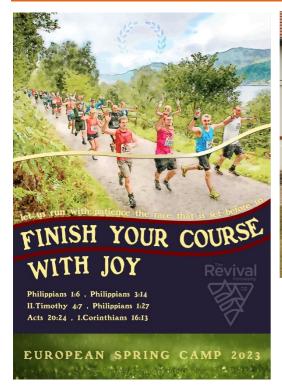
Revival News





European Monthly Report

April 2023





In early April Spring Camp took place in Hungary with the theme:
"Finish your course - with joy". Praise the Lord and thanks to the many saints who came from different countries, these were an excellent four days to meet saints you haven't met before, hear new testimonies and talks from people you don't hear talks from in your local assembly.

On Sunday camp attendance peaked at a number of 145 saints, 63 coming from outside of Hungary, from 8 different fellowships, including overseas such as Singapore and Australia.

We saw three people being born of water during camp: a man who came through camp outreach, a mother of a sister and a boy from the Czech fellowship.

The camp site - a countryside horse-ranch - offered a wonderful, peaceful environment away from the stress of the world to spend quality time with each other, grow strong to change and overcome.

We saw a presentation on why camps are important, we had lots of fun too, so that time flew by quickly. International fellowship was organised and hosted by hospitable local saints before and after camp in various locations.

Revival Fellowship Hungary

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Recordings from camps, conventions and meetings are available from our webserver.

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Editorial: You see (understand) what you see because you are what you are.

If you don't SEE (understand) IT you need to work on WHAT you are.

Can some people see more than others? Dare we ask ourselves the question: 'Can some people see more than I?' Sometimes hard to accept?

Ho 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

The NLB translation:

Hos 4:6 It is done with my people, because they will not learn; for ye reject God's word, therefore I will also reject you, that ye shall not be my priest; you forget the law of God, therefore I will forget your children too.

A Latin proverb:

Scientia potentia est.

"knowledge is power", a quote by Sir Francis Bacon.

The phrase speaks for itself: knowledge is power. This states that knowledge and/or education is one of the most important things in life.

Gathering and sharing knowledge is the basis for improving one's reputation and influence and thus one's power.

And one step further...

Knowledge is power, sharing knowledge increases power.

Isa 28:9 Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts.

10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: 11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.

12 To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

Vital, eternal, life changing knowledge can only be taught to Spirit-filled people.

Isa 53:1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

The question, who can learn, who can see and who can not?
An example:

Lu 2:25 And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

26 And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

The meaning of the name Simeon is: A listener and understander. (Vision)

27 And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,

28 Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,

29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servantdepart in peace, according to thy word:30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

While most other visitors just saw a Baby, he saw something completely different...

He saw what he saw because he was what he was.

Our vision also depends on what we are.

And here we have found the cause why some people see (understand) more than others.

A Dutch proverb: A good listener only needs half a word.

Gaining knowledge starts and ends with LISTENING

And then we come back to where we started.

The prophet tells us, by the words of God, that his people stopped learning and didn't really want to learn anymore.

So how does the desire to learn stop? Distractions, everything around you is crying out for attention.

Daily life, Your phone, ping!, again something that demands your attention.

Can some people see more than you? Beyond doubt... but... hard to accept.

So, is this an encouragement to seek more vision ourselfs?

How do we do that ...???

You see (understand) what you see because you are what you are.
Now looking at this backwards...

If we don't SEE (understand) IT we need to work on what we are.

Increase your status, your understanding, your knowledge.

God wants to share HIS knowledge with

Ac 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth

No longer vulnerable to half-truths, trick questions.

You just KNOW stuff, it's true or not, sound judgment.

Heb 10:21 And having an high priest over the house of God;

22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised!

Interesting, right? Lets learn AND, "see" more everyday.

Ps Piet Visser.



Heard from the platform:

- Whose standard do we live by? Ours, the world's or God's?
- Let God divide the light from the darkness in our life.
- We should honour all, but fear only God.
- Let your eyes rest on the Lord, not the blessing.
- Follow what God asks you to do, not your good intentions.
- It is us who need to do the Lord's bidding.
- Let go of what makes your fearful.
- Don't feel like a victim, be victorious!
- How much do we limit God?
- God is always thinking of us. He is always there for us. Show him HOW grateful you are.
- We have to protect and grow the vision we have received from the Lord.

