

# Revival News



## European Monthly Report

October 2022



Czech camp



Ireland camp



Ireland camp



Vancouver meeting

### AUTUMN CAMPS 2022

This month, camps were well supported in Czech Republic and Ireland with a record numbers of visiting saints.

Also in this edition, look forward to good news from afar with articles on Pastor Piet and Netty's trip to Vancouver and the latest revival in Aruba. Keep reading until the last page to be encouraged and inspired by the testimony of Pastor Martin Polhill.



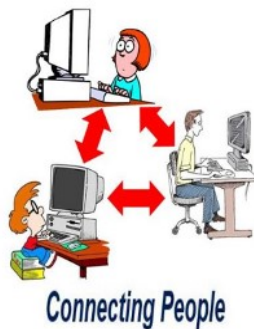
Czech camp

#### Server News, October 2022

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#### Looking ahead:

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*Please note: as always, you need approval from your local pastor/leader to visit other assemblies..*

## Editorial: The greatest danger

The greatest danger to the effectiveness of any **Revival** situation has always been divisions within the church.

Most of the first epistle from Paul to the Corinthian church deals with this.

**1Co 1:10** Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

11 For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.

12 Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of **Paul**; and I of **Apollos**; and I of **Cephas**; and I of **Christ**.

13 Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?

So, we see here a possible 4 way split and possibly a number of swinging voters among this as well.

Needless to say that in cases like this, Revival is not going to happen and miracles and healings will also suffer.

And then there is the possibility that...

**Ac 20:30** Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.

And...

The fourth possibility in 1Co 1:12, "I of Christ"

These are the people who have become their own pastor and consider themselves to be above the structure of the Church.

This structure is as described here:

**Eph 4:11** And He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

**13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:**

14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

Now there have always been attempts to destroy unity and sabotage the plan of God.

In the old testament there are many examples of how this is done. All have to do with destroying unity and mostly lead by men and women of an inflated sense of ego. A well known story is:

**Nu 16:1** Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men:

2 And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown:

3 And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and the LORD is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the LORD?

This was a strong accusation against Moses personally.

The end result of all of this was close on 15,000 deaths!

Home work, read the book of Jude...



In my first fourteen years in the Lord, "growing up" in Adelaide I learned a lot of things regarding this subject.

At first, I was astounded to discover that not everybody was as delighted as I was with my born again experience, my assembly, my pastors and oversight. I learned about disgruntled people and why they were disgruntled.

I must honestly say that I have rarely come across a justified grudge. It was mostly about unimportant things. What was astounding though was that some people go on as good loyal saints for many years and then something happens

and they change completely. I have never understood this.

All this stuff will always create an environment of "Us and Them". If not fixed it will grow further into: **Heb 12:15** Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;

So, an effective fellowship, in signs, wonders and miracles, including regular baptisms, is a unified fellowship.

Home work: Ps 133, Gal 4:16 and John 15:1-2

**Ps Piet Visser**



### From the Ireland camp platform:

- The importance praying for others
- Face the uncertainty with God. Our actions do make a difference.
- Your assembly needs you to be committed to saving souls. Stop thinking about yourself first.
- Even the Lord prayed early to prepare himself.
- Don't be overly focused on the little things and miss the big miracles!
- They stoned Stephen not because he was wrong but because of their self importance.
- If you're battling with a victory or two ask yourself: have you stopped being a fisher of men?
- Be aware of "The Table Trap": Don't allow the blessings that you have overtake you .
- It only takes a micro second to turn back to the Lord!

### From the Czech camp platform:

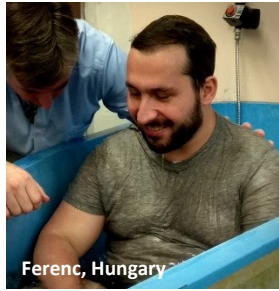
- The almighty God, the Creator, is willing to spend time with you personally
- You can measure your relationship with God by how good your weakest relationship with your brother or sister is
- You can be an example and encourage your brethren even in tough times
- We always have 'two mites' to give, and that is enough to save someone
- Don't get caught up in worldly thoughts and ideas; spending time on this will only bring us down
- Having fellowship is not just about spending idle time together, but having real spiritually encouraging conversations
- You cannot separate your relationship with God from your relationship with your brothers and sisters

