

Revival News



European Monthly Report

November 2019

In November, Pastor Bob Hutton from Yorkshire and Pastor Meshack from Kenya visited saints in West Africa.



Brothers Jude & Morris who look after the work in Liberia



Saints in Gbarnga, Liberia after the midweek meeting

On the right is a photo of brother Noah from Gbarnga, Liberia. He used to be a bodyguard for Charles Taylor, a brutal Liberian dictator, indicted for some of the worst war crimes known to man. Noah is very glad to be in the Lord and forgiven of the things he did. There are also a number of saints in Liberia who were recruited as child soldiers during the civil war



Brother Noah

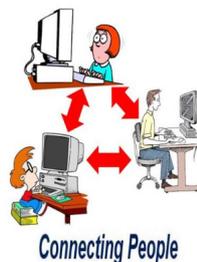


Brother Gideon, Sierra Leone, giving his testimony

Server News, November 2019

All the talks, songs and other items from the recent autumn camps are now added to the re-acts server for download. Lots of other stuff is also available from our own server here in Holland.

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Coming up, looking ahead:

Winter Camp Holland Dec 25/19—Jan 1/20
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Spring Camp Hungary 2020 April 9—13
European Convention Rotterdam NL
May 21—23
UK Convention London May 29 — 31
Summer Camp NL July 25—Aug 1
Summer Camp UK Aug 8—15
Surinam Camp Sept 18—23
Irish Camp Oct 21—25
Czech Camp Oct 28—Nov 1

Editorial: The “Walking on Water” Experience

In the Bible we read about many impossible things, which were proven not to be impossible when God got involved.

One particular one which, as a sailor myself, speaks particularly to my imagination, is the one about Jesus walking on water and the apostle Peter getting involved as well in doing that impossible thing.

As follows:

Mt 14:24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary.

25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.

26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear.

27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.

29 And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.

31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

On the internet we can find many illustrations about how the artists



think that looked like. Most are pictures of a smooth water surface. **The picture above gives a better idea of how it looks like to walk on water in a storm!**

In verse 28 Peter asks of Jesus if he can “have a go” as well and he gets out and, as far as we know, became the first human ever, and since, to have this literal “walking on water” experience.

Then he looks at the waves, no doubt having trouble to keep his “balance” and he starts to sink.

That’s another miracle in itself. Stepping out of a safe boat is not like a slow sinking feeling, it is “split second” stuff, very fast indeed. I fell down the stairs once, it took less than one second to get to the bottom, **ouch**.

And then Jesus says: “O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?”.

Now without perhaps realising it, everybody who is born again has at least one “walking on water”

experience. That was when we were given the ability to “worship God in the spirit” and so become a true worshipper. (John 4:23-24)

Then we start, like Peter in Acts 3, to test our ability to “walk on water” and see God’s power at work.

So, here we are today, in our place of work, school, home or place where we live. How about some more “walking on water”?

The best way to do this is not to think about it too much. Too much thinking will make us sink.

One more thing comes to mind, while I am writing this. Our God, who now lives inside us, did miracles without number when he created this universe. Walking on water for Jesus was surely one of the “minor” miracles.

So whatever we are facing right now is only another opportunity to do some more “walking on water”

Ps Piet Visser.



Heard from the platform

- Take your walk one day at a time
- We always have a choice, doing things right or doing the right thing. There is a difference!
- The Word is our everyday guide
- Follow Christ, not people
- We are at our best when we rest in the Lord
- Serve God with a “ready (willing, prompt & eager) mind”
- Whether you’re building on the rock or the sand, storms will still come
- Heaven is a place for those who want to be separate from the world

The Revival Fellowship in:

Almere, NL

This month 3 people were born again, praise the Lord! It always gives a boost to us all, when people get baptized and Spirit filled. Ps. Bob and Jenny, brother Anthony from Ireland and brother Stephan from Switzerland visited us at the beginning of the month after the pastors meeting which was in Rotterdam. We were very happy to enjoy their fellowship in Almere, thank you also for your encouragements!

Brother Anthony shared a few thoughts about connecting dots: you can't always see the physical way / the outcome how things work out but you need to trust that God knows. It's the 'why we do things' that connects the dots. See what your motives are for your actions because they need to be right when you do things in the Lord.

We enjoyed a combined NextGen evening in Almere with the younger ones from Rotterdam and Dordrecht. They all shared with one another the people and actions in the Bible that have inspired them. Talking about challenges that the young ones face in this world and finding solutions to them in the Bible was one of the aspects of this evening. Presentation on the Great Pyramid in Egypt that brother Evert shared with us was very fascinating. God really planned things that is for sure and nothing is by coincidence. His plan stands already from the beginning and we may take part in it to work together with Him, isn't it amazing?

