

# Juan & Teté Alvarez

Missionaries to the Basque Country, Spain

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## Dear brethren

It is a joy to greet you once again! We are very thankful to the Lord for being able to count with your prayers and support in different ways. In the last few weeks we have faced some sickness, but we thank the Lord for His strength to keep moving forward. The summer months are drawing near, and we are making the necessary plans to carry out different activities. Please pray that the Lord would bless us and use us for His glory.

## Aierdi

The summer is coming close and with it several activities. We will have two youth teams in June and July that will come to help us in diverse projects at Aierdi. The 17th of June, Lord willing, we will carry out or 56th Intensive Bible Institute. The subject will be 1 Corinthians and the teacher will be Kent Albright. It seems like there will be a big group of brethren coming from different parts of Spain, as well as some brethren from Equatorial Guinea that will be joining us on-line.

We also continue preparing for our retreat for pastors and workers. We have had to make a waiting list since several families want to come but the space has filled up. In fact, we will have to use tents to be able to accommodate a few of the young people that will be joining us. Please pray that the Lord would use this retreat to be an encouragement to everyone that will be participating.



## Church

We are amazed to see the Lord's blessing to His church in our corner of the Basque Country. A few weeks ago we witnessed the baptism of 4 new believers: Matilda, Carmen, Marco and Ariel. Every Sunday visitors are coming to church, many of which have heard the Gospel and have placed their faith in Christ as their Savior. We will soon have another baptism service. We remember the years in which we could not see fruit, so now it is a joy to witness God's blessing as a result of being faithful.



## Opportunities to serve: Rescued and transformed lives

One of the most powerful testimonies that exists is a life rescued and transformed by the Lord. Before her baptism, Matilda shared a few words with the church. In the picture above you can see her reading her testimony.

Her arms are full of tattoos that may never be erased from her skin, but she is now clean and redeemed, and all her sins have been erased and forgiven. The scars of our past might still be present, but the glorious truth that Christ's blood cleanses us from all our sin becomes greater and more marvelous when we see a rescued and transformed life. We know that the Lord's work to change us into His image has not finished yet, but how amazing it is to think that we are not just one more name before the Lord! We have been loved in such a way that the very Son of God died for us. Blessed be our Savior for His love

and patience towards the sinner! By God's grace, a few weeks ago Sorin, Matilda's husband, trusted the Lord as his Savior! It is exciting to see the Holy Spirit's work in this family's life. Now we are praying for their daughters' salvation as well as for Matilda's sister.

Carmen, Marco's wife, one of the men that was baptized, is coming to church faithfully. At the beginning she came hesitantly, but it is evident how the Lord is working in her heart. Pray that she might soon be saved. We also ask you to pray for Zacarias and Jose (a Spanish man) who have recently started coming to church. Also for an Argentinian couple that has been coming lately. Lastly, we ask you to pray for the young people and children in our church, since the pressure and indoctrination they receive at school is tremendous.

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*Thank you, dear brethren, for your prayers and faithful support!  
It is a joy and a privilege to be your ambassadors and  
collaborators in Spain. Because He is worthy,*

*Juan y Teté Alvarez*