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Our Heart: The World
Our Heartbeat: Murcia, **Spain**

Jan. 3, 2024 Dear Church, Pastor & Praying Friends

Happy New Year 2024!

We are still in the midst of the Christmas season here in Spain with Three Kings Day this Saturday. We took advantage of the holidays to have some special evangelistic services. Since November, our choir has been practicing diligently to present a Cantata. We had a record 96 in attendance for the Cantata on the 24th with many first time visitors!! The choir did a great job. One of the ladies in our church also organized a children's choir. The kids are always a favorite and sang beautifully.

We also had 2 Christmas banquets. One in the new Church on the Coast and another in the main Church in Murcia this last Sunday. We asked our people to bring some of their traditional Christmas favorites from here and around the world.

It is good to be used of the Lord.

The Lord continues to grow the Coast Bible Baptist Church. We have a new lady attending from Ecuador named Geraldine. And for the last two weeks a family from Nicaragua has started to come. They are refugees seeking asylum from the Ortega regime. They are professionals. He is a doctor and she is a physical therapist. He has also studied 2 years in the Baptist seminary in Costa Rica. The Lord is sending us workers that have preparation and the desire to serve. Wow!

David, who plays the piano in the Coast church, gave a testimony this last week that blessed our hearts. He gave thanks to the Lord for us coming to the coast to start a new church so that they could have a place to worship. Something that many people take for granted.

Another lady named Julia, who has been attending now for 2 months, made an interesting comment. She is the sister of a Catholic priest and said "I have learned more in the last month than all of my years in the Catholic church". We are encouraged by the new work. Continue to pray for growth and salvations as we cover the city with gospel tracts.

Your faithful giving makes it possible for us to be here. But it's your prayers that make us effective. Thank You! May God bless you and your family!

For Spanish Souls

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On a personal note I want to thank the Lord for allowing me to finish reading the Old Testament in the original Hebrew language. I read 10-20 verses everyday and it took me almost 6 years but it was a rich experience. I really enjoyed it.

We had 6 in the church finish reading the entire Bible this year. We encourage and motivate the people each year to do this as a means of growth. I have started on the New Testament in Greek. It shouldn't take me as long.

Our goal at the beginning of the year 2023 was to see 10 people directly converted through our ministry. We rejoice to report that 11 souls were saved this year and 7 were baptized.

The church continues to grow and new doors are opening. A family visited this last Sunday from a city about 40 minutes away that would like for us to come and start a prayer group/Bible study. There is no Baptist church in the area.

Maybe the Lord is preparing us for the next church plant. Pray that the Lord would raise us some of our men to take on pastoral leadership so that we can continue to expand the work here to other cities.

Praise - Christmas Cantata, salvations, new members and visitors.

Continue to pray for:

- **Salvation: José Antonio, Diego's father, Nancy**
- **Leaders and assistant pastor.**
- **New Church Plant**

New Family of 4 (behind David)



Cantata



Christmas Banquet - Coastal Church



Children's Choir

