Revival News





European Monthly Report

February 2024



It was our turn to host the annual pastors and wives weekend this year, it turned out to be a full week as well as full weekend of visitors and their ministry.

We had 3 Dutch talks, Wednesday, Sunday and Wednesday, a lively and lovely time in a local restaurant on the Friday night - over three hours enjoying a special occasion. On Saturday some of the wives went to Greenwich and some chose a quiet house. The men met for pastors and leaders business with valuable contributors from across Europe and the world on zoom.

Saturday evening was short talks and items - *these and all the talks are available on Medway you tube channel.*

We had a baptism that Sunday - Zhane, who has received the Holy Spirit.

Our assembly is growing. That same Sunday some of our African brethren helped us learn a new song to us 'Imela' - it means 'thank you' in th Igbo language - we have added it to our chorus list. It's a beautiful song. We managed to get a day out in London with P Rene and his kids Nike and Evan - went to see Legion at the British museum - a special exhibition on life in the Roman army - pretty good.









The Cashford family reported a notable healing on their daughter Eva, who has just turned 4 - she had a kind of sleep apnea that as well as being worrying affected her growth. Doctors where consulted and operations where mentioned as a possible solution-though the waiting time is very long. After being prayed for she was healed, gained a big appetite and her height shot up in a matter of weeks

We ended the month celebrating our sister Jean Whittickers 95th birthday - a high tea and glad rags event. Jean is a great, young (at heart) sister. In the large sheltered accommodation block where she lives she is known as mother Theresa.

Pastor Steve Murphy, Revival Fellowship Medway UK

Server News, February 2024

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

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UK convention May 31—June 3

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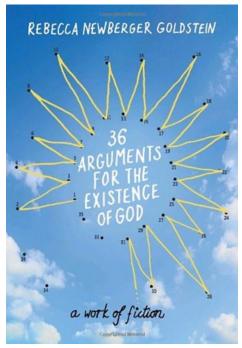
Outreach France Sept 13—15

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Editorial: 36 Arguments for the Existence of God



This book is a story of a chap called Cass Seltzer, a scientist who, in the tradition of Richard Dawkins, argues in 36 chapters the points FOR or AGAINST the existence of a God.

The end conclusion is in every chapter in favour of there being a God...

He says that the arguments FOR and AGAINST are sometimes very close. He has some interesting points, quote:

"Believing is resistance against the pointless"

He reasons that this resistance alone is not really a valid reason for believing, after all, something does not become true because it not being true is not acceptable.

The reverse is also true, not wanting to believe that God exists does not make that true

We know that Gods existence does not depend on mankind believing it. This goes for everything; it is a "technical" impossibility to state categorically that something does **not** exist.

After all, many recent discoveries, in any field have in the past not been known to exist and now are obvious to many.

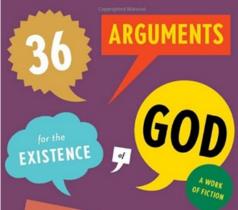
The Bible:

Ro 1:19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed [it] unto them.

20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,



The conclusion at the end of the book is, more or less, that becoming religious is a not a bad idea.

Quote from the book: "75% of Americans are God-fearing Christians etc..."

Of course this is not true, they might be religious but that is not the same as being a Christian.

Recently I had a discussion with a car salesman about believing. His words: "Believing is always a good thing" My Question: "How many disappointed people do you know?" After thinking for a while he replied: "Quite a lot really" My comment: "That is because they believed in something which was proven to be not true, only believing in something which is true has lasting value"

one found in the book. There is one more argument for the

My end-conclusion is different than the

existence of God.







It is the personal experience of being filled with Gods Spirit and experiencing the signs, wonders and miracles. That is truly the most important one and it's available without "breaking" your brains trying to follow all the books written for and against.



Have fun. **Ps Piet Visser**

Heard from the platform:

- God can turn a mess into a message.
- The Lord pleads with us to choose life.
- Be sensible. Listen and obey.
- God chose us with all our flaws as His tools to accomplish His work.
- The church is here to remind us, there is more than this natural life.
- Do you believe God is in control?
- Keep aiming for God's space.
- Don't believe a little bit, believe it all.
- Are you happy to change if you need to?
- Set goals for witnessing, challenge yourself to do something new (invite 3 people to a meeting this week, leave a leaflet or a printed report in the staff room at work...)
- Consider: Does everyone you know, know that you know God?
- God's kingdom is a kingdom of peace we are building it each time we extend the Gospel message to someone.
- Our desires should be the same as God's, saving people!
- We should see a child of God in all of our brethren: someone who wants to go to the end with God.
- In a team you must be humble; in the body of Christ, everyone Is the same.
- God has given us a treasure—how are we using it?
- God cares about our situations.

