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Dear Prayer Partners in Europe

Revival – are we expecting it?

Some have been praying for revival for 50 years or more, hoping and longing for a glorious outbreak of God's power like in the past. Some have grown tired of praying because it hasn't come yet. But remember Jesus' story of the persistent widow (Luke 18:1-8) who never gave up. Remember also the golden bowls in heaven that, are being filled with our prayers, are like incense rising to God (Revelation 5:8). So every prayer counts! And surely the prayer that continues over 50 years is very precious to God and builds something powerful in the spiritual dimension.

So, **are you expecting revival?**

Spiritual Revival

Some are sensing that God wants to do a new thing in Europe, to rebuild His Kingdom here and maybe prepare for Jesus' return. Parts of Europe have seen many revivals in the past, while other parts have never received it, but surely the whole continent is now dry and thirsty. Also, our global culture is now much more homogenous so that an outbreak in one place would spread over the whole continent and beyond.



What might revival look like and what can we learn from the past?

- *Revival can be unexpected.* Evan Roberts, who God used in the 1904 Welsh Revival, was a young man, not an established church leader, and many of the people that God used were young. In this pandemic time our church services have suddenly moved online – what if the revival happens mostly online?
- *Revival can be uncomfortable* and unexpected people can be saved – people with many problems, needing a lot of help, but very hungry for God.
- *Revival can happen quickly or slowly.* In 1904 in South Wales, 100,000 people joined the church in six months. The Azusa Street revival in Los Angeles lasted at least three years, but the East African revival lasted several decades.
- *Counterfeits can tragically arise.* Jesus warned us that false prophets would come like wolves disguised as sheep (Matthew 7:15). The Eastern Lightning cult in China, which says that Jesus has already come back as a Chinese woman, has deceived millions,.
- *But above all, spiritual revival is glorious!* We are praying with Europe Shall Be Saved (ESBS) for 100 million people to join the Kingdom in Europe. Imagine that! That means the Body of Christ across Europe growing by about four times. Yes, Lord, Amen!

How can we play our part?

- PRAY, PRAY AND PRAY!!
- Know God as well as you can, search your heart and lifestyle for anything that should be put right, learn to hear His voice and obey. Make yourself 100% available to Him for whatever He wants to do.
- Prepare your answer for when people ask you, "What must I do to be saved?"
- Don't give up. Remember, your prayers are like incense before God in heaven and will help fill the golden bowls!
- Be prepared for the unexpected. Be prepared for God to use someone else and not you, even though you have prayed a lot. Look out for those that God is using and support them, whether young or old, native European or refugee.
- Ask God for faith in prayer. For example, Evan Roberts asked God for 100,000 people in Wales in 1904 and ESBS are asking for 100 million in Europe.

Prayer Points

1. Thank God for His blessings to Europe in the past and also that He is always doing a new thing.
2. The current lockdown is a useful time to review our priorities and activities, to reset our lives. Ask God to show you how you should prepare for revival and pray that the church will be ready.
3. Pray for a massive turning to Jesus across our continent!

GLOBAL OUTREACH DAY

GO 2020

A special initiative called GO 2020 is starting today and continuing the whole month of May!

The aim is to mobilise Christians all over our continent to share the Gospel personally or online with 5 people.

(use this link below)

[GO 2020](#)

To launch GO 2020 in Europe a webinar will take place every Friday of the month at 20:00 (CET) (only in English).

Register now or follow on Youtube! This initiative is hosted by Global Outreach and Europe Shall be Saved.

(use this link below)

[Webinar Registration](#)

Additional Prayer Points:-

1. During this very different Ramadan, pray for many Muslims to have a revelation of Jesus.
2. Corona pandemic: Pray for our continent as many countries start their transition out of lockdown and that this will not cause a new spike of infection.

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