



# THE ROSA FAMILY

- SERVING THE LORD IN SPAIN -



## Youth Group & Nursing Home Ministries "on the go"

We are very thankful to the Lord for the good start of these two ministries in 2023. The youth group meets twice every month, either at church or at homes. They sing and study the Bible together, and enjoy a good time of fellowship. Two young ladies in the group have asked to be baptized soon. It is a blessing to see their interest in following the Lord. We also go to the Nursing Home once a month, always with a good reception from the elderly. Please, keep praying for these two ministries.



Youth meeting at our home



Preaching at the Nursing Home

«And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain ; ye are yet in your sins.[...] But now IS CHRIST RISEN FROM THE DEAD»

1 Corinthians 15:17, 20a

## Victory in Jesus!

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Warm Christian greetings from Spain! By the grace of God we are back again to give testimony of God's goodness and faithfulness to us. We rejoice in our risen Savior, Who won the victory over death and sin at the cross, and now has made us partakers of His victory by faith in Him. This is the Good News we want to share with those who the Lord puts in our way here in our portion of the mission field.

As we do every year during Easter weekend, this time we are going to go to another town, Pineda de Mar, which is 26 km (16 miles) from Mataró, and we will distribute Gospels of John there. Also, we will have a time of fellowship at church, as we eat lunch together and listen to God's Word to get the needed nourishment, both in our body and in our soul. We covet your prayers for us and our congregation in all these activities, and at the same time we thank you for your faithful financial help through all these years. Above all, we thank God "**which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ**" (1 Corinthians 15:57).

*Oh, victory in Jesus, my Savior forever,*

*He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood.*

*He loved me 'ere I knew Him and all my love is due Him;*

*He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.*

## Two “Calçotades” this Year!

Every year we have a “Calçotada” (a cookout of grilled meat and “calçots”, which are a local kind of onions, grilled and accompanied with a special sauce) as a very special event of fellowship and an opportunity to invite friends to hear the gospel. Last year we couldn’t have one, so this year we had two, the first in January with really cold weather, and another by the end of March, with a very nice temperature. We thank the Lord for these opportunities to strengthen the unity among us.

## Sunday Fraternal Meals

Several months ago we as a family and three more couples decided to stay at church for lunch on Sunday, because we live far, and this was the best way to save time and money. After some months, the Lord has increased the number of families staying to eat, providing an extended time to fellowship and invite visitors to stay and get to know them better. The youths

have an opportunity to serve, preparing the tables and cleaning up. We even can have regular choir practice before the afternoon service!



**Serving lunch**

## Prayer Answers & Requests:

- We thank the Lord for His care and blessing upon our family. We see His hand helping us through many circumstances in life. Our daughter Francina went through some problems with the Dept. of Education here in Catalonia because she had been homeschooled until 10th grade, and she had to take some difficult exams. The Lord helped her and she passed, so she can continue her regular studies now, besides Music studies at the Conservatory.

- Pray for Patricia, a lady from Argentina, who has been attending our church for several months now. She has shown much interest, and has been studying the Bible with two other ladies, but she has not received the Lord Jesus in her heart yet, even though the opportunity to do so was given to her. Last week she had to be admitted to the ER for a strong pain in the abdomen, and she was diagnosed with kidney stones. Pray for her spiritual condition, that she will come to the Lord in the midst of her trials.

- Finally, continue praying for our daughters Loida and Maria in their pregnancies.

## Closing Words

How good it is to look back and “count the many blessings” the Lord has bestowed upon us. How grateful we are to Him for allowing us to be in His service! And so are you, by upholding us in prayer, and also by helping us with your “substance”. May you have the joy and gratification of seeing His faithful hand working in your life and ministry there where you are. We pray for you too!

Serving the Lord together with you,

The Rosa family



**Annual Calçotada 2023**