

Revival News



European Monthly Report

September 2022



Baptism—Meredith



Camp meeting

SURINAME CAMP

The Surinamese camp had the theme "Put on the whole armor of God". A lot of great things happened at camp. Here are just a few highlights.

Donovon en Tatjana who had already been baptized but had not yet received the Spirit received the Holy Spirit during the camp. It was certainly an emotional moment for Tatjana because she cried with joy.

Meredith (Chiquita's sister) who attended the meetings several times and was at the camp had decided to be baptized. She had already received the Holy Spirit before.

A number of young brothers in the Lord gave a talk at the camp for the first time, the youngest of whom was 14 years old!! It's a shame the talks weren't recorded. It was a fantastic camp. Not only have the bonds between brothers and sisters been strengthened, but everyone was also encouraged to do more, which was noticeable. The next outreach 7 people received the Holy Spirit !!

Read the full Suriname report for September on page 3

Server News, September 2022

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

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

Editorial: Christian and buddhist

(From a local newspaper: Trouw)

At the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam, research is being conducted into how religion is changing and transforming. 'People are increasingly drawing inspiration from multiple faiths and seem to have less and less need for religious identification.'

Religion is not disappearing, says André van der Braak. He is professor of comparative philosophy of religion at the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam. "People are religious in a different way than they used to be," he says. "They are not limited to one religion, but are inspired by multiple worldviews. They also have less need for religious identification."



Diana Vernooij: "I read stories in the Bible that gave me stepping stones to stand in the world with meekness and strength".

She is a Christian **and** Buddhist, says Diana Vernooij (66). She has been a pastor at de Duif, a Christian faith community in Amsterdam, for thirty years. For her sermons she also draws inspiration from Buddhism. "There are people who claim that I cannot be both Christian and Buddhist. If you don't believe in the father, son, and holy spirit, you

wouldn't be a Christian. I've also had a Buddhist teacher who said if you don't believe in reincarnation, you're not a Buddhist. I'm not worried about those dogmas. I see God and Buddha as concepts that I explore and internalize. In my eyes, Buddha and God are active forces or life energies."

So, what's new?

When the Israelites had been in Egypt for approximately 215 years, they left this country around 1446 BC. The Egyptians were glad to see them go...

Ex 12:33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We be all dead men.

But...

Ex 12:38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle.

So, when they left, many people left with them who were not really Israelites.

These people, just mixed together with them, became a real problem further on in history. Read...

Nu 11:4 And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?

5 We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick:

6 But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eyes.

This principle of mixing the real God and his service with religion is all around us. With what results?



Another well known story is recorded in 1Kings 18. The worship of Baal.

Baal worship took many forms, and the result of this worship is beautifully recorded in...

1Ki 18:28 And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, till the blood gushed out upon them.

*29 And it came to pass, when midday was past, and they prophesied until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that **there was neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any that regarded.***

And THAT is what it is all about.

All that mixed stuff can sound nice, but at the end it simply does not work. No signs, wonders and miracles, point out.

Ps Piet Visser

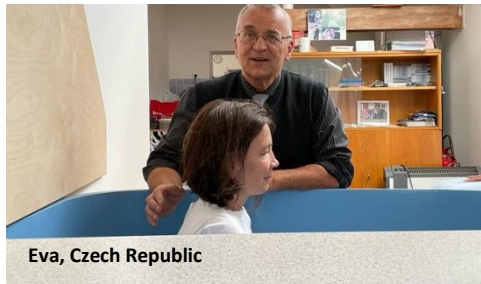


Heard from the platform:

- To know God better, we need to read the Bible
- Commitment to the Lord is Yes and Amen, not Yes and but...
- Why should we follow Jesus? Because He knows the way to the end
- God's instruction/correction is our life
- Nothing good was ever achieved with sorrows
- Take your negative thoughts captive
- Is God your driver?
- Follow good advice and counsel
- Praise Him always and it will bring joy
- It's better to burn out working for the Lord, than to be idle and rust
- God offers us a deeper relationship than any friend or parent can supply
- Power up in the Spirit!
- Would you put off collecting a prize of 1 million euros? So why would you put off grabbing hold of eternal life?
- Have confidence: God will always back us up when we do His work.
- Deuteronomy 28 = 20% blessings for obedience, 80% curses for disobedience. What do you choose?

