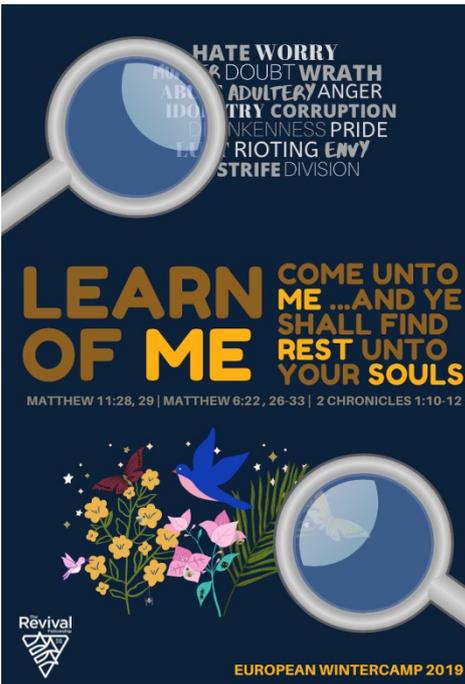


# Revival News



## European Monthly Report

December 2019

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**DOUBT WRATH**  
**ADULTERY ANGER**  
**IDOLTRY CORRUPTION**  
**DRUNKENNESS PRIDE**  
**LUST RIOTING ENVY**  
**STRIFE DIVISION**

**LEARN OF ME** **COME UNTO ME ...AND YE SHALL FIND REST UNTO YOUR SOULS**

MATTHEW 11:28, 29 | MATTHEW 6:22, 26-33 | 2 CHRONICLES 1:10-12

Revival Fellowship  
 EUROPEAN WINTERCAMP 2019



**What better place to finish 2019 and bring in 2020 than at camp with your brothers and sisters in the Lord?**

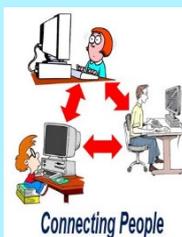
Many of us attended Winter camp in either the Netherlands or the UK, where the theme was « Learn of me ». In Suriname the saints held a mini camp on the theme of « A new beginning—look ahead ». For some it was not just the start of a new year but a completely new life, as there were baptisms at each of the camps. Read more detailed reports inside!

**Top left: Netherlands Top right: UK Above: Suriname Left: Camp banner UK/Europe**

### Server News, December 2019

All the talks, songs and other items from the recent Winter 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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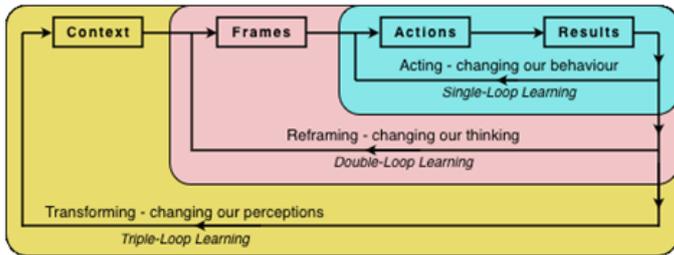
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### Coming up, looking ahead:

**Spring Camp Hungary 2020** April 9—13  
**European Convention Rotterdam NL** May 21—23  
**European Convention London** May 29 — 31  
**Summer Camp NL** July 25—Aug 1  
**Summer Camp UK** Aug 8—15  
**Suriname Camp** Sept 18—23  
**Irish Camp** Oct 21—25  
**Czech Camp** Oct 28—Nov 1

# Editorial: Learning the deep things of God

The biggest words on our banner last winter camp were **“Learn of me”** (Jesus) This got me thinking: How do we know **that** we’re learning? Or how do we know **what** we’re supposed to be learning? Before answering these questions, we need to understand that **learning is always connected to change**. We learn so we understand change or maybe cause change. Sometimes in our lives we are put in situations where we **have** to change, these are generally the types of situations in which we learn the most. In 1 Cor 2:10 we read “for the Spirit searches all things, yea the **deep** things of God.” To “search all things” means “looking to understand”. So we as Spirit Filled children of God are therefore looking to understand, and thus learn, “the **deep** things of God”. We are called to learn deeply, not just ‘quick learning’ based merely on behaviour. The science of learning teaches us that there are different levels of learning, see the picture below.



