

PRAYER LETTER

jan-mar 2023

Perez's Family



Dearly beloved,

Grace and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I am very grateful to the Lord for how He has blessed and cared for our church during the past months and how He has used your prayers, offerings and support for it.

It is a joy, too, to be able to share this with you through this prayer letter.

We would have liked to write to you earlier, but some family and health issues have made it difficult.

Let me tell you how this first quarter of the year has gone.

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Our Church

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New members

Last January, four new members joined our church, Ermanno, Andrea, Pilar and Kerin. We give thanks for the testimony of all of them and their commitment to our family of faith.



Membership Course

Currently, nine brothers and sisters are participating in the membership course, Angel, Gloria, Enric, Monica, Gonzalo, Giovanna, Adrian, Amalia and Francisco. May the Lord bless their interest and desire to be members of the IBE.



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Our Church

9Marks
Seminary

Last February, I was able to participate as an instructor in a 9 Marks seminar, which was attended by pastors from many churches in Spain. The theme was "The church and its membership". We hope that it was a blessing and instruction for all of them and will result in healthier and stronger churches in our country.



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Our Church

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Annual Conference

In February we held our annual conferences and had as our guest speaker the Spanish pastor, theologian and writer José de Segovia. The theme of the conferences was "The Incarnation of Christ" and he helped us all to understand and live this precious fundamental doctrine of our faith.



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Surprise Visit

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Sereníssima
Ministries
(Venecia- Italy)

Also in February we received a surprise visit from our brothers Robert & Sandy Krause from the ministry "La Serenissima" in Venice, Italy. We give thanks for their support and friendship in Christ.



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"Rejoice 2023"

Online Conference

On the 25th of February, Silvia participated in the online conferences for Christian women "Rejoice 2023". The theme of the conference was based on Esther 4:14. The part that Silvia developed was based on Philippians 1:27 "Called to live a life worthy of the Gospel". A group of women from our church took the opportunity to meet and connect to the lectures. It was a great blessing for all of us.



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Ibiza's Retreat

Helping others

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At the beginning of March, Silvia and I had the privilege of being invited to the first retreat of Baptist churches in the Balearic Islands, in the Mediterranean Sea. There, I preached on Romans 14 and 15. May the Lord bless these small but faithful churches in such a difficult territory as the Balearic Islands.



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Our Church

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Health

The months of February and March have been particularly difficult as many members of our church have suffered from various illnesses and serious health problems, including some hospitalisations. Some of them are still in serious condition and we ask for your prayers for the health of our church in general.

We ask for special prayers for our brother Francisco Ibáñez who is in hospital with a pulmonary embolism. Also for our brother David Cubelos who suffers from Crohn's disease and has been hospitalised several times.



Francisco



David

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Our Family

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Claudia and Julia

As far as our family is concerned, we continue to ask for your prayers.

Our two daughters, Claudia and Julia, continue to progress in their studies and we are very grateful to the Lord for that.

We want to thank you for your prayers for them and especially for Claudia, who has been attending church again for a few months now.

We ask for prayers for both of them. It is very difficult in our denominational context to have fellowship with other churches, especially because of the distance between churches. Pray that our daughters will be able to have Christian friendships and fellowship with other young believers. We are praying that they will be able to go to a camp in southern Spain this summer.



Claudia



Julia

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Our Family

Car

Thanks to the Lord, your prayers and the financial support of some of you, we have a new car, well it is second hand, it is 7 years old but it is like new. After 18 years we had to retire "blue ray". We are very grateful to the Lord. It is a Mini One Cooper, small but enough for us. May the Lord bless it so that we can continue to use it as a family and for the ministry. Brothers I am Silvia, I also want to ask for prayer for Javier so that he can get his driving licence as soon as possible :) :)

! Goodbye "blue ray" !



! Welcome Mini One !



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This March Silvia has been ill for two weeks with otitis and pneumonia, we ask for your prayers for her speedy recovery. She is very tired and her medication has been changed several times. Thanks to the Lord she is gradually getting better.

As always, we also pray for you, your churches, families and ministries. We know that in all the worldwide fellowship we face different trials and challenges, but we are called to glory in the midst of them as part of God's work in us. Thank you for your help in every way, but most especially for your prayers on behalf of our church and family. May God continue to be glorified in all things

Your brothers and fellow servants in the work of the Kingdom,

Pastor Javier Pérez and Family