Revival across Europe and the UK

Baptisms in September : 2 in the Czech Republic, 1 in France, 3 in the Netherlands, 7 in the UK (4 pictured)



Eva, Czech Republic



Jara, Czech Republic



Ludovic, France



Marie, Rotterdam



Natasha, Rotterdam



Freedi, Rotterdam



Marina, West London



Jocelyn, West London



Jacob, West London



Liverpool

*Ephesians 4 verse 4-5
 "There is one body,
 and one Spirit, even as ye
 are called in one hope of
 your calling;
 One Lord, one faith,
 one baptism"*

News from the saints in Suriname



Outreach after camp

(Read also the camp report on the front page)

We had a wonderful month. We welcomed Ingrid from the fellowship from Rotterdam and Wim from the fellowship from Dordrecht. Just before our camp, Sefanja, a niece of Ingrid, was born again.

At the next outreach after our camp, 7 people received the Holy Spirit !! In the

same week, three people were baptized. Shineida, who also came to the meetings a few times, had made the choice to be born again. Shirley, Ingrid's sister, who was also at camp for a few days, had also decided to be born again. And Max, a good acquaintance of Wim, which has been witnessed for 24 years during Wim's last meeting in Suriname, decided to choose to become a child of God.

All glory to God that we can see and experience that our hard work is rewarded! (*Hebrews 11 verse 6*)

Pastor Guillaume, RF Suriname



Baptism—Sheneida



Baptism—Shirley



Baptism—Sefanja



Baptism—Max

Outreach Weekend, France

The 11th edition of the French outreach took place this September. The theme was « The Planet or You? » Today we are all quite aware of the need to save the environment, but what about saving our souls? Around 5,000 leaflets were handed out in the streets of Angers, inviting people to a presentation on what the Bible says about saving Earth, and (more importantly!) God's plan for the salvation of individual souls.

Our outreach weekend was supported by 17 brothers and sisters from the UK and Holland, and we are most appreciative for the efforts of our brethren to travel here and enthusiastically spread the Gospel. From Thursday to Sunday we had great times of outreach, fellowship together and meetings.



Outreach team

16 visitors came along to a presentation evening and many stayed to talk over the scriptures. One man prayed for the Holy Spirit at the presentation venue. Another came back to our meeting hall to be baptised and also received the Holy Spirit the same evening. There was such an exciting atmosphere, all of us gathered together to see our new brother born again. It was a great opportunity for other visitors to see how a baptism takes place. Another person came to the Sunday meeting the following day too.

We continue to follow up the many contacts made during the weekend. Stay tuned for more news of revival! **Revival Fellowship France**



Presentation evening



Getting the hall ready



On the way to France!



Fellowship at the hall



Street outreach



Outreach at the market



Welcoming visitors



Witnessing after the presentation



Baptism

The Revival Fellowship in:

Almere

Praise the Lord for His goodness, two people got born again this month. Both heard the word and answered to the calling.

We are glad that there are still people out there who are willing to listen as the day of Jesus's returning approaches. Many have been invited to our Next Gen evening, which the youth organized, full of items, testimonies and a supper. People saw who we were and were amazed by things they testified of.

Some of us joined the outreach in France and got back fired up to continue the work of the Lord!

Throughout the month there were other visitors coming, a patient from sister Ester's work, an elderly man who prayed and received the Holy Spirit.

Just sharing a nice testimony: one of our young sisters, recently came back to fellowship. After having many psychoses, really crying out for help and doctors not being able to help her in the world

was at the edge of desperation. She met brethren on the streets, and got encouraged to take the step to call the pastor to make a fresh new start again with God and she did. After prayer, she was healed the next day, which was amazing to see by people around her. A friend of hers saw the sudden change in her which moved her to come and have a look, now she is also born again and experiencing the love of God in her life, as well.

Bristol

The fellowship uses a community hall in the west of the sprawling city of Bristol. The hall is surrounded by housing estates. During the month, a group of folk spent a Saturday afternoon distributing leaflets to houses and people in the local area. The outreach bore fruit on the next morning, a local lady walked into the hall for the communion meeting. We hope to see her again.

We had a visit from Pr Steve from Medway along with his family. Pr Steve gave a talk on the history of abolition in Britain from a Bible perspective. It was a great theme and a good day of fellowship. We also had a 'virtual visit' from Pr Jock who gave a talk entitled 'Until Shiloh Comes'. It was a very timely exhortation to be about the Lord's



Next Gen evening, Almere

business now.

Our Wednesday meetings have been on zoom this year, as we established a routine for the fellowship. This has also allowed those of us who are remote to connect to the new fellowship. This includes saints in Derby, Stoke-on-Trent and Essex (!) as well as those of us in



Almere

Milton Keynes. We are about to start meeting on Wednesday evenings at the hall, with zoom available to those of us who are not local. Seth Bland is taking the lead at the hall on Wednesdays.