The blue part is purely about **acting**, we call this single-loop learning. Quickly changing our behaviour to get different results. The problem is that if we only do this, we must repeat the cycle again, **again and again** until we get a result that’s close to what we’d like to see in our lives. It’s a very experimental way of learning comparable to ‘riding’ bumpy road with less effective results. We are called to go deeper than this. The double-loop type of learning is focussed on changing our **thinking**. And then there’s the big one, the triple-loop type of learning, which is all about changing our **perceptions**. All three of these are needed, but it is best to **go deep** and transform ourselves by changing our perceptions which in turn enables us to reframe our thinking, which in turn changes our actions and gives results, founded in a deeper understanding of where these results come from. People who apply this deepest form of learning tend to be more aware **that** they are indeed learning, know **what** they still need to learn and can always explain **why they do** certain things rather than simply explaining **what they are doing**. All three levels of learning are connected, but it is starting with changing our perceptions which costs the most energy. This is why we often avoid it and jump to quickly changing our actions without taking the time to learn. So what about deeper learning with God?

*Matthew 9:11 And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto the disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners. 12. But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.*

The Pharisees were only looking in from the outside! They were looking at what he did, but Jesus knew why he was doing it. He points this out in verse 13: *13. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. And again in Matthew 12:7 “But if ye had known what this means, I will have mercy not sacrifice, you would not have condemned the guiltless”*

Jesus is referring to something God tried to get the children of Israel to understand many years before in the old testament.

In Micah 6:6-7 we see Micah saying “wherewith shall I come before the Lord?”

and then goes on about doing sacrifices: actions based on “what shall I **do** to get quick results?” Looking at the blue part of the picture we see the single-loop which is all about quick results. **We will always be confronted with the results of the**

**actions we take**. That is why we must look deeper at **why** we do what we do. We find it even here that people were only looking at rules and regulation, but there’s more: *Micah 6:8 He hath shown thee, o man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?* This scripture is a basic principle for a good life with God. It is good to...

**DO justly:** This is about our actions. Are we doing what is right?  
**LOVE mercy:** Loving mercy is something that comes from within. Mercy means that you are capable of forgiving, capable to move on. God has granted us mercy and we can read that God forgave us so great a debt, who are we not to forgive others?  
**WALK humbly:** also walking meekly, walking with the Lord. Even in the old testament people were taught “Walk with the Lord” but it was linked to many rules. We are also taught to walk with the Lord, but we can do it with a power from within. We can walk humbly, love mercy and do justly. *Hosea 6:6 “For I desire mercy and not sacrifice”* To change our perceptions and change our thinking, we need a **motivator**. You will never change your perceptions unless there is something in your life that is motivating you

to change them. We have been given something that is the motivator to change our perceptions, and then change our thinking and, finally, change our actions.

What we need to keep in mind is that the rules of sacrifice weren’t wrong, it’s just that they weren’t enough when it came to the heart. So what is this motivator? The answer is found in **1 Cor 13:1 -8** the famous scriptures on **Charity, or Love**. If we want to grow in our life of learning we must understand the “deeper” part of



God. Its not just about doing good things; its about love, having mercy towards one another. If we find ourselves behaving unseemly (which is an action with a negative result) we can ask ourselves if the reason why we behave like this is because we are losing our love for our brethren or towards God. To conclude: love is the motivator which will cause us to change our perceptions, leading to changes in thinking and changes in behaviour giving us good Christian results. And understanding where these results come from, leading us to go through the triple-loop again, and again. We grow, learn, gain vision of God’s will eventually making us people who will be able to cause revival in others. Because in the great scheme of it all that is what it’s all about.

Br Luke Visser



## Heard from the platform

- Don’t fill the learning gap with what YOU think, search out what God wants us to know.
- Man is seeking peace and God has made it available.
- Our wisdom and knowledge is from the Lord – we must remember that and not rely on our own strength
- Maintain our Spiritual man, as that is the one needed for eternity
- Ears to listen, hands to work, feet to take us on our journey and to balance us on the way
- Keep going to the end, don’t call it a day until God does
- Avoid the yoke of bondage, don’t be unequally yoked

# Revival Across Europe

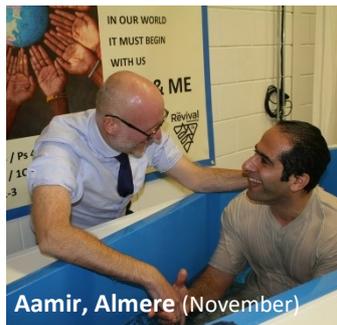
Baptisms in December: 2 in the UK, 5 in the Netherlands, 4 in Hungary



