

# Revival News



## European Monthly Report

Juy/August 2016



The Euro scene was dominated by two international revival camps; one in Wasserkuppe, central Germany, and one in Bath, England. There were people present from many different countries including some new frontiers like the Ukraine, Italy and Romania.



In Wasserkuppe, in particular, we had running translations going for six languages. It was very impressive to see the effort put in by many technicians to get this all working. The camp theme, Step Up, was very inspirational and was the source of many talks and some hilarious skits.

Back home now, the inspiration continues to motivate us to Reach out and be a testimony to the people around us.

The best camps ever!  
(We always say that; perhaps we have defective long term memory?)

### Coming Events:

#### Czech Camp

**26 - 30 October 2016**

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#### Ireland Camp

**2nd - 6th Nov 2016**

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#### The Netherlands Winter Camp

**25 December - 1 January**

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#### UK Winter Camp

**25 December - 1 January**

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**25 December - 1 January**

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### Server News, September 2016

All the movie files from both Euro camps are now available for download from our server. You can find them on: 'Public > Conventions and camps > Euro summer camp 2016 or UK Summer camp 2016.

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# Editorial: Let Nobody Trouble You...

**2Thess 2:1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and [by] our gathering together unto him,**

**2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.**

The first recorded prediction of the return of Jesus Christ dates from 66-70 AD.

A Jewish sect called the Essene, lead by one called Simon bar Giora, saw the Jewish revolt against the Romans in 66-70 AD in Judea as the final end-time battle before the arrival of the Messiah.

By the authority of Simon, coins were minted declaring the redemption of Israel.

This event is probably what the Apostle Paul is referring to when he wrote the above passage of scripture.

Looking back on this today, we can see that this was in reality the destruction of the Temple by the Roman General Titus.



Since that time, there have been literally hundreds of predictions, all now in the

past which, obviously, have all been wrong. The pictures below shows a "scroll" of some 13 A4 sheets taped together.

All these wrong predictions don't seem to



stop others, even in our present time, making new predictions at regular

intervals.

Here are some:

500 AD: Hippolytus of Rome, Sextus Julius Africanus and Irenaeus predicted Jesus would return in the year 500. One of the predictions was based on the dimensions of Noah's ark(?) Later on, this prediction was moved forward to the year 800 AD.

1st Jan 1000 AD: Various Christian clerics predicted the end of the world, including Pope Sylvester II. Riots occurred in Europe and pilgrims headed east to Jerusalem.

1284 AD: Pope Innocent III (d. 1216) predicted that the world would end 666 years after the rise of Islam.

1600 AD: Marten Luther predicted the end of the world would occur no later than 1600.

1658 AD: Christopher Columbus claimed that the world was created in 5343 BC and would last 7000 years. Assuming no year zero, that means the end would come in 1658.

1660 AD: Joseph Mede claimed that the Antichrist had appeared in 456, and the end would come in 1660.

1666 AD: Fifth Monarchists. The presence of 666 in the date, the death of 100,000 Londoners to bubonic plague and the Great Fire of London led to superstitious fears of the end of the world from some Christians.

1836 AD: Even John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Church, foresaw the Millennium beginning this year. He wrote that Revelation 12:14 referred to the years 1058-1836, "when Christ should come."

Some of these predictions are more bizarre than others, for example the story of Mary Bateman; In Leeds, England, in 1806 a hen began laying eggs on which the phrase "Christ is coming" was written. Eventually it was discovered to be a hoax. She had written on the eggs in a corrosive ink so as to etch the eggs, and reinserted the eggs back into the hen's oviduct.

More recently we have Charles Taze Russell. For 1874 and 1914. Later on his followers updated this to 1941 and 1975.

Another name on the list is Jim Jones. On the 18th of Nov 1978 he convinced 918 of his followers to commit suicide.

Harold Camping is another well known name. He predicted 21st May 2011 and 21st Oct 2011 as the end dates.

Last year, 2015, September was to be another date, even promoted by someone baptised with us in Rotterdam. We had to ask this sister to desist or leave. She left...

We can go on and on, all panic stuff. Rightly Paul writes: **Let nobody trouble you...**

So, does that mean Jesus is not coming back? No. People just don't look at the right criteria for His return.

Lets see:

**2Thess 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.**

There are two things mentioned here.

1- "Falling away" αποστασια~ apostasia, a falling away, defection, apostasy.

2- "man of sin be revealed".

Point 1: Some might think that this refers to the powerless churches. This cannot really apply because "falling away" could only refer to Spirit Filled people. All others cannot fall from something they never had in the first place! I believe it is talking about "Pentecostal churches" who are more and more moving away from the Pentecostal experience as the essential ingredient for become a son or

daughter of God.