Revival across Europe and the UK

Baptisms in April: 5 in Hungary, 11 in the Netherlands, 2 in the UK (one pictured)























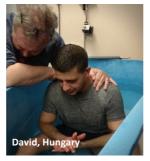














God's protection on the road, France

This month brother Alain and his grandson Léo went on a road trip to northern Spain to pick up some building materials. The drive would take a couple of days each way. Beforehand Alain had bought new tyres for his trailer—steel reinforced ones. Going around a roundabout on the drive back, at the end of the day when they had almost arrived at their hotel, Alain saw that a wheel on the trailer was smoking. He pulled over and checked, finding that every bolt that should have been holding the wheel on, was missing (photo 2). The wheel was sitting out further than it should have been (photo 1), not being held on by anything. As it had started to rub on the wing of the trailer, it was smoking and had worn down to the metal.

They were able to put on the spare tyre and drive the remaining distance to the hotel, very slowly as there were still no more bolts

holding the wheel. Alain praises the Lord for His protection. If the wheel had come off completely or been torn apart at high speed it would have had bad consequences. He had never seen a wheel held on by thin air before! Saints at home prayed that they would get back on the road fast. Early in the morning they found the parts needed and got on the road, arriving home safely that evening. Praise the Lord!

Revival Fellowship, France





More from Spring Camp in Hungary



















Kenya—African Growth & Development Team

Earlier, in March, Pastor Bob Hutton and Pastor Steve Carr spent some time in Kenya as part of the African Growth and Development Team. Other pastors present were from Zambia, Kenya, Rwanda and Burundi. We were able to attend various meetings there in Kenya and hear reports of the revivals taking place across Africa. Although from very different countries and backgrounds, team members are very much united with the same vision and various strategies were discussed and put into place to promote even more revival.

Ps Bob, RF Yorkshire







Almere

Another month flew by and praise the Lord, we saw 6 people being born again. Last month our new sister Chantal witnessed to her friend, Precious, who got born again. And like a domino effect, her elder sister Destiney also took the step to be born again. Both young girls have already experienced that God performs miracles:

Destiney was going for a check up for her diabetes that she had had from a young age. She got to hear from the doctors that her levels were perfect. They did not understand how it was possible because a week or two beforehand it was not right at all. She knew straight away that it was because of the Lord.

Precious praises the Lord as doors opened to her, getting job offers at places where she was rejected at first. She

realized that God also blessed her for making the choice to follow Him. Precious' father who lives in England came to visit her and also came to the meeting. He was pleasantly surprised, hopefully he will also make the same right choice back in England.

There was a games night trying to find out

which Bible character we are, Q&A night, music evening, signs and wonders that God did in the lives of brethren and a presentation about the Book of Revelation. It was a very exciting month, encouraging us to keep on going, witnessing to anyone that crosses our paths, because our work in the Lord is never in vain!

Bristol

This month we put on a 'Popcorn & Proverbs' afternoon. This was a

wonderful chance to share blessings and wisdom from the Book of Proverbs while we munched on some popcorn. It was great to see three new faces that day and it was so evident that God's practical advice from the days of Solomon is still incredibly applicable to our lives today. Brother and sister Lee & Kate saw a wonderful healing for their baby daughter Nora. Doctors wanted to put her in a corrective harness for an ever-changing number of weeks. Once it was clear the doctors couldn't provide consistent advice, they put their trust in the Lord and removed the harness as it was causing Nora pain. The Lord blessed mightily and she was healed of all issues We had more brothers & sisters from Bristol visiting other fellowships in other cities for the first time, and all brought back a good report of the love and unity of the saints. We rejoiced to have visitors

Liberty.
We put on a timely presentation on 'Coronations: Their History and Significance', which was our first Youtube livestream and the inaugural video on our new Youtube channel. We also had a widespread leafleting campaign in the

from as far as Adelaide, who brought

interesting talks on the themes of Our

Obedience to God and How We Use Our

local area around our hall, with the kids competing as a team to beat their own high score of leaflets posted out!



During one of the outreaches in Vught this month a young lady approached one of our sisters to ask what she was doing. It turned out that she had called out to the Lord, because she wanted to be closer to Him. That night she came to the meeting and was born again. The following outreach in

Vught a young man we spoke to shared that he was trying to get his life in order in his own strength. He recognized that something was missing and that he needed to get baptized. He was born again that evening. God surely knows people's hearts and proves himself to them!