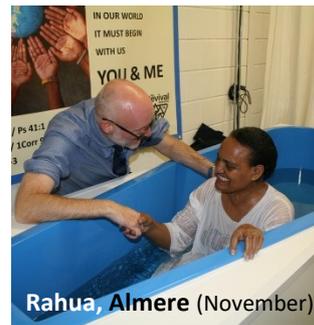
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Airies, Almere (November)



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Rahua, Almere (November)



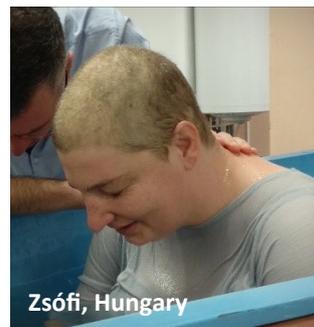
Jaylany, Rotterdam



Janos, Hungary



András, Hungary



Zsófi, Hungary



Melinda, Hungary



Deacon, Medway



Dordrecht



Patrick, Winter camp



Shea, Winter camp

## Suriname camp & highlights from November and December

The months of November and December were quiet months for us in terms of visitors. You could notice that everyone in Suriname was already busy with all preparations for the holidays.

Two new sisters were added in November: Pamela and her daughter Faith.

In December Meyara heard the gospel during an outreach and decided to come to the meeting on Sunday. She received the Holy Spirit on the same day and was baptized.

Bro Delano and sis Meredith arrived in Suriname to support the brothers and sisters. A mini camp was held at Zanderij 1 from 27 to 29 December. The camp theme was: **A New Beginning - Look ahead. The scriptures associated with this: Romans 12: 2, John 4:35 & Philippians 3:14.**

Meetings were held during camp during which young brothers in the Lord also gave talks. There were visitors to one of the meetings, one of whom (the site manager) received the Holy Spirit after the meeting. There were workshops and constructive testimonies and scriptures shared. Every day after the meetings, songs were practiced that were not yet known to the brothers in Suriname. On the last day of the camp, the site manager (who had received the Holy Spirit the day before) was baptized.

**Brother Guillaume**



# Camp in the Netherlands

Around 300 saints from all over Europe, and also from Australia and Suriname, attended the annual winter camp in Baarlo in the Netherlands. A wonderful week jam-packed with uplifting talks, amazing testimonies and warm fellowship all aimed at learning more of Jesus. About how to be meek and to be teachable, so that we can become more like Him, experience His amazing rest and shine forth His testimony. And by this inspire others to come and have a look at what God has in store for them. During camp two people were baptized and received the Holy Spirit. Great to see our children start their own mission fund project at camp. They crafted and sold book markers to raise money for the mission fund. Their enthusiasm was a great inspiration to all of us. Now let's keep on learning from the Lord, put it into practice and inspire each other and everyone around us to do the same!



## Some thoughts from the camp platform:

- How do you know you have learned something? When it is put to the test and the result is visible to others.
- Don't deflect learning moments (John 21:20)
- Learning is ALWAYS connected to change!
- The invisible things of God are visible though His creation.
- There is a huge difference in listening to talk from the internet and actually coming to the meetings and listening to THE talk. In the first instance YOU chose what you want to hear, in the second instance GOD chooses what you NEED to hear.
- Modern thinking, people need a 'Bucket list'. If serving God is at the bottom of the bucket, we never quite get there.
- When we are looking back over our life, we always use a magnifying glass. (Eccl 7:10)



# Camp in the UK



UK WINTER CAMP 2019 

UK Winter Camp held in Lancaster, Northern England. We had approx. 140 saints from the UK, Ireland, Holland, Czech, Hungary and Australia. Plus with a few observers and a baptism it made for a great week of fellowship and rejoicing.

The theme bought about great ministry, here are some one liners from the talks ...

- If we are yoked to something other than Christ it will make it very difficult for us to learn.
- Learning – visual, auditory, kinesthetic BUT we have a fourth way, a spiritually inspired way of learning through Christ
- With Jesus in your boat you can get to the other side. The rest isn't dependent on where you are in the journey.
- When Jesus walked onto the ship the wind ceased – we already have Him in our lives.
- Invitation 'Come unto me' the yoke only becomes heavy when you don't walk together with Christ.
- In every decision think, is this the direction of God.
- We are influenced by everything around us so need to go to good reliable resources to understand and be fed and grow wholesomely.
- We can see things as big / small but to God He can do all and with faith we need no Plan B
- When you want to learn something, you want the best teacher so you get the most from it
- We need to prioritise what we want to learn and put time and energy into that
- The things of the Lord should not be a burden, if it feels that way we are probably not seeing / doing things right