Point 2: This most likely refers to a general recognition of the beast system. For it to become visible and recognised by the great majority of mankind.

How far this needs to go is unknown at this stage.

What is clear though is that all this is giving power to the ones predicting such events. Power induced by fear. It also motivates extreme behaviour by the followers who in their turn also experience power over others. This is the total opposite of what the gospel is for.

The gospel is based on love, not fear. It's about having a relationship with God, the Creator, based on love for God, His words, His son and one another. The motivation is based on wanting to do the right things, getting others to be how God wants them to be. So, **Let nobody trouble you...**

Ps Piet Visser.



## Heard at Camp

- God wants us to make it, but we have to do our bit.
- We may not consider ourselves evangelists, but God does.
- The Lord has promised to bless what we do in faith.
- We need to be confident about who we are, as we are living in a world full of religion.
- Let's not be too full of our own wisdom.
- If there is ever a time when we should not loose our sharpness, it is now.
- We live in a world full of distractions so be aware that they don't disconnect us from the Lord.
- Because of the sacrifice of Jesus, we are now able to access grace.
- It is crazy to keep doing the same things that don't work.
- God knows what is best for us so we need to use God's wisdom daily.
- Where are we on commitment and forgiving, loving in deed and not words?
- Prayer instils the qualities of God and gets rid of the noise of our daily life.
- Prayer turns the natural to supernatural, hopelessness to full of hope.
- Prayer connects us to God.
- Fear will sap our energy.
- Just looking at the top of the staircase doesn't mean we are at the top.
- It's not possible to take a step-up without leaving a step behind.

# Revival Across Europe



Richard, Rtdm, NL



Jushua, Rtdm, NL



Maria, Rtdm, NL



Jaqueliem, Rtdm, NL

**The Netherlands: seventeen people were born again**  
**England: seven people were born again**  
**Hungary: four people were born again**  
**Switzerland: one person was born again**  
**Ireland: three people were born again**  
**France: one person was born again**  
**Romania: six people were born again**  
**Suriname: six people were born again**



Carlo, Nth Lodon, UK



Laurance, Medway, UK



Aurel, Romania



Priscilla, Rtdm, NL



Rebekka, Romania



Roos, Rotterdam, NL



Jean, France



Christina, Romania



Gabriel, Romania



Simon, Romania



Ruud, Rtdm, NL



Rowie, Rtdm, NL



Florin, Romania



Luciano, Rtdm, NL



Lieke, Rtdm, NL



Ghislaine, Rtdm, NL



Anthonie, Rtdm, NL



Jenny, Rtdm, NL



Jason, Rtdm, NL



Emma, Hungary



West London, UK



Leslie, West Lndn, UK



Osé, Rtdm, NL



Heinz, Switzerland



Annette, Almere, NL



Junior, Almere, NL



Eddie, Caitlynn & Lorna, Ireland



Liverpool, UK



Liverpool, UK



Julia, Liverpool, UK



Consuella, Suriname



Laurens, Suriname



Regiena, Suriname



Romeo, Suriname



Brayen, Suriname



Robert, Suriname

# The Revival Fellowship in:

## Dordrecht, NL

For many brothers and sisters in Europe, the period of July/August is a highlight, as the Summer Camps take place. It is always good to be away from the influences of the world and spend time with our brethren. We were happy to have overseas visitors at our camps and it was good to hear their testimonies and fellowship with them. We were encouraged in one of the talks at camp to allow God to instruct us in righteousness, as it will make life a lot easier. And isn't this exactly what happens at camp? We receive instruction in righteousness. We all came back from the camps being refreshed and encouraged.

Back in Dordrecht, we held several activities. One of them was a combined picnic with the brethren from Rotterdam. A nice time of fellowship was had and at the same time a good opportunity to share the gospel with other people in the park.

Emily from the Gold Coast, and Geoff and Pamela from Darwin visited us. It is always nice to have visitors and hear new testimonies, so for everyone reading this: Feel free to come and visit us. We will be happy to have you!

## Rotterdam, NL

Summer Camp gave us a boost and the theme inspired us to take a good look at ourselves and work on overcoming things that are holding us back. We were happy to have Ps Jock and Hellen from Adelaide and Ps Michael and Angela from Canberra at our camp. The icing on the cake was having baptisms, six of whom were from Romania. It didn't matter that the sun didn't shine much as the happy faces of our new brethren shone more than the sun! We left camp built up and ready to plough the fields until we meet again at either another camp or when our Lord returns.