During our combined prayer and fast brethren got healed of many things; swollen feet straight after prayer, infected blood vessels, and even a leg which was too short got longer. An other sister got healed of cancer! We look forward to another month with more people getting baptized.

Czech Republic

This month, we held our first-ever Kids' Concert, with great success. The children were involved in the whole process, from planning which songs to sing, to organising practices with adults, and designing the pamphlet to invite their friends. They even wrote 2 songs especially for the concert, and



Combined NextGen, Almere

learned new instruments to play. The kids helped to set up the hall for the event, and were very excited when their guests arrived! In total, 6 families visited the concert - they were school friends, work colleagues and sports friends. The night went really well, with great songs about the Lord, and 2 children



Bible study, France

shared their testimonies about how God changed their lives. It was a real buzz! After the concert, we excitedly spoke to the new people about the Lord and told them of God's wonderful works. We're already looking forward to next year's Kids' Concert!

France

We welcomed our new youngest

member into the assembly this month, baby Israel, Bright and Pretty's son. He was born right after our prayer and fast weekend, where we focused on praying for revival. Pretty had said she was tired of being pregnant and... the Lord heard! We were blessed to have great fellowship with visiting

saints from London and New Zealand. One sister shared how she went back to university as a solo mother of 6. It took a long time to complete her degree but she put it to prayer and trusted that the Lord would provide a good job at the end. Even before completing her degree she was offered a full-time position at a hospital, despite being older and less qualified than other graduates who applied. She is still in that job now, over 10 years later. A brother testified of how when he came to the Lord, he had just suffered a marriage breakup. Rather than focussing on that situation, the pastor encouraged him focus on his walk in the Lord, and let God take care of the rest. This was a great testimony to his ex-wife and children who subsequently got baptized and Spirit-filled themselves.

Hungary

We had 3 people baptized and 4 receive the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues.

One sister was witnessing to a colleague who was complaining of a stomach problem. The sister offered to pray and the person was instantly healed.

One brother really wished to go to camp but did not have the funds. He decided to step out in faith and go and within 30 minutes the funds were provided by the Lord.

One brother has a trapped nerve in his neck and could not raise or even move his arm to any degree. He listened to the testimony of another brother who suffered for 5 months



Kids' Concert, Czech Republic



with the same problem, going to physiotherapy without any good result, and eventually giving it up and handing it over to the Lord and got healed. In the next prayer line the brother got instantly healed as well. Three people came to a Faulty Towers night, one of them having previously come to a meeting. He and his partner got baptized the same night and the third visitor, seeing that they received the Holy Spirit in the tank, was moved and got baptized and received as well. One of them is suffering with an

The Revival Fellowship in:



Angéla, Zoltán and baby David



Nigel and Renata's anniversary, Hungary

Joshua, it was actually Joshua's birthday that day. He was born a twin, but Caleb, the other twin, only made it to seven months, so it was good that he has a new brother to share the day with. Their father Collins gave a moving account of the births and life of his children full of thanksgiving and understanding.

Was great to focus on children generally, looking at the scriptures and the testimonies, bring them to Jesus was the focus of the day. Many visitors including some who came to their first Sunday meeting the next day.

embolism on his lung, and yet he left hospital to be able to come to the meeting a week later. We are looking forward to a great healing.

Another event was the celebration of a 25th wedding anniversary of Nigel and Renáta where 10 guests heard the word faithfully preached. One had only intended to stay for 20 minutes but stayed for 3 hours.

We would also like to praise the Lord for the birth of Dávid Fekete the third child of Zoli and Angéla. All went smoothly and mother and son are well.

Liverpool

Our sister Eileen writes: "At the start of November I was in my house when suddenly everything started spinning round, I was feeling really sick and collapsed on the floor. I was taken to hospital and after a lot of tests I was told I had vertigo. They said it would take anything from 6 weeks to a few months to disappear. With all the fellowship in prayer my main symptoms had gone within 10 days. So Praise the Lord for His healing power, He really is a great big wonderful God."

Eileen's daughter Debbie writes from her perspective: "After a couple more days of mum being in bed, not eating and drinking, she started to struggle breathing. I was overtaken with fear and thought, my mum isn't going to survive. We called the ambulance, her blood sugar was dangerously low and her heart was working overtime.

When we got to the hospital Dad just started talking about healing in their lives, starting

from their 6 month old daughter being healed from meningitis. At this point my fear left me and the Lord showed me not to trust what I was seeing with my eyes because it was a lie. The Lord had heard the prayers, I just had to trust, believe and have faith. That is what our walk is, walking by faith and not by sight. We continued to share testimonies: healings of stroke, heart attack, blood clots, pneumonia. God is so good, and I am so thankful."