Czech Republic

In this last month we have had a great time. One really fun event was prepared for us by our young people and children. They recorded a short film about Paul getting shipwrecked at Malta. They showed it to us during an evening they prepared with games, quizzes and testimonies. Besides that we had a fulfilling fast. Of course the best part of the month was when a couple came to the meeting from the outreach. They already had been witnessed to previously but recently the testimony of our saints had persuaded them to come and look. They both got baptised and the husband has already received the Holy Spirit. God bless to all the saints in Christ from Czech. We can't wait to see you at our camp.



Watching the baptisms, Czech

Dordrecht

This month we enjoyed a great dinner night organized by our younger brothers and sisters with testimonies, musical items and a short video about the recently held kids/next gen camp. The theme of the camp was 'being a soldier for the Lord'. A few of the testimonies we heard this month:

- A brother recently got healed from a burnout. His doctor and his colleagues were amazed at his rapid recovery.
- A brother was in great need of money for his living expenses. He prayed about the situation together with a sister. After prayer they walked outside on the streets and there he found 50 euros: the exact amount he needed. God is our provider!
- A brother had a heart attack around two and half years ago. During his check up one year later the doctors couldn't find any sign of the heart attack.

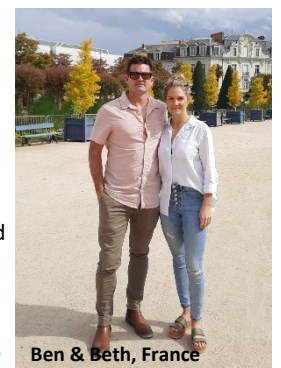
'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble' (Psalm 46:1).

France



Travelling musicians! France

What an awesome month of September! We had a real international flavour to the month with visitors from the UK and Australia, a Bible study with the saints in Switzerland & Germany, and our annual outreach weekend (see report on page 4). It was wonderful to spend time with Ben and Beth McDonald from the fellowship in Geelong. Ben shared in his testimony how he was a "fellowship baby" - although his parents weren't coming along, as young kids he and his siblings used to be dropped off at the meetings and were really encouraged and brought up in the Lord by their spiritual uncles and aunts. As a teenager he was miraculously healed from an addiction to sport, which would have otherwise taken his life down a very



Ben & Beth, France

The Revival Fellowship in:



Ps Chris & Monika birthday, Hungary



Outreach in Kecskemét



Housewarming, Hungary

different track. Beth shared how as a child it was the Gulf War that really motivated her to be born again herself. She testified of how God has graciously blessed her with 4 children even though medically it should have been very difficult if not impossible. She was also protected from physical danger when she was chased onto a busy highway, and emotionally protected when she had to take part in jury duty for a disturbing case. We praise the Lord for the encouraging fellowship this month!

Hungary

In September we did a major outreach in the country town of Kecskemét which was supported by a great number of brethren. We also held presentations there and later a Wednesday night meeting. An old friend of a sister received the Holy Spirit. A couple recently moved to a new house and decided to have a house-warming party, where some 12 local guests came and many more brethren. Rainy weather did not discourage us, there were conversations about the Lord everywhere and of course lots of food too. Ps Chris, Monika and Ben visited from Australia. Ps Chris and Monika both celebrated their 50th birthday, including a dinner night where many-many of their relatives and friends heard testimonies and the message of the Lord. Late September we worked a bit on our hall to make it more energy efficient. A brother was protected by God in a car accident where a drunken driver run into several cars including his on the highway with 110Km/h. Several more brethren praise the Lord for protecting them from electric shocks and hurting themselves. A sister used to have cysts and gynaecological problems that caused pain regularly for many years. When

she came to the Lord she prayed about it and this month she realized she's been healed. A young brother praises the Lord for recovering quickly from strained tendons.

Ireland

We started to outreach in Newcastle West in Limerick, which is about 25 minutes away from us.

We have started our own YouTube channel: Ireland Revival Fellowship - please check it out and Subscribe!