A brother returned from camp free from the trauma he experienced growing up in Sierra Leone. He suffered a lot and witnessed many horrific things happen to his family during the civil war which left him unable to trust people. He prayed about it and felt his burdens being lifted. Praise the Lord for not only healing us physically, but also mentally.

## Almere

Dear brothers and sisters, greetings in the name of the Lord. Four people were baptised in July and August; one of whom was told the gospel on different occasions over a period of three years. The last time she was spoken to, she decided to come to a meeting and be baptised.

Martha shared with us how the tumour in her breast had decreased and now she is happy to testify of a complete healing! It is great to see our brothers and sisters overcoming.

We had various activities such as an evening of Signs & Wonders and a Q&A evening which helped us to grow and overcome.

Of course we really enjoyed the Summer Camp. Nine Baptisms! Praise God. At camp we saw a presentation of the work in Curaçao and Suriname. Five people were born again in Suriname during the visit of brother Guillaume and seven were Spirit filled.

Delano and Meredith are now visiting and they

have baptised one person so far.



At the end of August we enjoyed a picnic in the afternoon, where the gospel was

spread. In the evening we had a quiz, where the ladies team battled the men's team. The ladies won! Congratulations...

We pray for more revival and hope to see you for a visit in Almere.

## Switzerland

At the beginning of July some of us went to San Remo, Italy to support their rally. We had a fantastic time preaching the gospel which resulted in having visitors at the meetings.



Back in Switzerland, Heinz walked into a meeting because he saw the R.F. logo outside and the scripture on it (Acts 2:38). He got baptised and spirit filled after the meeting. Praise the Lord! Since being in our new hall, we have had a few people walking in and listening to the word of God which is great.

We were blessed to have the Cope family and Ildi, Zsuzsa's sister, from Australia over for a Wednesday meeting and also brother Michael from UK.



At the end of the month we travelled to camp which was very uplifting and encouraging for us. After Camp we had Kevin and Marloes from Dordrecht visiting, which was very nice! One week later we had Dan, Vickie, Michael, Lynda and Christine from Australia and Italy visiting. It is great to have the unity in the spirit and hear testimonies from saints from afar. Thank you to everyone who visited and supported us!

## Czech Republic

In July and August, we had the most international visitors and visitors at the meeting from the whole year! Special thanks to 4 Dutch families, 1 Irish family, 1 Hungarian family, and 1 Australian couple for all of their fellowship. We started July with outreaches, barbecues and an 11km Fellowship walk in the mountains. We will always remember the 'Winter Olympics in a Summer' event, with fun events such as skiing, tobogganing and human table soccer on a warm, summers' day!

The theme of our Kids' Survival Camp this year



was "I am my brother's keeper". It was a great time of bonding in the forest for kids of different nationalities.

And several days later, we went to the Euro Camp together - a highlight of the year! Camp was an uplifting time of sharing testimonies and hearing great talks about Stepping Up. After camp, some brethren decided to step up in outreaching, and as a result, visitors came to the meetings!



We held a Monster Garage Sale, where we sold our unwanted goods to raise money for the Mission Fund. It was also a Czech Fellowship Open Day and 20 new people visited the hall. So exciting!

Heard in the talks at our Prayer and Fast: Don't be influenced by unbelievers around us! Continue until the end - keep running the race! The only way to follow God is to let our hearts be circumcised by the Spirit. And lastly, we heard that J.O.Y. stands for - Jesus first, Others second, and You last! God bless.

## Hungary

Greetings from the Hungarian saints where we had two people baptised and a second two filled with the Holy Spirit plus six baptisms and four people from Romania receiving at camp. There was a great camp in Wasserkuppe and Bath which many saints attended and we praise the Lord for the fantastic time of learning we all experienced.

There were many signs and wonders this month as the Romanian brethren went to camp. They greatly appreciated being able to go and we now support regular meetings in Romania. We had outreaches around the New and South Pest halls where we held presentations and face painting to get people in. We had a healing night where we saw the hand of the Lord giving many

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miracles to the saints and a Prayer and Fast weekend where the Lord was able to teach us how to walk in a more pure way.

One sister had a drive to witness to her colleagues and thanks the Lord that situations happened making it possible for her to do so. One lady would lose consciousness and be in a comatose state and sister prayed for her and now she is better.

A young sister lives a long way from the assembly and wanted to change schools to be able to attend meetings. She doesn't officially live in Budapest so it was officially not possible. After prayer, the barriers were taken away and she now attends school in Budapest and is able to attend meetings.