# Revival across Europe and the UK

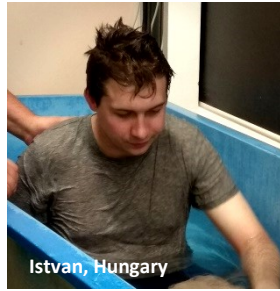
Baptisms in October : 1 in Czech, 1 in France, 3 in Hungary, 3 in the Netherlands, 3 in the UK,



Zsuzsi, Hungary



Ferenc, Hungary



Istvan, Hungary



Doris, Almere



George, Almere



Natalka, Czech



Robert, Liverpool



Omar, France



Matias, Dordrecht



Max & family, Medway



Thanuja & family, Medway

*John 4 vs 14  
 «the water that I shall give  
 him shall be in him  
 a well of water springing up  
 into everlasting life»*

## Vancouver Trip



Really that big??

During the first 10 days of October we were in Vancouver, visiting the fellowship which recently (re) joined the Revival Fellowship.

Almost exactly 50 years after the parting of ways, we are now joined together again. A real miracle has happened.

Netty and I were made welcome and the photos seen here speak for themselves. Many discussions took place, some exploring of “What do you believe?, what do I believe?” etc went on and some “initial misgivings?” were put to rest. Confidence and trust grew and at the last evening of our visit we had a BBQ, dinner evening where virtually the whole of the fellowship turned up.

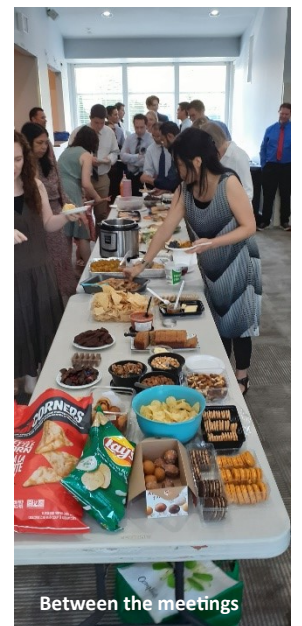


Sunday meeting

All our travelling went smoothly. Apart from our transfer in Paris. The onwards flight waited nearly an hour and we could just make it. We had to run which doesn't go so easy anymore. But we made it!

All in all, something to build upon further and, for sure, a great asset is added to our worldwide fellowship in the Lord.

**Pastor Piet Visser, RF Holland**



Between the meetings



Last evening



View from Pastor Ben's place

# Czech Camp 2022: Our fellowship with the Father, Jesus & each other

The theme for this year's camp came from 1 John 1:3 and Acts 2:46 and it was about encouraging one another and drawing close to the Lord.

This camp had record attendance especially thanks to a large contingent of saints visiting from Holland. It was a fantastic testimony to us here in Czech that so many came from so far (Holland, Hungary and the UK) to support us here and it really showed the love of the brethren. Even before the camp started the atmosphere was very encouraging. We had fellowships full of shared testimonies and lots of laughs.

The camp itself is in the picturesque village of Radvanice in the forested rolling hills of the "Hawk mountains". God blessed us with perfect weather and we got to spend plenty of time outside with the brethren. We took a walk where we had question cards which prompted us to discuss our last overcoming, recent witnesses and much more. Also it allowed us to indulge in the famous Czech tradition of roasting sausage over the fire on the end of a stick for lunch.



The quality of the talks from the stage was great with God instructing us on a wide range of topics including our relationships with each other and with him. We spoke about how to build up each other and how to be built up. The importance of helping and the importance of being able to accept help. As you would expect there was some very impressive musical talent to be admired during the items and some funny skits too. The meetings were very uplifting.

On Saturday a large group of us headed into Trutnov for witnessing. We almost outnumbered the rest of the townsfolk! But in the pleasant autumn sunshine we got to preach to a number of people and even one prayed for the Holy Spirit. Hopefully he'll take up the invitation to come to a meeting and find out more about salvation. After returning it was time for a very insightful and entertaining presentation about relationships from pastor Ben. Before we had to go to dinner there was still time to sneak in a quick prayer meeting for those seeking the Holy Spirit and that's when our new sister Natalka Stribrna received the Holy Spirit.

After the communion meeting the next day it was time to break up camp but the fun was not completely over. We had the "traditional" after-camp fellowship with pizzas at the fellowship hall in Trutnov, where we had Natty's baptism and the fellowship rolled over into the following day as our brothers and sisters started to return home.

Thanks to everyone who came and helped make the camp such a great success. For those who wished to come but couldn't then keep it in prayer for next year. If the Lord has not come back we will be doing it again, if He has then see you there in the air!

