



# ANDERSONS to CANTABRIA, *Spain*



Children's Class



Thanksgiving Meal



Camilo and Churros



Cookies with  
Friends



Game Night

In the last newsletter we wrote about the start of the church here "La Vid" in Santander and we are excited to let you know how things are going. We have been busy working with the new families that are attending and focusing on where they are in their spiritual journey and shepherding them in the right direction. We have anywhere between 35 and 50 people including children. That is a huge PRAISE for just a little church start in a living room. Our service is on Sunday, then Tuesday nights the men have a small group, Wednesday the ladies have a small group and once each month we have a teen night. We have also had a couple of outreach opportunities, Thanksgiving meal together with new visitors and Christmas churros and chocolate also drawing new visitors. It's an exciting time with all the new faces but also a very busy time. We are still continuing to grow the relationships we have spent the last, almost five years, building and staying involved in their lives.

Which leads us to the **BIG REQUEST** we have at hand. We did not get the building that we were trying to rent. In short, the community voted against the church for their neighborhood. So, we are on the search for a new building and we need your help. We are asking for specific prayer for a building that would be able to be used for a church, not connected to any other buildings, parking already established, near bus or train transportation and within 25 minutes of Santander. We are even willing to look into rent to buy options or possibly with the Lord's help, purchase our own building. The options are few. Please pray with us for this need. We have outgrown our home and there are many looking to attend and we need space for them.

On other news, we had a great opportunity to go to Greece with SENT, Inc. our sending agency for a retreat. It was a much needed time of encouragement and fellowship with the other SENT missionaries. We took a trip to visit Philippi, Lydia's River and Amphipolis. This was our first time to visit ancient biblical sights and it was amazing. You always hear how it brings the bible to life but until you experience it you really don't understand the magnitude of it. It made a great impact on each us. We are very thankful for SENT putting everything together for us and making this trip possible.

As Christmas has come and gone we had several open doors to spend time with our friends here. They are always so kind to open their door to us so that we don't feel alone during the holidays. We are so thankful for their kindness toward us. Our neighbors (Monica and Frank) planned movie night for us, then we had a family over to decorate Christmas cookies (they are from Tijuana), one evening we had a late night traditional Colombian dinner at another friends house (Monica-the girl Katie has been discipling). The dinner started at 10pm and lasted until 3am. The following day we had merienda (5:30 snack) with another family and played games. Needless to say these Americans were EXHAUSTED, but grateful.

Please continue to pray for the Gaona family. They are waiting for visa approval and we are excited for them to get here! Also, the Perez family for their paperwork to get organized and finalized quickly.

We want to really take this time and thank each of you who have invested so much into our family and ministry here in Spain. We know that all of this is only possible through your faithfulness. Thank you for your time, your prayers and your financial gifts. We are so thankful for you all.

Sincerely, The Anderson's