

Merry Christmas — 2016



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Missionaries to Spain

2016 in Pictures

January

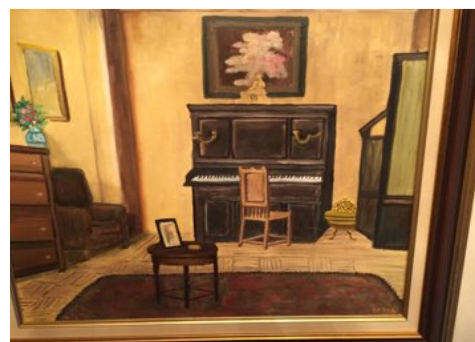


Having started four churches “from scratch” Marisa and I are able to assist, or to “boost” start-ups all over Spain.



Maybe the most important part of our visits to the church plants is the 4-5 lunch with the pastors after the service!

February



Our General Council for the Assemblies of God of Spain is usually in February. Again, this year we organized an art exhibition of artists from our congregations. (Marisa painted this piece.)



We had this prayer room at the General Council. Marisa and another pastor organized it, with a lot of help,



Marisa presides over the Bible school board. She has for 17 years now. It is fun to watch amazing progress in all areas of the Bible school.

March



La Industria, in northern Spain, is a discipleship school that also emphasizes the development of artistic talents. I get to teach on practical Christianity every year. Very enjoyable!

April



We still promote missions throughout Spain. Using an idea I took from a visit last year to Midland, MI, we printed up prayer maps of Spain and every country where a missionary sent from Spain is serving.

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June



I got to preach the graduation at the Bible school this year

August



We are still preaching youth camps! We had three last year. This one in southern Spain was very fruitful.

October



Eddie de la Rosa & Tom Hammel brought 7 youth pastors from California to give workshops and hold an evening service.

November



Lay Leadership Conferences are a hit! Teaching practical ministry to the volunteers in the local church. Looks like we'll have 5 next year



At the latest Lay Leadership, we had an art exhibition. The artists did a "flash mob" painting, finishing the work in 15 minutes. It turned out well.



David Childers, pastor in Las Vegas, NV, has held seminars on Forgiveness for me for years. This year we printed his book in Spanish




Of course, the major story is the new Bible school building project. We are going to build an auditorium/chapel out back. Action Now, the ministry that helped so incredibly with the first phase, has pledged to match all donations up to \$250,000 for this second phase. Please consider helping out.



December



Merry Christmas!



We need prayer! (pretty obvious isn't it?) There are over 100 people on our prayer team that pray for us each week. If you would like to back us in prayer, write me an email at the address below.

We have a web page www.scottmarisa.com It has videos, lots of pictures, our history, interesting facts about Spain, even recipes!

Being in over our heads is where we have always wanted to be. Reaching for the impossible, trying the improbable, means, first of all, dependence on God. One of my favorite sayings before ministry is "If this turns out well, it'll be a miracle."

Whether it is raising a stunning amount of money for the Bible school building project, or preaching a youth retreat, what we are aiming for is way out of our reach. We want the people that have to listen to us to experience God, to feel His presence and to know Him more. Otherwise it is just another one of my "speeches."

When we help ministries here with resources, where did those resources come from? From God's people. From you. The wisdom young ministers need does not come from our experience. The encouragement they long for does not come from our optimism.

Without Him we can do nothing. We're all in this together.

Thank you!



I can't believe you read this whole thing! Marisa and I appreciate your prayers, your support, the teams that come and the many, many other things you do.
God bless you.
We love you,
Scott & Marisa