

# Bill & Therese Williams

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## THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE BETTER

**THE GOOD** - God is so good. As I wrote in our March prayer letter, since the first of the year our Heavenly Father has tremendously blessed our work here in Palencia; and in a short time since that letter, we have seen his healing hand blessing in the lives of the folks who have joined with our little congregation in Palencia. Wow! I wish I had the time and the space to tell you all about it! But here are just a few tidbits. In our last letter, I wrote you about a small store-front building we had rented. On April 6th we held our first service, and while we are in the process of renovations to make it more comfortable as well as presentable, we have already had a high of 18 folks with a Sunday morning average attendance of twelve. The second baptism of our infant work was celebrated last month in a small swimming pool on our apartment balcony. Pilar was saved over a year ago, but was never properly disciplined in the first baby steps of her new-found faith. After Therese dealt with her need for following the Lord in scriptural baptism, she gladly presented herself. Since then, her husband Juan has also joined with us. Hector and Isabel and their two young adult children also became members several weeks ago. Our first wedding will be celebrated in August when Carmen and Jeefrey will tie the knot. Carmen's fiance, Jeefrey, will be joining with us as well.



**THE BAD** - When God blesses, Satan gets mad. Several of the families have come from a small mission work an hour away from our city. I won't go into the details, but the mission work has fallen into disgrace because of the infidelities of the man who is still functioning as pastor. These families were greatly hurt by this man and his wife; and in the last few weeks, have in some way been behind some very vicious anonymous emails which have hurt these families of our work as well as the ministry of other churches here in Spain. In the last three months, our mother church in Leganés has also been under attack by someone in the church who is sending anonymous text messages slandering and gossiping about pastor Harry and his family. And to make matters worse, several weeks ago two young missionaries confessed to illicit sexual relationships here in Spain. Our churches are certainly under an all-out frontal attack by Satan's forces.

**THE BETTER** - 1 Peter 3:17 - *For it is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.* Proverbs 16:8 - *Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right.* These verses are so true and are being proven in our churches at this difficult stage in the battle. Therese and I feel that with the purpose of a coming revival, the Lord is beginning to purge his churches here in Spain. Because of these attacks by Satan's minions, we are seeing God open the eyes of sinners to Satan's evil, deceitful deeds. Folks are getting right with the Lord, and are truly drawing close to each other in Christ-like love and fellowship. Marriages are being saved and strengthened. Young people are dedicating themselves to the Lord. Pastors and leaders are realizing the need to humble themselves and be vigilant of Satan's fiery darts in their own personal lives and relationships. *And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.* Romans 8:28. The battle is not yet over... maybe we have just begun to fight! Nevertheless, more than ever, we warriors here in Spain need your prayers and faithful financial support!

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