Medway

A great November included an Egyptian dinner night/murder mystery evening, found



out there are many would be detectives in the assembly, lots of little fez hats worn, the kids play with them between the meetings now, all running around with little red hats

on.

Our Tuesday night seven aside team won their first game in seven late November, team is made up of the young men in the assembly with some workmates joining in, good clean fun.

Highlight of the month was the dedication of three month old Israel and three year old

North London

We put on a concert which attracted a number of visitors and 'entertained' one and all. One item reminded us that, 'God didn't mind that my grandma sang off key'. This was a great encouragement that there are no superstars here, just saints who love the Lord and want to glorify him in all they do. Our prayer and fast centred around pressing towards the mark of the high calling. A dinner night with a theme of giving thanks included lots of saints testifying of blessings they have experienced in 2019. Two people have recently been baptised. We continue to preach the gospel, sure that there are still more lost people looking for the truth in the last days.

Poole, UK



Games activity, Poole

The month started with a prayer and fast where we heard uplifting talks from three brothers on the theme of 'God's Fear'. It was a great time of feeding on God's word and drawing spiritually closer to Him. This was followed by an outreach and an interesting and informative presentation by Pastor Chas on "Perilous Times". We were very pleased to be joined at our Sunday meeting by Martin and Emma Gladdish and heard a great talk by Martin on the theme of 'What's up in your life?' We thank them both for their fellowship. A brother mentioned in his testimony how he didn't have any money to fill up his car to drive back home after the meeting. After trying the bank a few times with no luck, by faith went to fuel station and put his card into



Combined meeting Yorkshire & Liverpool

The Revival Fellowship in:



Joshua's 3rd birthday, Medway



Medway football team

Switzerland

We had a fantastic prayer and fast weekend this month, together with our Dutch brethren. At our Friday night house meeting we heard a talk about «Overcoming»
Revelation 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

order because we don't know when Jesus will return. If we hold on to the Lord and his word we will have a wonderful future ahead of us and everlasting life.

James 5:7-8

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. 8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

West London

At the beginning of this month, Patrick brought to the Sunday meeting, Julian, a friend he knew from over 25 years. Julian was already spirit filled but was baptised that same day. Since then, he has been coming to all meetings and activities. Julian has also been bringing a friend whom we pray will soon commit to the Lord also.

the fuel machine and filled his car with no

problem. A few weeks later, there was no record of charges or money taken out from his account for the time he got the fuel. This month, we have started to have a Bible study evening on Thursdays and we have started to look in depth at the book of Kings and the minor prophets and match them to the kings of Judah and Israel. It has been a great opportunity to really grasp the meaning and chronology of parts of the Old Testament. We had another outreach and a DVD night where much chocolate and popcorn was enjoyed by all.



Pastors' meeting in the Netherlands

At a Saturday outreach, a man from Goa, India, received a leaflet and came to our dinner evening that same day. He had been praying to God to lead him to the right Church as he had been going to the Roman Catholic Church from tradition but knew it was wrong. We pray work commitments will not interfere with his commitment for the Lord. Our brother Simon reminded us of how his wife was miraculously healed overnight. She had been crippled after surgery, having no use of her bowels, her bladder, her legs,

and was told she would never walk again. She was healed overnight and her consultant was stunned and beyond words.

We had a prayer and fast on 'God of grace and amazing wonders'. We heard that sometimes, courage is not to wait but to act in faith and that if we relinquish control to the Lord, we will prosper.

Rotterdam

The Lord worked with us and confirmed His Word with signs following and we thank Him for it. A brother woke up sick on Sunday morning and found it difficult to pray. Then he heard his wife praying for someone to receive the Holy Spirit over the phone. He prayed along and felt so much better afterwards, he thoroughly enjoyed his Sunday meeting and was able to give and help others. A sister who works in shifts was rostered in a Wednesday night shift. She didn't want to miss the meeting and put it to the Lord in prayer. She then received the message that she didn't have to come in on Wednesday. She later asked her colleagues; she was the only one and everyone found it strange as the it was a very busy time at work. That meeting she was spiritually fed and she was amazed at God's miracle. Have a great camp!

We have to overcome to achieve something, just like the children of Israel had to take on their land to win it. A problem hasn't been overcome yet when it's a bit better but when it is removed completely. We shared some testimonies and scriptures: a sister shared how she had a thought about how our faith should be like a child's faith- it's simple and believes everything easily. We can fully trust in God in every way. Another sister prayed for more work and she got it, and signed the contract soon after. Praise the lord! Another great talk we heard was about «Setting your house in order» Everything we do shall be for the Lord because none of our achievements will matter on judgement day, that is, worldly achievements. It is important to set our relationship with God in



West London