At our brother's workplace, a young Swiss student started on a six month work placement. It turns out that he attends an Evangelical church in Switzerland, so he was invited to a Sunday meeting. At his first Sunday meeting he heard about being born again and after the meeting had prayer to receive the Holy Spirit, he spoke in tongues just like he had been shown in the scriptures. He rang his father to ask him why their church did not "promote the Holy Spirit in this way"? His father then revealed that he had received the Holy Spirit speaking in tongues in New Zealand some years previous and when they come back to tell the church about it they received too much opposition. Timon has gone on

holidays with his family since then so we await for his return. It just reminds us how important it is to uphold the word of God regardless of the opposition; "...to earnestly

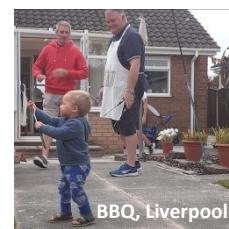
contend for the faith" (Jude 1.3).

This month's Friday Night Knowledge Talks: Pr Brad spoke about the "The Love of God" and Pr Anthony started a series on "The Throne of David". All on YouTube.

We are looking forward to our Autumn Camp now, it is full but keep it in mind for next year.

Liverpool

A busy month in Liverpool. We are seeing visitors at most meetings. There were 4 baptisms, 2 BBQs and a Prayer & Fast! Looking forward to seeing many of you in Lancaster for Winter Camp. Book early as best accommodations going fast!



BBQ, Liverpool

Medway

We said goodbye to our summer visitors. Our first summer free of restrictions after the pandemic. Much appreciated.

We had visitors to some of our meetings and one lady, Ajar received the Holy Spirit.

We used the last day of the school holidays to treat the older kids to a 'Guy Fawkes experience' at the Tower of London. First VR experience for most of us, wowser.

We had a 'good news from afar' night, looking at Surinam, around Africa and particularly India and stories from other places too.

A joint prayer and fast with the southern assemblies with Ireland and a good number of others from here, there and everywhere on zoom. Great day.



Throne of David, Medway



Liverpool



Enjoying the Summer visitors, Medway

The Revival Fellowship in:



Combined prayer & fast, Holland

The death and funeral of our Queen dominated the news here and we took the opportunity to show how this is all rooted in promises to David and others in the old testament. Covenant promises.

Poole

During September the Poole saints have been enjoying fellowship with brothers and sisters from around the country and the world.

Pastor Brad and Cheryl from Brisbane visited after the Bath Camp. We had an evening of variety food and fellowship and at the

Sunday meeting Ps Brad talked about God's Nature, reminding us of all that God will forgive. After that we joined with the Cape Town assembly for an evening of choruses, testimonies and talks on the theme of Relationships. During the Covid lockdown we fellowshiped with them on several occasions and it was great to catch up with them again and share an enjoyable evening with another planned for later in the year. Fellowship has proven to be good whenever we get together and there's always more after the meetings without rushing off. It's great! A South West prayer and fast was hosted by Medway and were able to catch-up with brothers and sisters from the various fellowships in the south enjoying talks from brothers from each of the four assemblies. In the Lord, there's



Prayer and fast, UK

always something to learn and develop. Listening to talks, testimonies, praying etc... this what makes us fruitful. Another very uplifting month!

Rotterdam

Hallo Brothers and Sisters, in September we had a combined prayer fast with Almere and Dordrecht. There was also a short talk evening and a presentation.

The children had a kids day with activities in the hall and the same evening the Next generation held a dinner night for us all. The teenagers organized the food and worked very hard that night in the kitchen, serving and at the end of the evening they tidied up! An enjoyable evening for all. There were also guests, who heard the gospel which of course why there is such activities like dinner nights. There were three baptisms this month! Praise the Lord. Some of our saints travelled to Angers, France to support the outreach there that they have every year in September.

Switzerland / Germany / Austria

We are very pleased that our brother Robert from Graz, Austria, can now join us at the Sunday meetings. He used to have to work on Sundays (he is a chef). He also wanted to be able to take part at the communion meeting. After he prayed for this, his boss changed the opening hours of the restaurant. Now, instead of being closed on Monday and Tuesday, the restaurant is closed on Sunday and Monday. Praise the Lord for always making everything possible when it comes to us being able to serve Him.

Rudolf and Dimphna from Rotterdam visited us the last weekend of the month. Many, many thanks again! We appreciate it very much when we get spiritual support. It was wonderful that we could go out together for outreaching. Again, some people in Berne heard the word of God. We were able to build each other up with many testimonies that we shared with each other. That

Saturday evening we also had our monthly Bible study with France. Among other things, we heard that God's Word is like food for our bodies. It changes us for the good. The word we read makes us clean.

Luise had a lot of pain in her back. We prayed for her in the meeting and she immediately felt better. Praise the Lord that we can always pray for each other and that he will confirm his word.