**Revival Fellowship Czech Republic**



## Revival in Aruba

Aruba, an island located in the mid-south of the Caribbean Sea, is part of the Netherlands. In April this year, two couples from the Netherlands (Roy & Maricelle, Bert & Klaasje) visited Aruba to support the saints and to preach the Gospel.

Roy & Maricelle, being originally from Aruba, had been witnessing to a lot of their family members on the island. This resulted in the baptism of Felix, Maricelle's brother. In September, Bert & Klaasje revisited the saints in Aruba. They were very happy to have fellowship with the brethren and they continued to preach the Word. During their stay four people were baptized. What a joy to see God's kingdom expand!

**Brother Bert, RF Dordrecht**



# Ireland Autumn Camp 2022



**Greetings from Ireland. It's hard to believe our Autumn Camp is over but it was truly a memorable one.** This year our Autumn camp commenced on Wednesday 26th until Sunday 30th October in Beaufort House near Killarney. It is set in 40 acres of woodland overlooking the River Laune. Beaufort House and the Courtyard Cottages provide luxury self-catering accommodation for 30 people in County Kerry. We had 36 Adults and 1 child, from Adelaide, Rotterdam, North London, West London, Yorkshire and Liverpool. We hired out the full site which included the 18th Century House, to maximise numbers (30 on a shared basis) and the remainder booked accommodation off site.

Throughout the week we heard really uplifting and inspiring talks, heart felt testimonies, songs and witnessed some funny skits too. In between the meetings we had time for lots of fellowship; relaxing in the lovely holiday homes; exploring the woodlands and breathtaking spots in Killarney, despite the drizzly weather! It really was an amazing camp, Praise The Lord. We appreciate everybody who travelled from near and afar. Everybody who came really participated in every aspect and it made for a happy camp indeed. All testimonies, talks and items are available on our YouTube channel: Ireland Revival Fellowship.

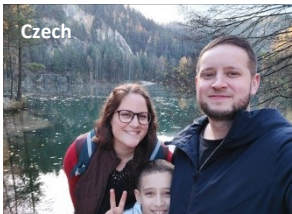
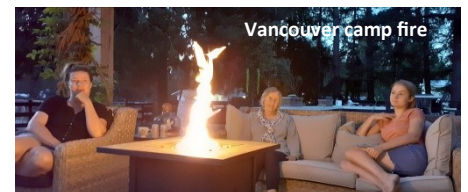
We look forward to our next Autumn camp, which we are happy to announce (God willing) will be:

**Wednesday 25th until Sun, 29th October 2023.**

God Bless until next time. **Revival Fellowship Ireland**



## More highlights from October



# The Revival Fellowship in:



## Almere

We were very happy to see two people being born again in October. Doris was looking for a church where she could really serve God and be close to Him, that was what she was praying about. One day the daughter of her neighbour locked herself out, and luckily she had the key to their house. That's the way she heard the Gospel as the girls' mum knew us and told her about us. Where a door gets closed an other door opens!

George came to the meeting, a school friend of our young sister Bionda and he got convicted by the pure Word of God and decided to take action. The smile on his face was not possible to be wiped off after he got baptised and Spirit filled! Questions and answers night was done in groups, we dug deep in our bibles and found lots of answers.

At our annual badminton competition, there were some visitors who heard and saw the testimonies of brethren. It was good to see the eagerness of brethren in doing sports and in preaching the Gospel.

There was a presentation about 7 facts that prove that the bible is true. Praise the Lord that His Word is truly unfailing, giving us guidance at all times! During signs and wonders evening brethren shared testimonies how God worked together with them and performed miracles and wonders in other people's lives. Too many to name them all here but we will share them with you at camp!

## Bristol

October felt like a month of consolidation for the Bristol fellowship. Quite a number of people were spoken to on a personal basis and we hope for

fruit in the months ahead. Our Wednesday meeting format is now in place for those who live in Bristol. For those who live remotely, in Milton Keynes, Stoke and Derby, zoom is used. We had a good prayer & fast mid-month; we heard inspired talks from seven of the brothers on a range of themes including 'Welcome and Unwelcome Visitors', 'Discovery' and 'Spiritual Maturity'.

Finally, we had a visit from Pr Jim Masau and his family. Pr Jim gave a talk on the subject 'Track & Trace' – how the acts of notable men in Bible history are traceable through the later books of the Bible so that we keep their example in mind. As the Masau family was in Bristol for a few days, the local folk were keen to provide some home fellowship for them – and some late evenings, I hear.