We heard a powerful testimony via Skype from brother Walesi (Poole / Fiji) he shared how the Lord delivered him through prayer when his body was shutting down after a mystery illness. He also told of the hope he and the family have for a healing for our sister Vara. A presentation on locusts helped us to understand their role in Bible Prophecy and their significance in our world today. A fire broke out in the kitchen one afternoon. After the fire blanket and 2 fire extinguishers it was still burning well and thanks to the Lord after some prayer and a brother with lots of experience the fire was removed and put out. Ptl only a pan was damaged and after the saints pulled together to clean the kitchen we ate a good northern dinner of 'chip butties with sauce'! You can rewatch the camp on You Tube Medway Revival Fellowship.

Have 20:20 vision in 2020!



# The Revival Fellowship in:



Sister Ester's testimony



Speed fellowship, Almere

## Almere, NL

December has just flown by! With our speed fellowship on the first weekend we shared many testimonies in which situations were mentioned that we managed to overcome and things that we had learnt that year. Great to be busy together, young and old. Sister Sinthia shared a testimony about our new sister in Rotterdam, sister Yanira who got witnessed to 3 years ago. She used to be in a pentecostal church for 10 years, not being encouraged to receive the Holy Spirit. In this three years she understood that it was not about offering money or things up for God but offering your life for Him by being humble and obeying, doing the Word of God. She decided to get baptized again to start anew. The first wonder for her was when she came out of the water of Baptism and started speaking in tongues, she always had the wish in heart that God would change her hard voice to a soft one and that is what happened. Now she is really happy that she can understand what it really means to be a child of God. She also came and enjoyed the camp with us. Further along we had evenings with topics about where religious feasts and rituals come from and news of our fellowships around the world.

Right before camp we had one person who got born again which was very nice to see! She had heard the Gospel in the taxi and decided to find out this wonderful message. We are looking forward to seeing more souls getting saved in the new year so let's go for the white harvest!

## Czech Republic

We had a very peaceful December. The first weekend we had an interesting presentation about loneliness in this world, and we all could see how blessed we are with our family in the Lord. Then we had a lovely dinner night all together to close the year and we counted our blessings throughout the year. Then some saints went to the UK camp and some went to Holland, but all came back very uplifted. Those who stayed back home spent New Year's Eve at house fellowships and closed the year together with prayer. One quick testimony of our sister Eva: She lives with her granny who makes her life very hard and nobody in her family is willing to help her in this situation. So Eva with one sister agreed

to pray every morning at the same time over the situation for a week. Eva came to the meeting the next Sunday and gave her testimony about how God had helped her... her situation with her granny hadn't changed, but her thinking and mind had. She said that she is calm and has a peace which she never had before. She can manage the situation being happy and not stressed, so praise God.

## Dordrecht

In December we enjoyed many wonderful activities by which we learned more about God's word. At the beginning of the month we said our goodbyes to our dear brother Jacob and sister Josephine who moved to Bali to support the assembly and serve the Lord in that part of the vineyard. We had a few visitors in our meetings and one of them got born again. At the end of the month we looked back on some high lights of this year in the different assemblies worldwide. What a privilege to be part of this wonderful work of the Lord! We were all edified at our winter camp in Baarlo. The second Sunday meeting of the new year we had 10 new people (including children) in our meeting. One of them was a Chinese lady who attended a few meetings three years ago. She now felt that she really wanted to make a brand new start and decided to come to our meeting again. At the end of the meeting she was baptized and received the Holy Spirit. A brand new creature in Christ, what a wonderful start of 2020!

## France

Lots of highlights this month, starting with a really uplifting Skype meeting with the saints



With sisters Janice and Tamara, France

in Ireland. We heard testimonies of deliverance from addictions to gambling and smoking, job provision in unlikely circumstances, instant healing from an ear infection and provision of a home, as well as two great talks. It gives us a real boost to be able to 'connect' with our wider family of God like this. Sisters Tamara and Janice from Australia braved the train strikes to come for a Sunday meeting and we had great fellowship. It was all hands on deck that day as the hall was full—6 new people came to the meeting for the first time! A lady called Kevine and her family. She had been a catholic before looking into the experience of speaking in tongues. She received the Spirit herself after watching a TV program about it! She prayed to the Lord to find her a place where she could learn more about what she had received, and shortly afterwards one of her daughters received an invitation to one of our meetings. There are no coincidences with God... We will see what she does with the opportunity the Lord has given her. The year ended with a wonderful time of learning at Winter camp in Holland.



