

# BAPTIST AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST

“WE ARE AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST.” II COR. 5:20

Dear Pastor & Church:

April, 2024

Holy Week (Easter) here in Spain was a real **disappointment** to a lot of people. We had the worst weather we can remember during all the years (53) we have been here. The disappointed ones were those that were counting on the processions all over Spain that move their **statues and idols** out of the churches and parade them in the streets so people can pray and repent from all their sins this past year. How sad to watch these well-educated, well-dressed, well-fed people continue to be sold out to these false doctrines. How simple is salvation by grace through faith but how difficult it is for them to accept this blessed privilege.

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**A TRIBUTE:** We wanted to take the occasion of our daughter Joy's (Loveday) 65th birthday to give credit where credit is due. Joy was **5 months old** when our ship docked in Montevideo, Uruguay to begin our first term as missionaries. She grew up there and when we felt the call of God to leave Uruguay and head for Europe and Spain in particular, she was with us as well. She was a young teenager then. Was she always a “good little girl”? Not always, but God did an amazing job in her life when he saved her and later called her to serve Him. She met and married Jack while in college.

So except for her years in college, deputation and a few furloughs, she has lived on **the mission field all her life**. She is a cancer survivor (age 26) and she and Jack are hard at work building a **local church** in the city of Madrid. She has learned sign language and is an accomplished piano player and teacher. They gladly stepped into our shoes with the **camp ministry** after we were no longer able to do what we previously did. At the moment she is literally my “right hand” as she helps me do the harder things on my computer that I still struggle with as well as the tender, loving care she shows Lavon and me every time we are with her. **THANK YOU JOY!** We are proud of you and rejoice to be your loving parents.

The Easter **cantata** (The Easter Lily) at church was well attended with **95** people in spite of the extreme weather. The sun is out today in Guadalajara thankfully and that makes everything look brighter. We need your prayers so much every day.

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*“Holding forth the word of life...” Phil. 2:16*

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