Remembering sister Liny

This month we unexpectedly had to say goodbye to our dear sister Liny, who fell asleep in the Lord on Wednesday the 26th of April. We are thankful she was given the opportunity to share her testimony four days prior to her passing during our 'signs and wonders



Saturday night' with the help of (or rather through) sister Klaasje (see photo). The past one and a half years Liny had been struggling with different severe health issues. Due to her weak condition she wasn't able to physically attend the meetings for a long time. It was therefore a great joy to have her with us in a few meetings in April and to hear her testimony that evening. In October 2022 she was diagnosed with cancer. She received radiotherapy, but she was told this was only to shrink the tumour, not to heal it. At the end of March 2023 she received the news that the cancer was gone. The doctor was very surprised, but we know Whom to give thanks to! We remember her as a faithful, steadfast sister who loved the Lord and the saints. She had an amazing record of miraculous healing testimonies. She will be greatly missed, and we'll always think of her when we sing her all time favourite chorus 512 'Jesus Christ He's coming back'. We were thankful to hear that her memorial service left a great impression on many of her family members, friends and relatives. We pray for their comfort and their salvation. Let's make sure we 'keep our soul and walk upright, and let nobody steal our crown' till the end!

France



Prayer time, Almere

This month we were blessed to have a visit from the Lealuga family from the assembly in Wellington, New Zealand. It was a great time and everyone got involved to make it a full weekend of really uplifting fellowship.

Visitors (lerprechauns?) in Ireland

Fellowship, Ireland

uplifting fellowship.
We had pot luck meals, musical outreach, a picnic, a walk to the castle and lots of play time for the kids. Mari brought her neighbour's children along to the activities and meetings, and one of them prayed for the Holy Spirit as she had been thinking about baptism. Charlotte and Rano shared their testimonies and spoke about the miracles they saw growing up in Spirit filled families, how they both

started their own walks at a young age,

and how the Lord has helped them through tough times too. Some examples are: healing from a broken arm, parents' marriage restored, comfort after Charlotte's father died in the Lord, their daughter Kenzie

being protected at birth when she wasn't breathing, Rano's family member healed from measles after prayer during the epidemic in Samoa, their daughter Naiah starting her own walk in the Lord and being healed from anxiety since being born again. Amazing and encouraging stuff! During the month we also had a Zoom with the Swiss saints. Initially a Bible study, it turned out to be a great 'Q&A' session for newer saints and lots of testimonies were shared. The Lord always uses us to minister to each other.

Hungary

April was another busy month with 5 baptisms and Spring Camp hosted by our fellowship, offering lots of international fellowship (see camp report). A man came to the Lord and his wife started attending meetings. She was suspicious at first but then God convinced her, she got born again and is now a strong sister. Her mother started coming and was also suspicious at first but then she came to

camp and there decided to get baptised. Amazing how a step in faith by this man caused two people finding the Lord! Also at camp we witnessed the baptism of Dan, son of brother Jara from Czech. A sister was very encouraged to see camp outreach supported by Dutch brethren and the fruits of it: another baptism. A sister was suspected to have glaucoma and was examined by doctors for months but she prayed and the end result came

out saying she was healthy. A brother had sever tinnitus and dizziness many nights which frightened him till he was daily afraid to go to sleep. Doctors couldn't help but he prayed, got peace from God and was healed. A brother is changing jobs, gave one month's notice at the old workplace to be fair, but got fired the next day which meant extra payment and holiday which he needed and knew was from the Lord. A sister's

workplace outsourced 6 of 8 colleagues' work to abroad so she prayed to be able to keep her job and she and another colleague were the only ones who could.

Ireland

Greetings from Ireland. Ps Anthony & Rachael had a great time at camp in Hungary; a good camp theme and fantastic to meet old and new faces.

At that time we enjoyed a visit at a Wednesday meeting from the O'Brien family from Liverpool.
At the Sunday meeting, one of the brothers brought his sister along as an observer. Praise the Lord.

Throughout the month we went outreaching and did a



in North London. We had a great time of fellowship over that weekend.