## Czech Republic

October was a month where we did mostly two things, outreach and fellowship. We went to a close-by town, Dvur Kralove, for witnessing and also had an outreach in Trutnov. One funny coincidence was that on both outreaches we met a man that our brother had been witnessing to at work. He got an extra portion of the gospel! He was convinced to come to see a meeting and also dropped in to visit our camp at the end of the month.

There were also a series of fellowships, especially with our visiting saints from Holland who came for our camp. We shared testimonies and experience from the Word and from our walks and had a great time together. Then it was time for the camp, you can read more about that in the special report. One particular highlight from camp was that Natty Stribrna received the Holy Spirit at the prayer meeting. She was baptised on



Sunday evening back at our hall during the post-camp fellowship and pizza evening. Camp was great, thanks to everyone who helped make it a success.

## Dordrecht

In October Matías from Argentina was born again in Dordrecht. He came to the Netherlands for a holiday. During his stay he met up with our brother Jorge, who's originally from Argentina. They know each other from Argentina. He came to the meeting, and was born again that same evening. He went back to his country as a child of God. We keep him in our prayers. This month Ron and Ashley (and big brother Jace) were blessed with the birth of their son (and brother) Aiden. We are very happy for them! A group of saints from Dordrecht went to Czech camp. They brought back a lot of spiritual inspiration.



## France

An exciting month with another soul saved: our new brother Omar comes from a muslim family but was trying to find out how to convert to Christianity. He had been attending the local catholic church when he ran into brother Alain at our market outreach. After getting the real story on how to be saved, he came along to a Sunday meeting and was baptised, received the Holy Spirit and started to get used to praying in the Spirit—in tongues. He got his first answer to prayer the next day when he was offered a job.

## Hungary

Praise the Lord in October a dry period ended in the Budapest Fellowship: we



# The Revival Fellowship in:

prayed for revival and saw three baptisms. We did a kids' play after which conversations with the guests resulted in three of them receiving the Holy Spirit. A



young couple travelled to their parents' town and although the situation was much against evangelizing, they overcame and the Lord could guide them to meet a couple who were genuinely interested in the gospel so the lady got Spirit filled that day. A fifth person received the Holy Spirit on a Sunday meeting. A couple organised a garage sale where local people heard the word of God. Plans and arrangements were made to start Wednesday meetings every fortnight in Lajosmizse which is an hour's drive from Budapest. Local saints are very enthusiastic about this. Most of us took part in the Czech Autumn camp, some overcoming great difficulties on the way. A young sister saw God's glory when it turned out that she knew the bible better than her classmates and she could tell why. A sister praises the Lord for a new place she could move in and for the help she received in moving. Another sister saw God's hand as some complicated regulations changed so they now don't have to pay a large sum to register the house and property they moved in. A brother was healed by prayer of a vascular tumor on his hand that doctors believed will need to be removed with surgery.

## Liverpool

Our sister Kath passed away this month; we will all miss her for now but rejoice that she will see the Lord. One of Kath's favourite choruses was "One fine morning when this life is over, I'll fly away."



Robert, Stacey's husband, was baptised this month.

We had our first "5 smooth stones" with the kids where we went over some scriptures that we use when we witness to people. After that we had a movie night where everyone could come. We had a games night with a few new people coming along, and a Mark 16 evening where we shared healing testimonies together. We have had a number of visitors to our fellowship football games who have been able to hear miracles and see the testimony of the Lord's people. Kasia's dad passed away and a few saints could go to the funeral to support the family. Kasia's nan was prayed for and was very grateful that we laid hands on her and prayed in tongues.

## Medway

Max (aged 10) and Thanuja where baptised in October, Max has been spirit filled for a while, Thanuja received the Holy Spirit the following



Wednesday sitting in her seat at the meeting. Another addition on the last day of the month is a baby girl for Paul and Triona (left of photo), Ariella came in at 7lb 5oz. The ladies had a baby shower for our Georgia (right of photo), after Triona we have three more babies on the way in the next month or so.

