fine and could go home.

## Pan African Rally

Pastor Bob Hutton travelled to Kenya for the Pan African Rally and a meeting of the



Pastor Bob and Pastor Sammy on the first trip when Bob visited Mombasa to preach the gospel!

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Pan African Rally, main meeting

and a meeting via Skype with our Ukrainian brothers and sisters. Nikolai told us how after a tumour on his liver burst, it was a miracle he could even be taken to the hospital in that condition. The 2nd miracle: he survived

newly formed Africa Growth and Development Team. 404 saints and 111 children attended the Rally, with representatives from Burundi, Rwanda and Zambia. 5 people were baptised, and the saints gave amazing testimonies of healings and deliverance from all manner of persecutions, trials and tribulations. It was the 30th anniversary of Revival in Kenya, which began in 1989 during a visit by Pastor Bob (then brother Bob) and his wife sister Jenny. 18 people were born again in Kenya at that time and now, 30 years later, Kenya has a thriving Revival of several hundred people. Throughout Africa, there are now 12 countries experiencing the same sort of Revival that started back there, at the beginning, on the day of Pentecost.

were both feeling lonely and depleted in life, but now by the grace of God have renewed hope and joy. Laci hadn't smiled in a long time, but he does now! We held a presentation of the stars, and ended up having 10-20 people who were just visiting the observatory join us. A brother was healed from a pain in his neck and shoulder which were both red and

the operation. 3rd: the doctors said he would only survive 1-2 weeks without a liver transplant. After prayer, praise the Lord our brother is here today to share the testimony. Pingping and Kenneth from Singapore had a terrible situation happen with their son a few years ago when he tried to kill himself by jumping out of the 4th floor of a building. Miraculously he survived without a single broken bone.



Hungary

Although he isn't walking with the Lord himself, for his parents it was a turning point. Kenneth shared how that before he would just go to meetings on a Sunday, but now he is fully involved in everything and especially loves outreaching. Also, on their arrival in Paris Kenneth and Pingping were targeted by a gang of pickpockets, who

yet after prayer the pain and discoloration went away. He also prayed for a better job for more free time to do the Lord's work and was a little nervous of changing jobs after 10 years but the Lord put an old colleague in front of him who offered a new job which was exactly what he prayed for with all the camps being free. A sister had been unwell for a few weeks and called out to the Lord who instantly healed her. She also prayed about her unsaved husband who had a drinking problem and he stopped drinking.

took a wallet and attempted to take a passport as well. They managed to not only catch one of the thieves who gave back the property, but also 5 police officers 'happened' to be on the scene and arrested the group. This is quite a miracle in Paris! Praise the Lord for his protection in all circumstances.



Béla & Zefi in France



Br. Bert from Holland on the left, Ps Meschack from Mombasa in white shirt in the centre. The brother on the right in white singlet is Ps Paul Patrick from Sierra Leone

**France**  
We were blessed with so many visiting saints this month. It was a very encouraging time and we thank everyone who made the trip to come and contribute to fellowship here. We also had a great time of fellowship

**Hungary**  
We had a fantastic month with five baptisms and six people receiving the Spirit. At an outreach in Debrecen two people got Spirit filled. Greatly encouraged by this we went to a new area in Budapest to outreach, and had three baptisms and four people receiving the Holy Ghost that day. One new sister is Ilona, who had experienced the loss of two young children and her husband. Her other son Laci had been obviously affected by this but he also received the Spirit and was baptised. They



Visiting saints, France

# Surinam Report

This month we had a visit from our brother Rishi and sister Sintya from the Netherlands.

August was a busy month. We received many new visitors during the meetings. Nine people were baptized, eight of whom also received the Holy Spirit. We are truly thankful to God for the Revival of the past month.

For the people who can remember it, we were discussing a new price with the tenant of the building. We all prayed for it and this month we received a price that was lower than our proposal. Praise the Lord.

Brother Rishi got into a conversation with a lady whose car no longer wanted to start. A group started praying with their hands on the car. And after praying for a while the car started again. What is impossible in the world is possible with God !!!

Finally we welcomed Brother Arnold from the Netherlands who has migrated to Suriname and is reunited with his wife sister Irene. We have had a fantastic month. Praise the Lord.

**Brother Guillaume, Surinam**

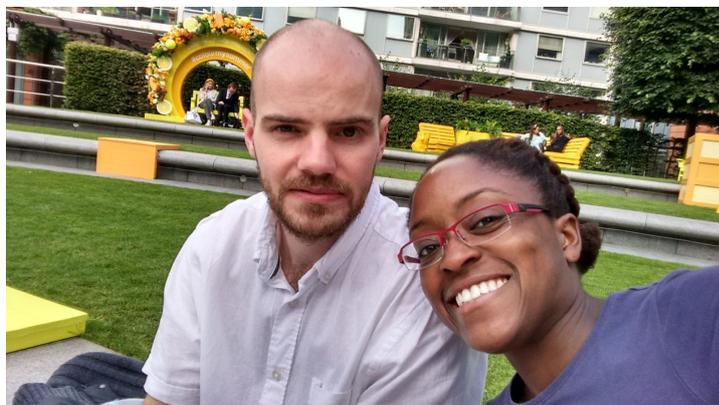


# Testimonies

I've always had a belief in God and was baptized at 15 but when I went to university I realised there was no difference between me and my friends who didn't go to church. There came a point where I wanted to please God so I prayed and fasted to find the right church. I moved to Medway and found the fellowship hall after being lost in town. I read the scriptures about receiving the Holy Spirit and was excited about the possibility of having power to change and be able to please God. At the meeting I prayed for the Holy Spirit but prayed to only speak in tongues if it happens to everyone when they receive the Holy Spirit, if not I wanted another sign. After praying for a while I spoke in tongues and was relieved to know that God existed. It was a different language to the people I was praying with so it erased the doubts that had been put in my mind in the past when incorrectly told that you can learn to speak in tongues by copying. I was baptized a couple of months later after the Lord taught me it was more important to please him than others .

The Lord took away my desires to go clubbing and drinking. I have been blessed to have had the opportunity to pray and lay hands on an alcoholic to reduce the amount of alcohol they drank and see God answer. The lady initially had a small amount of alcohol and nothing after this. I have recently been blessed with a husband to serve the Lord with who I am extremely grateful for. I'm thankful for the Lords direction in all areas of my life.

**Triona, Medway UK**



I was raised catholic but we rarely attended church, I didn't like religion and didn't think much about God. When I was 15 I came to the fellowship in Liverpool after my mum did and heard for the first time about the Lord's return, baptism and the Holy spirit, and personal testimonies. I prayed for a few months but didn't receive the Holy spirit, I was still only interested in the natural life but knew I needed it to be alright when the Lord returned. After a few months, I was baptised thinking God is our creator and should come first so repented from the old life. I received the Holy spirit in the baptism water. In August 2017 I fell off a roof and landed head first on concrete. The Lord protected me so that I left hospital after 2 weeks and the only lasting effects of it are minor. I recently got married to Triona in the Medway assembly.

**Paul, Medway UK**