The band, Hungary



Baptised last month, Hungary

## Hungary

We had four baptisms and two people receive the gift of the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues.

The month began with an outreach followed by a testimony night and outreach workshop, and finished off with a fantastic camp in Holland for which we are all truly grateful. There were many exciting testimonies during the month especially from the new brethren. One new sister was spoken to at an outreach, however she was initially not interested and walked on but not before the brother could give the basic gospel message. A few

# The Revival Fellowship in:

moments later she returned and spoke for about an hour, explaining how she had been disappointed with other churches and with life in general. She came to the next meeting with her young daughter and was initially very cautious but saw the gospel faithfully preached and was baptized and spirit filled. The next meeting she arrived one hour early, standing in the cold with her child and a guest she had brought along, such was her enthusiasm.

One sister was looking for a flat and found one where the owner was looking for a Christian to rent it to. Our sister witnessed to her and she came and got spirit filled and baptized, having been badly hurt by the world she can see already the Lord healing her life. One sister praises the Lord for a healing in camp, where she had to stay in bed for two days but could do her kitchen duty on the last day serving her brethren.

## Testimony: Hungarian saints travelling home

On the way back from camp we had a problem as 60 saints were not able to fly back because of fog. Some had to get home and managed to travel to other airports and get flights home. The remainder were given a hotel room in the airport after battling through crowds of people all trying to do the same thing. Other saints were flying at a later flight and that was also cancelled. It was here that the love of the saints really shone through for there was no rooms left for the 8 saints to stay in. On hearing the problem the remaining saints offered their spare bed in their rooms, or moved to other rooms to allow families to stay together, resulting in everyone getting a place to stay.

The next morning and evening most of the saints could stay home, but four had to wait until Friday morning or evening to return. No saint came back with a negative view of what happened for the Lord showed his hand to us all. Here are a few testimonies shared afterwards.

*It was a good experience amongst thousands of people to see the saints looking out for each other, with the brothers forming a shield to protect the women and young children.*

*We are very grateful for the principles of the bible showing through when the brethren in unity helped each other get through the bad situation.*

*On board the plane we could witness to others about the experience and one lady has promised to come to the meeting.*



Saints at the UK camp



Ps Tim & Mel, Medway



Catarina, Utariah & Deacon

## Medway

In December we said farewell to Catarina from Perth who has been around since summer convention, her brother Deacon came with best friend Utariah for her final few days here, Deacon was baptised, he received the spirit many months before, but had to wait till he was 18 before he could be baptised, he was baptised aged 18 and one week.

Ps Tim and Mel Cope paid us a visit, we enjoyed their company and input. Last meeting before winter convention we

looked at a review of what has happened this year, packed full, 218 photos in 40 minutes, was much to enjoy and we look forward to more of the same in 2020.

## Poole, UK

The month of December started with an outreach followed by an evening of fellowship and a DVD presentation. Our usual Thursday evening bible study continues to be very well attended. We've been looking at some of the minor prophets

and their dealings with either Judah or the ten tribes. Some prophecies have been fulfilled and some are yet to come. This has been helpful to give us understanding and spend time looking into the word. The 'end of year' evening was a great time of fellowshipping one with another, where we had quizzes, games, delicious food and also celebrated the birthdays of three brothers. There were a few visitors around who had the opportunity to hear the gospel of salvation and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Winter camp was exciting! Great time of feasting! Some tips for this month – "God & fellowship comes first and other things second", "Faith is action not words" and "The spirit leads us and yearns to be uplifted".

That's all from Poole for this month and we wish everyone a Happy New Year.

## Rotterdam

In December we prayed for a sister's colleague who was a victim of cybercrime and who'd lost a great amount of money. The bank said it was unlikely she would get any of it back as it had been transferred to hundreds of bank accounts. After prayer she let us know the whole amount, up until the last cent, was transferred back into her account. A brother was diagnosed with heel spur and damaged tendons. He needed an MRI scan. He asked God to make it so the doctors couldn't find anything. After the scan the doctor said he'd seen something had been the matter with the tendon, but now he couldn't find anything on the scan. "I don't like that", the doctor said. "First you had a problem, now you haven't. I don't understand it". Praise God!