A young brother was chosen to go to Bali to take part in a chemistry competition but realised he wouldn't be able to attend a meeting there as it took place on a Sunday and decided the Lord was more important than this and so has decided not to go.

We held a Kids Camp where 21 youngsters between the ages of 8 to 17 attended. One child whose uncle attends regular meetings received the Holy Spirit and one of the girls was baptised meaning that all the kids at camp are now brothers and sisters in the Lord.

Another great month in the Lord. God Bless.

## Ireland

July and August have been a fantastic couple of months. The first Sunday in July began excitedly with our brother doing an interview on a radio programme aptly called "Out of this world". The radio station is based in the same hall as we have our meetings. Our brother was interviewed about the history of the Revival Fellowship, he shared his full testimony and the radio presenter also asked him lots of questions on his opinion on Churches today, which allowed him to expound even further. Praise The Lord!

We had a joint prayer and fast with Medway which was uplifting. The next day at the Sunday second meeting, we just had prayer in the Spirit. Lorna aged 12, who came with her mother Lisa, was sitting in awe listening to everybody praying in tongues. So our sister explained what



was happening and that she could have the Holy Spirit too. They prayed together and within a few minutes Lorna had received the Holy Spirit for herself. A great end to the day.

During July we have had some observers come along; Tammy, a young mother with her 2 children and also a young man called Stephen. At the end of July our new sister brought Eddie along together with their two daughters. After the first meeting Eddie prayed for the Holy Spirit which was very exciting. The family then said they'd come to Summer Camp and Eddie said he'd get baptised there. Praise The Lord.

Over the past two months we've had an abundance of visitors pass through: Stania & her daughters Anna & Irene (Czech); Sam Lindsay (Port Macquarie); Ian & Chris Stephens (Adelaide); Jeff & Emma Riddle (Perth); Pieta & Heather Swanson (Perth); Ryan & Sally O'Connor (Fresno); the Cope family (Perth); Jeff & Pamela Horni (Darwin) and the Murphy family (Medway). We really have enjoyed the fun, fellowship, ministry, sharing testimonies and simply hearing "good news from a far country" with everyone. We appreciate the efforts made by all to come over.

Some of us were able to attend the camps in Germany and Bath. The most exciting thing for the assembly was having the new family come to Bath camp. Eddie got baptised together with his daughters Caitlynn (14) and Lorna (12). It was a wonderful moment for all involved. Praise The Lord. Two testimonies that were immediately shared by the family: Caitlyn testified how she noticed whilst having a conversation with two saints that she was able to look them straight in the eyes (something she could never do); Eddie testified how he would never eat in front of strangers but at camp he felt very comfortable in doing so and in general at ease with everyone. Praise the Lord.

The weekend after camp, the Breretons and Sam Lindsay visited Lisa & Eddie's family in Kerry where they live. Afterwards there was a Q&A session and some challenging questions were asked but they were directed to what the Bible said on each topic. After 5.5 weeks we bid farewell to Sam Lindsay who returned to Australia. We appreciated the visit! Until next month, take care.

## North London, UK

Another good month for North London, with a significant number of visitors coming in as a result of outreaching and general witness opportunities.

We enjoyed our annual garden party which is

always a real draw for visitors. This year was no exception.

We visited the saints in Bournemouth for an afternoon of fellowship. We also went cycling with the Medway saints.

We repeated our 'jumble sale' style outreach at the hall, and again had a very good response: dozens of people coming in and hearing the gospel, some praying to receive the Spirit. A couple stayed to discuss the significance of Bible prophecy, healings, testimonies and salvation scriptures. Pretty much everyone who came through the door got to hear the gospel. Summer camp, as always, was a real boost, and we benefited from large numbers of mainly Australian visitors staying over in London and coming to meetings and fellowships. After camp, we took our outreach tent to a local area for a day of witnessing and prophecy display.

We also had one baptism, Carlo.

## Liverpool, UK

Greetings from Liverpool. It has been pretty much business as usual since we last wrote. We saw the three conversions of Michael, Joseph and Julia, all of whom wanted to start a new life.

We also thoroughly enjoyed the UK Summer Camp, our Skype link-up with our assembly in Alice Springs in central Australia and all the visiting brethren that have come to support us. We have such a strong, united family in the Lord!



We also inform you that our dear sister, Claire Finney, passed away in the Lord at the age of 86, having been born again for the last 30 years and remaining in fellowship up until the very end. She had a remarkable life and especially in the Lord. She had many healings, including deliverance from three heart attacks and most notably a stroke some years ago where she has lost all movement in all her limbs and in speech, but she was prayed for by Lesley (Claire's

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Sister Claire

daughter) and sister Claire was healed as she lay in Lesley's arms. She enjoyed many more years after this with no effects whatsoever. The day before she passed away, Claire was

convalescing in hospital and all of a sudden sat bolt upright and started to speak in tongues much to the great surprise of the surrounding family who are not born again (yet).