Towards the end of the month, we visited a young man whose mother got born again last year but didn't continue on. He has been recently asking a lot of questions. He was shown the salvation scriptures and prayed for the Holy Spirit, His mother also started praying again.

They are being followed up, Praise the Lord. Until next month.

Liverpool

Hi from Liverpool, we had 2 baptisms this month, Iroghama and Rob. Rob received the Holy Spirit just before he was baptised and Iroghama is still praying to receive at the moment.

Pastor Denis shared a testimony on our group chat:

"Also some prayer needed for a lady called Jane. I visited her yesterday for a survey and she received the Holy Spirit. She has a terminal illness. This morning she told me she slept all night for the first time in 4 years. She's going into a respite place today. She's been praying in tongues and finding great peace."

We had Willie's memorial this month.

We celebrated his life and many people got to hear the gospel including his family and carers.

We had a few outreaches together and we have done some follow ups.

Medway

Greetings from the sunny Med.

Highlight of April was the wedding of Roland and Erika, registry office on the Thursday with African and Australian families - followed by a BBQ in the rain. Main event was on the Saturday in charming Chilham with saints from all over and friends and family too, a memorable occasion as weddings should be.



Rotterdam

Three people were born again of water and spirit this month. Our Saturday evening activities included mini-talks, question and answer, skits and songs, signs and wonders and a presentation about The city Tyre. This presentation demonstrates how accurate the Bible is. A few of the saints travelled to Hungary for their annual spring camp. We have had fun in learning the camp song they bought back with them

with our brethren, in our marriages and the most important, with the Lord. All is based on communication, respect, love. At the end of the month, we held a midweek meeting together with our French saints where we heard about signs, wonders, and miracles. And we had our monthly bible study with France where we discussed scriptures around the theme "hold fast what you received, don't give up."

We are looking forward to the next month where we keep going to serve the Lord.

Other assembly events included a short talk and items night and a look at coronation days in the bible - the week before the crowning of king Charles. Sundays we had visiting ministers in pastors Jeremy, Anthony and Jim, thanks to those fellas and their families We have started an informal second meeting, songs, poems, occasional testimonies ,and items along with something short and sharp from the scriptures. We pick a suitable moment to quieten the fellowship then the ministry then continue as where in fellowship. Shaping up nicely.

Poole

Greetings to all our brothers and sisters. This month we started our late afternoon Thursday outreach. We've also been out and about making the most of the Spring time. Ps Jimmy and family went to visit the Medway fellowship one weekend. There was a trip to Durlston Country Park where we enjoyed a good walk, a picnic and stunning views of the Dorset coastline. This was followed by an outreach and evening presentation on the theme of "Kings of Israel". Several people were spoken to with some showing a real interest in the things of the Lord and we wait to see what the fruit will be. We had a great evening of

DIY pizza making and these were cooked in the open-air in a wood fired pizza oven. Everyone was very creative and great fellowship was enjoyed while the pizzas were cooking. At the end of the month, the saints enjoyed an afternoon at The Blue Pool where we enjoyed a good walk and another picnic... and a great time of fellowship! That's it for this month!

Switzerland / Germany / Austria

At the beginning of the month Stephan and Zsuzsa went to Graz (Austria) on their way to the Hungarian camp to visit our brethren Robert, Szilvi and Viki. We had a wonderful time together. Many things were discussed regarding our walk in the Lord and how we can best serve the Lord. It was a very precious time for all of us and we

enjoyed coffee, a long walk (in the freezing cold) and a very delicious homemade dinner. Thank you very much! Then we all went together to a great Hungarian camp.

Before the camp we were able to visit our new Fellowship in Lajosmisze. It was very uplifting to meet the new brothers and sisters. Also, many thanks to our brothers and sisters in Hungary for the great organized Hungarian Camp, from which we returned home again very encouraged and uplifted.

In the middle of the month, we connected to West London for the second Sunday meeting and Stephan gave a presentation about Relationships. We have been reminded, to maintain our relationships





West London

This month we have seen visitors come through our meetings. We have also started promoting the London convention which will be held the first weekend of June. We have been busy with outreaching, letter boxing and personal invitations. We are expecting visitors and are praying for and anticipating revival. Praise the Lord! We heard uplifting and encouraging testimonies of how God works in all aspects of our lives:

A sister who suffered from deafness in one ear for a long period of time, was instantly healed after a brother and sister prayed and fasted for her.

