


AMG International
ADVANCING THE MINISTRIES OF THE GOSPEL

Dear Friends,

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It always seems hard to try and fit all of God's blessings in our lives through activities, events, and news pertaining to ministry and family on a sheet of paper, but we will give it a try.

First, let us remind you that we do put out an "Electronic Prayer Letter" once a month. If for some reason, you are not getting this letter, **please email us** so we can put **your address** into the computer. Eventually, all of the prayer letters from AMG will need to go digital and we do not want anyone who wants to keep up left out.

As always, life has been intense and exciting. A couple was baptized early in the spring. This has been a blessing to the congregation. Hours have been spent turning the furniture shop into a church and today we are 90% there, lacking a bathroom and a foyer. Please pray for finances for this. Easter was a great time of work and fellowship with the Grace Church from Smithtown, NY, and during this time we inaugurated our new building in Torrevieja.



The classes at the Seminary in Murcia came to an end for the academic year but will resume in a few weeks. In the meantime, in July, we added two new classes in Torrevieja. Mary has just finished her Summer English Class and her Ladies Bible Class will kick off in two weeks time.

Our VBS this summer had as a theme a Rain Forest. It was lots of fun as we turned the church into one. The maturity of the church was seen as there were plenty of members helping both in the preparation and in hands to run the activity. We had 30 children visit which is a record for this community. This was our first year running this VBS in Spanish.



What a blessing was ours as we visited our partners in Cuba. The pastors depend on our help to provide for their families. The work there always impresses us, and we feel privileged to be a part of it. We also visited North Africa for our logistical help, only in this trip we made new contacts, becoming aware of new ministries to help. We also had the adventure of our life as we had car trouble and had to make different arrangements to get home. Rafael returned three weeks later to get our van after repairs. Thank you, Friends at Paget Chapel, for your show of love.

The Murcia Church is moving forward well under the leadership of Pastor Dimas. A number were baptized in August and new families have been won to Christ. Marcus made a public confession of faith two weeks back. His wife had been baptized and the church prayed for his surrender to Christ. He did so as I preached Jose Maria's funeral, a founding member of Murcia and a good friend. The church will miss him and his guitar, but we know we will be with him in glory.

Our latest challenges lie in the area of new works. We will be starting a new work in a town called “Hondon de Los Frailes” on September 10. Please pray for this. We also are launching an evening meeting in Torrevieja on the 25th of September. Shortly, we are planning on launching a Sunday evening service in Spanish in Torrevieja, also. We need your prayers and backing, but most of all we need our partners to “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into this harvest”. So, yes, if you speak “English”, come over into Spain, and help us (Acts 16:9).



In family news, Carina has started her 4th year at Moody, having spent the summer in Normal, IL, doing her required internship. Because of her major in counseling, the invitation to Amman, Jordan, did not meet school requirements. Jessica toured 10 weeks with a musical group from her school, Calvary Bible College, as their pianist. She loved it! Bianca and Felicia complain that they had a short summer. Home school started for us in mid August. We are so thankful for them and for their enthusiastic involvement in our VBS. We struggle to know what is best for their educational needs and have this matter in prayer before God. Rafael turned the big 50, and we celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary.



As we always say, Thank You for your Support, your Prayers and Encouragement. We know we are God called, but it is YOU God uses to strengthen our hands to stay to the plow. May God continue to bless and to increase your spiritual account.

Working together with HIM,

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