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## CROSS-CULTURAL MISSIONARIES TO SPAIN AND LATINOS



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Greetings from the Roses! We are so thankful and our hearts overflow with praise for God's faithfulness! Bill had a successful trip to Spain in March. In the two weeks that he was there he at a wedding, a special meeting to open a new building for a sister ministry, and participated in the ordination of the pastor for the mission church we planted in Cártama! In addition to those special events he, Pedro, and leaders from Decision, España met with the mayor of Cártama and another representative from city hall to talk about plans for the August evangelistic campaign and applying for the required permission from the city. We estimate between 40-50 Christian young people from all over Spain will coming to focus on reaching the unreached towns in the Valle of Guadalhorce, where Cártama is located. Bill was also able to finalize many details with housing and transportation for the mission group from Michigan that will be going to work with us in Spain for two weeks this summer! It was a busy but profitable trip for him and we praise God for bringing him back across the ocean safely, as his first transatlantic flight had a mechanical problem and had to return for an emergency landing in Zurich! We are always thankful for travel safety, but a situation like that reminds us to not take God's watch care over us for granted. In Bill's words, the scare also brought the need for world missions to the forefront of his mind, as he was surrounded by people of many different nationalities. In other flights of this trip, he had two opportunities to share the gospel, but as he was thinking about sharing the good news of salvation during that scary experience, he realized nobody around him could understand either language he speaks. There is a great need for more missionaries in all the countries of the world!

God has been so good to provide for our daily needs, and also provide for the special evangelistic events coming up this summer! Partners have helped us with the many of the funds needed for the evangelistic campaign in August, the vans needed for the mission groups, and also with our plane tickets which have all been paid already. We are so thankful for that provision and those generous partners! We still need funding for a few additional projects for the evangelism this summer, but we are thankful for all God has done and trust that He will provide for those needs as well! Spring is here already and summer is barreling toward us rapidly. We now have monthly meetings with the 15 teens and adults going to Spain with us from July 7-18. The daily schedule has been laid out with a variety of ministry and work projects and we ask specifically for prayer for our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual evangelistic sports tournaments on July 15! We are asking God for a harvest of souls this year. The group from Michigan will be there to help set up/tear down and also to help prepare and distribute the sno-cones and follow up material that we have for after the gospel presentation is given. Two of the girls from the group will be staying an extra week to help out with Vacation Bible School at the church in Cártama that week.

In the midst of all of the preparation for the summer ministry in Spain, the work in Michigan continues. We had 29 present to celebrate Easter Sunday with the Lord's supper a couple of weeks ago, and we continue to get leads for new prospects. We plan to have a Spanish presence at the Three Rivers Water Festival this year and will be working to get our church members to participate in sharing their faith with those who may be searching. JohnPaul is excited to finish his sophomore year on June 2 and get his drivers license when he has his birthday later that month. In the midst of all the other planning we are preparing for Jordan and Joshua's weddings in May and June! Please continue to remember our family and ministry in your prayers. May God bless each of you in your place of service!

Serving Christ until He comes, Bill and Dena Rose