A Canadian thanksgiving dinner and a prayer and breakfast filled our other Saturdays



## Poole

During October, we've been enjoying lots of evenings of presentations and fellowship dinners including a Revelation Evening where Ps Jim talked about aspects of understanding the book of Revelation. We also enjoyed a 'Bible Favourites and Sweets' night where brothers and sisters shared scriptures which had particularly inspired them. These included Mark 8 v 35-37, Romans 8 v26-28, James 1 v5-7, Matthew 10 v16 and Psalm 48 v14 – maybe you can be inspired by these as well! We heard of the good things that happen when we look to the Lord for direction, healing and the different circumstances we find ourselves in. The Masaus visited the assembly in Bristol and enjoyed time with the brothers and sisters there. Later, we had a presentation on the state of the world and what the Bible says about the end times. We were blessed to have two visitors for the evening who had the opportunity to find out what the Bible actually says about the times we are living in. The visitors found the talk quite startling but we look forward to seeing what the Lord has in store for them. It's clear to see that God's word confirms why the world is the way it is! Bye for now until next time.

## Rotterdam

Hallo Brethren two Camps this month. Czech and Ireland. Quite a group of us travelled to Czech for the camp which was enjoyed by all. Another group travelled to Ireland for their camp and again a great time was had. Thank you to both Fellowships for putting these Camps on. A great way to build on unity in Christ.

Also this month we had a sports day combined with Dordrecht and then later pancakes at the hall. There was also a testimony night where Pastor John Kuhlman's testimony was shared with us all.

# The Revival Fellowship in:



At our monthly bible study with France, we focused on making a stand for the Lord.

“When we don’t constantly make a stand for the Lord, then we become doubleminded”.

*James 4:7-8 ...Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.*

**Testimony: Sister Zsusza** It started with a tingling sensation in one finger on my left hand for a few days. Over time it affected more fingers and finally about half of my hand. I was tempted to check on the internet what it could be, but thought, it is better to focus completely on the Lord and rely completely on Him through prayer. After 2 weeks I realized that the Lord had completely healed me. Praise God!

## West London

Another month has gone by, rejoicing in our fellowship with one another, spreading the word and enjoying seeing new ones walk on, enjoying being part of the work. One of our activities for this month

was sharing in scriptures that have helped us or that mean something special to us for one reason or another. Unfortunately, due to some unforeseen circumstances, we were locked out of our hall! It didn’t deter us from finding a coffee shop, getting tables together and sharing in scriptures with our bible open and a warm coffee! Our sisters Anastasia and Halina shared scriptures that helped them after the passing of our brother Nicolas and a recurring theme was how we are the light in this dark world. Some testimonies: a brother who was suddenly made redundant, was soon after offered two good jobs to choose from; a young sister who was struggling to get a job interview got one after prayer with some sisters! Praise the Lord for His goodness.

## Switzerland / Germany / Austria

At the beginning of the month, we had a Communion meeting together with West London. Brother Stephan spoke about “having control over our thoughts”.

*Isaiah 26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.*

If our thoughts are with God and the things of God, then we will experience perfect peace.

Then we held a midweek meeting together with the French saints where we heard about “being an example”.

*1Timothy 4:12 ... in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.*

- We can inspire one another and keep one another sharp, by simply being an example.



## Remembering Pastor Martin Polhill.



**Martin came to the Lord in 1986 after being told the Gospel eight years previously by his Uncle Sid and Auntie Jill who had come to the Lord in Australia. His mum, dad and aunt were converted and continued to faithfully preach to Martin and his wife, Lisa. The turning point came when some families from Adelaide came to the UK to see if they could start a fellowship in the North London area.**

Around this time Martin and Lisa met the saints. His mum suggested the pastor pray for their son, Russell, who was suffering with a food intolerance. Knowing they always wanted what was best for their son, Martin and Lisa agreed. Russ was healed. Just a few weeks later, Lisa came home and announced she wanted to be baptised. This was a huge shock to Martin who had always been the one who had an understanding that baptism was important. They were baptised and a few months later Martin received the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues. If you asked him, he would probably say that the most notable changes were that Lord gave him confidence and a clear direction to follow. He loved being part of a worldwide fellowship where the Truth was faithfully shared.

In 2017, Martin was diagnosed with kidney cancer which had already spread. The doctors told him this was incurable, but some treatment could be offered. During the next five and a half years there were many ups and downs, but the Lord was there throughout. At one time, Martin required radiosurgery for a brain tumour. Four weeks later this had grown so quickly that the surgeon was unable to ‘zap’ it all. He would have to have further major surgery. After prayer, without any further treatment, the tumour reduced from 27mm to 3mm.

In the last few months of his life Martin continued praising the Lord and was at peace. He fell asleep to wait for the resurrection. One of his favourite stories from the Bible was about the woman who boldly proclaimed ‘it is well’. That was always how he lived and would have wanted us to continue on with.

**Recounted by Sister Lisa, RF North London**