Rudolf & Dimphna, Switzerland



Outreach, Switzerland

West London

We praise the Lord this has been a blessed month with revival. One Sunday, we had three baptisms and three people received the Holy Spirit. Our young brother Jacob was baptised after having received the Holy Spirit previously; Marina, a young lady who came following a street outreach, was also baptised after having received the Holy Spirit a few weeks prior; and Jocelyn, a family contact from a brother, received the Holy Spirit and was baptised straight after. A young man also received the Holy Spirit, as did a young girl visiting with family members. A fantastic busy day for us all! We pray it continues. We also had a great evening of sharing testimonies: a brother thanked the Lord for



House meeting, Rotterdam

The Revival Fellowship in:



ran out of petrol after having taken some sisters home after a meeting, stopped at a petrol station and was suddenly handed £10 by a man who drove off in his BMW!! God is there in all situations!!
Awaiting greater things in October.

Yorkshire

Greetings fellow saints, from Yorkshire.

Since our last report we have been letterboxing and street witnessing around one of the villages in our area. We printed up a special leaflet, hired the Town Hall and put on a presentation – no visitors, but we had a good time, lots of people witnessed to. A week later we held a BBQ at a brother's house in the same village – a neighbour came and listened to the gospel.

We have moved – again. A new

meeting place, a nice clean shop, in the centre of town, so we have been busy getting it all set up, plumbing in the baptism tank, printing new leaflets etc. Good to have baptism facilities right there – feels like a real meeting. Quite miraculous how we got the place. Had a good witness to the landlord and he really bent over backwards to give us a good deal. That's all for now, God bless.

always being calm at work when others are panicking in challenging times; a sister testified of being healed of anaemia; a sister testified of how she has seen people healed after praying for them; a brother testified of how having only £3 to fill up his car when he



Testimonies



I was on a building project in Watford in 1990, working with a group of guys from the Revival Fellowship. One by one, they preached the gospel of salvation to me and answered all my questions about life directly from the Bible.

I attended a Sunday meeting, and after hearing the same clear message preached, I decided to put what I'd heard to the test. That day I repented and was baptised by full immersion in water with the expecta-

tion and the promise of receiving the Holy Spirit: exactly how it was described in the book of Acts.

A new joy and strength grew within me, knowing that I did what was right before God. This was an exciting time in my life, and within a few weeks, while praying by myself, I received the Holy Spirit and spoke out in this new language exactly how the promise was described in the Bible.

My marriage broke up shortly afterwards, and the Comforter power of the Holy Ghost became very real in my life, helping me through those hard times of a divorce while bringing up my seven-year-old son. The Lord continually blessed me, and eventually, I married a faithful sister in the fellowship, who became a wonderful mother to my son, and he went on to receive the Holy Spirit for himself. We had another two sons, and both received the Holy Spirit as they grew older, and the Lord has had his hand on our family.

The Lord has healed me many times: One time, I had a trapped nerve in my back and could not move unassisted for two days. It was a Sunday morning, and I opened my Bible to John 17:5 and, overcome by the idea that Jesus came to save me personally, I was instantly healed. My wife and the boys were amazed to see me suddenly able to walk up and down the stairs. We praise God as a family and long for the Lord's soon return.

Colin, North London



My name is Sinead, and I came to the Lord in 2009 after meeting a sister called Ellie on a day trip. She was really friendly to me that day, and we talked about lots of things in life and what was going on in the world. She seemed to be at peace in herself, and then she amazed me by saying that she went to a church and spoke in tongues. I had never met someone so open and confident about these things before, so I

asked her if I could come along and see for myself. She said yes, and we made an arrangement for me to visit The Revival Fellowship one Sunday. I listened carefully to the talk and spiritual gifts during the meeting and heard the testimonies people told me afterwards. I went away and thought about everything I had heard and kept coming to the meetings regularly, and was baptised. Then about three months later, I received the Holy Spirit at a Prayer and Fast, and I spoke out in tongues for the first time. It was an amazing experience, and it has never left me to this day.

From that point on, I realised that if I kept having fellowship, praying and reading my Bible, God would help me to manage and overcome situations in my life. I have learned to trust Him and realised that as long as I remain humble and faithful to Him, He will look after everything around me. I have seen God provide so much in my life and answer countless prayers. He has helped me move home, go to college, and deal with so many everyday things that I often take for granted.

The Lord has helped me with my confidence, going to camps, talking to people at fellowship and on outreaches (all things that I would never have been able to do before), and He inspires me to want to grow more in Him each day.

Sinead, North London