## Switzerland

This month we heard a presentation about Christmas and the origin of Christmas. Reading the scriptures there is no proof or hint that Jesus was born on the 25th of December, in fact it says that the sheep were in the meadow and Joseph and Mary were on a long journey with a donkey which gives the idea that it was most likely not wintertime then. It isn't important for us to know when Jesus was born but to remember his sacrifice and what he has done for us so that we are in the privileged position now to be a child of God and have access to his promises. We also



Hungarian at Eindhoven airport

# The Revival Fellowship in:

heard a great talk about doing things with the Lord's strength and not our own. We have the Holy spirit inside of us and therefore we also have God's strength in us. Psalm 32:7-11. At the end of the month we travelled to the wintercamp in Holland, which was as always, a wonderful time of learning and fellowshiping. Praise the Lord!

## West London

This month, Jean, who came through an outreach and had been coming to meetings for over a month, was baptised at the winter camp in Lancaster.

Adjoa testified of how for the past two years she had been looking for a new home away from family as there was conflict at home with her mum who does not fellowship with us. She wanted to establish her personal walk in the Lord and make her own decisions. She

prayed and left it at the Lord's feet, knowing that He would provide. This month, she received a call from the council concerning brand new homes, all equipped with what is needed. They gave her the key at her first viewing! It is close to her work, her daughter's school and 10mins from the hall!

Sarah also testified of how God looked after her and her son during her pregnancy. Despite the 4 day labour and contracting an infection the night before the birth, Josiah was born

perfectly fine and is a happy baby. She is grateful for her blessed life. Those who went to winter camps, came back enriched by all that they heard and learnt. So much to be shared and talked about.



Meeting at camp in Baarlo

## Testimonies

In June 2002 whilst backpacking in Sydney with my girlfriend Rachael I received an invitation to a convention. We went along and that is where I heard about being born again for the first time in my life. I only knew about Catholicism and I really believed that I was in the "true church". We were shown scriptures from the Bible about being born again and reluctantly I went in for prayer. However when Rachael received the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues, it had a big impact on me. I decided to get baptised by full immersion that day because I knew Jesus had been baptised as an adult. Over the next few days I saw a huge change in Rachael and I prayed to God to confirm if it was the truth and to fill me with His Holy Spirit. I was left in no doubt when I spoke in tongues! I was instantly healed of the desire to drink alcohol, something I had never been able to do on my own strength. On the way back home we got married in Fiji and returned home to Ireland completely changed. The assembly was based in Northern Ireland, so we travelled up every weekend. God quickly showed me to embrace His way of living and to drop my old nationalistic views. I realised the answer to true peace was through people receiving God's Holy spirit and becoming united in God's ways. I've had the privilege to visit West Africa over the years. Whilst in the airport in Liberia, I became very ill, without strength, I was unable to pray or even ask anyone for help but a single scripture came into my mind *Ephesians 3:20: "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us"*. I was instantly healed.

Over the last couple of years in particular I've faced many challenges, but I know once I allow the Lord to direct me, He always brings a joyful ending.



Anthony, Ireland

I was brought up as catholic and was quite happy living my non committal lifestyle. In 1999, my life dramatically changed when my older brother Martin died of a drug overdose, leaving my parents and me broken-hearted. I tried different ways to become happy again and strived for peace. I tried counseling, became involved in the things of the occult and started to learn about becoming a Reiki Master (energy healer). In 2001 we decided to go to Australia for one year. I jumped at the chance to leave the grief and memories behind, but they came too. Anthony got an invitation on the street. I thought it was connected to energy healing so we went along. We were shown salvation scriptures in the Bible which I knew to be the word of God. My beliefs were challenged and I needed to know if it was true. For the first time I asked God to fill me with His Holy Spirit and I spoke in tongues. I was then baptised by full immersion. I was instantly healed of my broken heart, delivered from the desire to drink alcohol and stopped swearing. One of the biggest things for me was that I had truth in my life, no more lies. We returned to Ireland brand new people: born again and married. We were in debt and without jobs, however I can look back now and see how God turned around our lives for the better. At the end of 2018, over the course of a few months, 3 members of my family passed away, including my Mother. I saw my cousins being stricken with grief, whilst I received comfort from God and that "peace that passes understanding". Last year we decided to move from Dublin to North Kerry. I quickly got a job which meant I also had to commute back & forth for a couple of months until we got a new home. I faced many different challenges but I know that this is not something I could naturally do on my own strength, as it was completely out of my comfort zone. Philippians 4:13 came to mind "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me". I am looking forward to seeing what the Lord has in store for us.

Rachael, Ireland