Revival across Europe and the UK

Baptisms in February: 2 in Hungary (1 pictured), 3 in the Netherlands, 7 in the UK (4 pictured)



















Suriname report and testimonies

February was a fun month. It started with a Saturday "Questions and Answers" session, where several interesting questions were asked.

A next-gen activity was also planned for the month, focusing on relationships. We also had a Saturday meeting with short talks in which a few young brothers in the Lord shared what they had found in the Bible. It remains special to see how all the conversations naturally connect without any prior arrangement. Seeing and hearing the unity in the Spirit continues to be a unique experience. Additionally, the Sunday school had its first "Questions and Answers" session. It was surprising to hear the questions asked by the children and to see their perspective on God. In February, we also kicked off the brotherhood evenings. The theme was "getting to know each other better," aiming not just to understand what's happening in the lives of our brothers but also to pray more specifically for each other. We wrapped up the month with a game & quiz night, testing Bible knowledge in a fun and interactive way. The questions were all topics discussed in recent Wednesday and Sunday gatherings. It was amusing to see who was attentive during the meetings and who might have been sleeping. As for revival and visitors, it was a relatively quiet month. As far as we're concerned, the revival fire could certainly be stoked! *Ps Guillaume, TRF Suriname*

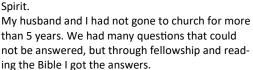
Hey brothers and sisters! My testimony started on August 18, 2021. It so happened that I had been in ministry in a church for about 8 years and I played various instruments. I thought I was in a good position and didn't have to do anything more than just give it my all. The Holy Spirit was spoken of, but not specifically stated how to receive it and what its importance was. I also had to pray a conversion prayer



and wait for a certain period of time to be baptized. I was also in a relationship, engaged to the pastor's daughter and at one point things went very wrong and I cried out to God. God answered my call and I came into contact with brother Remie, who invited me to attend a meeting. Everything was new and different, quiet and easy to follow, but still strange for me at the time. After the meeting I was called aside and asked some questions. What I found special is that all the answers came from the Bible. I was asked if I have received the Holy Spirit and I wasn't sure. We then prayed and I immediately noticed a sign because the sound that came out of my mouth changed. It was confirmation for me. I immediately decided to complete the picture and be baptized. I wanted to become a child of God! This life is a privilege for me, ups and downs, but through it all I learn to trust God more. Signs and wonders that I have experienced are that I was able to pray for a job so that I could be at the camp and God gave me a job where I had a vacation and so I could experience all the camps. Recently, a big miracle for me is that after being in a car accident where I Nathanyel, Suriname broke my ankle, I can now walk again.

My testimony began on December 16, 2019.

I heard the true gospel in Pastor Guillaume's office. In the beginning, I did not have much interest because I had been going to church since childhood. I had received the Holy Spirit when I was 11 years old. I was not taught then how to use the Holy Spirit





Nevertheless, I was still very sceptical. But after observing the walk of brothers and sisters I wanted to put a lot in order with God myself before I could go to the meeting again. I was taught that I must give God space in this. I decided to do that and the first miracle I experienced was learning to forgive people who had hurt me. I was not well aware of this until six months later. My husband did not go to the meeting with me in the beginning. For this, my daughter and I began to pray and point out through our walk how different we have become.

Not long after, my family was complete and soon we were blessed as a family with a second baby. In childbirth, my blood pressure became so high that intervention had to be taken very quickly or it could go wrong. Through prayer, we survived together. Another great miracle was that my father became infected with Corona 3 weeks after my delivery. He was in Intensive Care for 6 weeks. Through prayer my father was healed. I always found it difficult to join the outreach. I always tried to make up a reason not to go. But in the new year, I was able to overcome this by spontaneously going along to share the gospel. *Pamela, Suriname*

The Revival Fellowship in:



Almere

This month has flown by very quickly. We started off with an evening of questions and answers. Many of the questions that also were raised on outreaches were answered from the Bible. There is no doubt about the purpose of God's Word. That man can be saved is definitely God's will.