A brother was healed of a painful sore

throat whilst praying with a sister on the way to a meeting.
A brother thanked the Lord for sparing him and his team as when deployed in Afghanistan, an IED exploded as their vehicle drove on a road. Not only were all lives spared but no major injuries were incurred. He knows it was the Lord.

A brother testified of how following surgery for a cancer scare, he was given the all clear. He confessed it was



a difficult and anxious time but gave the glory to God for the healing and thanked his brethren for their prayers throughout that time.

We also held an international diner evening where we got to taste delicious dishes and saw great outfits! So many diverse backgrounds but all one through the God's spirit.

Yorkshire

Signs & Wonders—recent testimony

A brother was having his lunch in a small café when one of the customers, an elderly lady, got into difficulty. The staff laid her on the floor and a woman who had some medical knowledge was trying to revive her, without success. The brother was able to get close enough to explain that he was a Christian and would like to lay hands on her head and pray, they agreed – he says she was very white and very cold, like a slab of marble. He prayed and before anything else could be done, she opened her eyes, the colour came back to her skin and she was able to talk as if nothing had happened. A great smile came upon her face and she said thank you for the prayer.

The following day the brother went back to the same café to follow up on what

happened next – an ambulance had been called and the crew had checked her over, stayed with her for about an hour, could find nothing wrong and sent her home with the friends that were with her.

Mark16:18

Sadly, our sister Lisa Hodgson passed away this month, but left a great testimony to her family who were amazed at the change that had taken place in her since she was born again. So much so that they want us to conduct the funeral, with one of her daughters asking to come to a Sunday meeting to find out what Lisa was involved in.

Brother Clive Roberts and his wife Christine have arrived back from their

journey through
Australia. Good to have
them back and to hear
of the things they have
seen and heard in our
Australian Fellowships.
Also this month, in
order to be closer to
her job in York,
Anastasia and her
mum Halyna (our two
Ukrainian sisters) have
moved up to Yorkshire

from West London. It has been quite miraculous how everything "fell into place" for them. They are a welcome addition to our fellowship here.

Once again, we have had to move our meeting place. Our landlord offered us a number of properties to choose from and the one we went for is a large shop, right in the centre of Wakefield. We have moved in and held our first Sunday meeting today, 7th May. Our brother David Provis and his wife Tina from Adelaide were at the meeting, as well as our sister Jean Sykes from New Zealand — it was a great day.

So much more to talk about....the saints are rejoicing, getting on with the job and anticipating that baptisms will follow.



Testimonies



I wasn't brought up with any belief in God, and didn't understand why people would believe in something they couldn't see and for which there was no evidence. As a teenager I was studying the sciences in college and becoming frustrated with the gaps in man's knowledge and the lack of meaning and purpose to find there. I was invited to a meeting and went

along with the intention of finding all the flaws to argue against. When the word was preached from the Bible, to my amazement I couldn't disagree or deny the truth of it. I was told about a sign which was the evidence of receiving God's Holy Spirit. I prayed for the first time that day and almost instantly spoke in tongues. All my scepticism dropped away and I was baptised the next Sunday.

Since then God has proven true to all of his promises. He healed me from confirmed appendicitis without any need of surgery. He has protected me from depression, which my siblings and parents have all suffered from. He has kept me through trials where I could not rely on men, but only on God. I thank God that He has revealed the meaning of life and laid down a clear purpose. I rejoice each day that he has called me to help build His church and given me a joyous truth to share with others.

Seth, Bristol UK



I heard the true meaning of bible salvation in 1992.

Before this I was involved in a Pentecostal denomination for a year, prior to hearing the full word. I heard people speaking in tongues, but I never thought that could happen to me.

I came along to a revival meeting to keep a promise I had made,

and I heard both adults and children speaking in tongues. This amazed me, as did the word which was preached that night. The word challenged my heart and I could not deny it. I decided to give my heart to God. I was baptised and received the Holy Spirit two months after that.

When I consider my life in Christ since my new birth, God has been constantly with me even when I messed things up. God picked me up and put me straight back on his narrow path. He has provided me a wife and children and grandchildren, employment and a house. He has healed me and my family. I can honestly say that without Christ in my life, I would not have a life.

Brian, Bristol UK