Our sister Claire "fought a good fight, finished her course and kept the faith" 2 Tim 4:7-8, and now awaits her crown when the Lord returns. In the meantime, the rest of us are all still overcoming and endeavouring to be about our Father's business. God bless.

## Medway, UK

Greetings from the saints in Medway. August was a busy month for us. Beginning with our Summer Camp in Bath. We were inspired by the many talks and testimonies and enjoyed a great time of unity and fellowship with our brothers and sisters from around the world. We are all rejoicing in the baptism of our young brother Laurence after receiving the Holy Spirit at camp. We continue to outreach around the Medway towns and have had several visitors this month, a few still observing.

We were blessed with a visit from the Byrne family. Aleisha shared her testimony of peace when she contracted bells palsy and suffered paralysis on one side of her face. Within a few weeks she was completely fine.

Ps Tim updated us on the steadfastness of our brothers and sisters in Pakistan through many trials, but seeing many miracles which was encouraging as well as inspiring.

We would like to congratulate both Robyn and Monty and Chelsea and Nathan who announced their engagements this month. And also to Georgia and Alex who are expecting a new addition in March 2017.



Monty, Robyn, Alex, Georgia, Nathan & Alex

Thanks to all who visited us this month, many saints from all over, we appreciate your fellowship.

## West London, UK

Greetings from West London. Great fellowship, revival and camps! We baptised two people, both were from street outreaching and are being followed up.



Item from the Girls

We held a 'miracles still happen' presentation outreach (copied from Poole fellowship) in July which attracted six visitors with two receiving the Holy Spirit.

At a recent Sunday meeting, we had six visitors. One was a young man who was spending a couple of hours in the high street before catching a flight back home to Vietnam. We passed on his details to Pastor Colin who within a few minutes had assigned someone to follow him up upon his return. Now that is efficient! We have had a flow of overseas visitors which has been good. Edouard from France gave a talk on fear. He mentioned that God is the great dis-entangler and that we must look for signs that are in the Bible, not those that are not. As we walk on in the Lord our fears should diminish as we believe in the scriptures and take comfort in them.

The summer camp theme on 'stepping up' has inspired ongoing application talks helping to keep what we learnt at the fore.

Heard from the platform:

- Let's be a good influence on people.
- We are trees of righteousness; what's growing on your tree?
- Miracles are for the picking, we just need to grab hold of them

## Italy

Greetings from Italy to all our brethren. We had our first Italian Rally on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of July. We used our new hall that is situated in Arma di Taggia which is in the Imperia, Liguria region. We are on the coast 30 kilometres from the French border.

We had a great time outreaching and there were 39 visitors that attended over the three days, this included seven visitors. It was a special occasion for the Italian saints to have visitors from Australia, England, Switzerland and The Netherlands who came to support the work of the Lord.

We heard the Word being faithfully preached and listened to many wonderful testimonies of God's miracles. Many people enquired about the weekends' events and it has sparked a lot of interest for the locals. Having our own hall has been a big positive move, showing we are



Sunday Meeting

stepping forward in faith and trusting the Lord will bless!

On the Sunday evening of our Rally we made contact with a family of four in Milano who want

to continue fellowshipping with us, with one baptism to happen. Having a hall has made it easier to invite people to different events, this included a Games Day activity where eight visitors attended and these contacts are still continuing. We supported the outreach in Switzerland with the assembly in Bern on the 20th and 21st of August, which was a great time of fellowship and witnessing had by all. We now have saints in San Remo, Torino, Milan, and Sicily.



## Testimony

I was born again 14 years ago in Vanuatu. I used to think that I was already a Christian as my parents made me go to church every Sunday. My nephew, who used to be a drug user and dealer, told me the gospel but I didn't want to hear, although I could tell that he understood the Bible.

My wife got born again and I saw her life totally change. I went along to a meeting where I heard how God wanted me to follow Him and do what He asked. I repented, was baptised in the ocean and received the Spirit, speaking in tongues, which was a miracle for me.

My life has changed since then. My marriage to Josephine was very bad and we were at the point of divorcing. It has been completely restored. I have my ups and downs but God gives me power and happiness. I keep standing on God's promises and ask Him for help and He does.

It always goes well with us when we keep walking in the path that He has laid done for us.

Jacob, The Netherlands