Many nice items were given during a musical evening. Young and old sang praises to God, giving glory to Him for all

the things He has done in our lives. Andrew and Chirag both gave very nice talks during a mini-talks-night. Brother Andrew talked about what it means to be a good report in this world. Brother Chirag talked about our relationship with God; do we do things by duty or by love? Further along we keep going out with the Word of God as what we are

called for. We see that people have questions about God and by showing them the scriptures, God gives them personal answers. It is our privilege to be part of God's plan and see more souls getting saved, until Jesus comes back. Let's not lose enthusiasm but endure till the time of His return is here!

Bristol

February was a month of positive change in Bristol.

We'd been looking for a new hall for a while, as our current venue was quite out of the way and not fruitful for new souls. A potential new hall had been spotted during an outreach in January and we arranged to try it out for one Sunday



meeting in February. The trial was a great success and the decision was made for us to

permanently move halls from March. We had another outreach a few days after the decision to move halls was made, and a new couple who'd been handed a leaflet came to the next Sunday meeting. It turned out they only lived a few minutes walk away from our new hall & they've been back several times since.

The following week a lady from Wales found us through our website and reached out for prayer. She was prayed for and has

> made plans to join us for a meeting at our new hall. The assembly was also granted registered charity status which was a great blessing for us and added to our many reasons for rejoicing.

Our sister Wendy went into hospital towards the end of the month and has been constantly upheld in prayer.

Many worst-case scenarios she was given

have not come to pass and the Lord has given much comfort to her family in a difficult time. We continue our prayers as we see the Lord working in her recovery day-by-day. God is

Dear brethren, we are

all so happy to inform you about what happened this month in our fellowship. During a relaxed bowling afternoon we had guests to testify to about how great our God is. Also we had a very uplifting

evening with the saints in Hungary, during our Hungarian-Czech combined evening. We enjoyed testimonies, talks, songs and online fellowship afterwards. As icing on the cake we had brother Béla visiting us from Budapest on that evening, and gave the talk on Sunday about how practical the book of Acts is. Ps Olda and Eva joined the fellowship in Liverpool, and came back after a bit longer than a week so uplifted and one Saturday afternoon we enjoyed many testimonies which they told us from the time spend there. Dan went to Adelaide for about two weeks. One Saturday we had a nice outreach in Hradec Kralove, a big city about 40 Km, from Trutnov. We hope and pray to see people coming. God bless you all.



We very much enjoyed our dinner night this month organized by the children and young people around the theme 'using our talents'. We had good fun listening to musical items, a skit and enjoying yummy food. It was great to see that a few classmates of our young people also attended.

This month one new brother was added to the church. Just before the meeting our sister spoke to him. He decided to come to the meeting and was born again that same day.

A sister shared in her testimony that she was healed from a painful leg. Another sister received an amazing healing from Irritable Bowel Syndrome and allergies this month. She had been suffering from this for five years. During that time she could only tolerate five to seven food products, and ate the same thing every day. Almost

every other product she tried resulted in symptoms like shortness of breath and intestinal pains. During these years she sometimes doubted whether God wanted to heal her, but through the scriptures He showed her that she









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needed to build up her faith and that it was His desire to heal her. This month at a sister's birthday dinner party a young Spirit filled sister told her that she believed that the Lord could heal her and that she would be able to eat everything again. The young sister put her faith into practice and gathered other brothers and sisters together to pray for her with laying on of hands. After this prayer she felt that she was healed. Since that moment she can eat normally again. Praise the Lord for His healing power, and praise the Lord for this inspiring young sister!

Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.' (1 TIM 4:12)

France

It has been exciting to see some visitors



coming along to check out the meetings this month. For example, Pedro who stopped going to churches 3 years ago because he was disillusioned with it all. He walked past our hall, as he lives in the

neighbourhood, and thought that the fellowship looked a bit different from what he had seen before. He came the following Sunday and was excited to see that the Word was preached from the Bible, not just a

pastor's ideas. He has been coming along for a few weeks now and also invited his cousin. He is being encouraged to take the essential steps needed to be born again ... stay tuned!

Edouard started a presentation series on beasts in the Bible. It is fascinating to see that many modern nations still use the eagle, the bear, the lion and the dragon as symbols, and how the Bible describes the behaviour of these animals—and nations—very accurately.

Hungary

In February two people got baptised, and



two received the gift of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues. Wednesday night meetings in Gödöllő temporarily moved to another location for the Winter months, and they took place in a room at a university campus near the usual hall used. A number of students from the dormitories stopped by, or visited meetings. Emmy, a student from Rwanda, received the message in a humble way and came to a Sunday meeting too to get baptised, and received

the gift of the Holy Spirit. His family were caught up in the problems in Rwanda and his father was killed. He came to Hungary to build a new future and was allowed to study here. His gratitude to the Lord for everything was clear to us all. George, another student but this time from Damascus, received the Holy Spirit towards the end of the month and wanted to be baptised but unfortunately was unwell.

In Lajosmizse Zoltán got baptised after hearing the word on an outreach. We held a prayer and fast. February was busy also fellowship-wise: sister Kata visited from Singapore, Balázs and Jenna from Adelaide and Ps. Chris and Mónika from Sydney. A sister saw the Lord's hand in getting a social worker help in with her elderly mother. We held a Zoom dinner evening with our Czech Brethren, involving testimonies items and talks which were very encouraging.

Liverpool

We had three baptisms this month, Jessie, Dan and Courtney. Dan received the Holy Spirit, and Jessie and Courtney are both still praying for the Holy Spirit. During our second meeting we had a musical outreach—Courtney had been waiting for 2 years at other churches to be baptised. She heard the full gospel that day and came back to be baptised. We also had a Czech dinner night with Pastor Olda and Eva visiting us. We had a musical outreach in the city





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centre on Saturday too, with some fellowship afterwards.

Poole

Greetings to all our brothers and sisters from the saints in the Poole Assembly. February has been damp and cold but fellowship has been great. We started the month with a Greek themed dinner night and were treated to a variety of delicious Greek savoury and sweet delights — our brothers and sisters have hidden culinary talents and we thoroughly enjoyed the evening. There was a presentation regarding the basic salvation pattern which reminds us how different we are in the Lord.

We also had a local assembly outreach in Bournemouth, with lots of takers and a few people stopping by resulting in an observer at the meeting. This was followed by a presentation about The

Future. It was amazing to see how God's word speaks of the state of the world now and the future ahead of us which gives us peace and

comfort. But for the time being, we continue to do the Lord's work as many people still need to hear the message before that day happens!

So until next time, bye for now!

Pastors & wives dinner, Medway

Rotterdam

Greetings all!

This month we had two people born again of water and spirit. Some of our activities included a presentation about the pyramid of Gizeh. A couple of brothers shared some thoughts from the Bible one evening and on another night questions were answered from the Bible. There was a county & western concert

one Saturday night. A few new people attended which made it for a great night.

Switzerland / Germany / Austria This month

This month
Katharina and
Luise had a visit

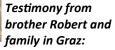
from Ps. Chris Kaye and Matthew in Nuremberg: We greatly appreciated the personal exchange about general things and experiences.

For example, the following report from Brother Matthew was impressive: many years

ago, he gave English lessons to a 17-yearold boy and repeatedly included the Word of God. The boy was not particularly interested. The boy, now in his 30s, contacted Brother Matthew via Facebook. He was wondering about God and was ready to find out more. The only person he could think of as a suitable person was Brother Matthew.

Isaiah 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not

return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.



We decided to move into a new apartment, so within a month Viki found an apartment that was exactly what we had been praying for: it had to be enough space for us to invite brothers and sisters in the future. We initially fell in love with this apartment but left everything to the Lord. At one point we received a call that someone else was interested in the apartment, so we prayed with great effort and the Lord blessed it. There were difficulties at first, but the Lord helped us. We finally received the keys to the apartment and are very happy. The Lord also helped us with the price. For the first three months we only have to pay about



half the normal rent. We praise the Lord for everything!

West London

This month we have had three baptisms; Ruth, the sister of our brother Simon K, received the Holy-Spirit at her first Sunday meeting and was baptised the following Sunday. Our sister Sarah B had been witnessing to a lady patient at her work place: she came to a Sunday meeting with her two young daughters and baby. The mother was already spirit filled but her two daughters, 12 and 10, both received the Holy Spirit and were baptised.

We also had Ps Rene from Almere and his two children visiting us for a Sunday meeting as well as Edouard, Meg from France and their two children visiting for over a week. We very much appreciated their fellowship and the ministry we received from both Ps Rene and Edouard. This month we also held a Wednesday meeting in Aldershot, an area outside London where quite a few families who work for the army live. We had a very good turnout with a new family. The mum received the Holy Spirit and is yet to be baptised. It was a very exciting meeting, followed by great fellowship and an abundance of delicious Fijian sweets!



