

NEWS —BY YOU!

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Santander, SPAIN:

Music Explosion!

Three children reach
three thousand daily!



We started in the same boat as alot of other small pioneer teams earlier this year. Set free from our former responsibilities in the "Chain", we were able to devote all of our time to our two greater responsibilities —Mark 16:15 and the care of our children!

We were so thankful to be reunited full-time with the children after seeing them only on the weekends for the past year-and-a-half. So we ventured out to North Spain—four adults and five children, landing here in Santander, absolutely penniless and nearly 300 dollars in debt!

Our first days here were hard ones, in terms of survival, living day-to-day and sometimes even meal to meal, just scraping by. Our high room-and-board fees made it even more difficult to try and save any money to be able to move into an apartment or house.

In our first two weeks of searching for available apartments, although we visited every real estate office, scanned every local paper and spent hours walking the streets in search, we found not

"Harper Davidson & Co." Harper-11, Nathanael-7 & India-5.—Photo by Ben Davidson.

even one lead or possibility! Santander being a popular summer resort area, it seemed that every available house had been reserved for the coming vacationers.

It simply had to be an outright, God-given miracle!—And it was! During our third week here, we moved from our hostel into a beautiful apartment! TYJ! The Lord provided the needed deposit fees (nearly 500 dollars!) through the mail ministry from some dear friends in England, on the very day we were to sign the contract! PTL!

Well, this is just the beginning of the story that we really wanted to share with you—about our children!—Because we still hear different brethren talking about the difficulties involved in raising children—the extra expenses, the extra time,

and now particularly with FF'ing, it seems even fewer single people in the Family (at least from our experience) have the burden to help in the care and training of children.

Until one day we decided to take three of our kids into the streets with their guitars and their three Spanish songs, to see what would happen. And BOOM!—The Lord dropped such a bomb that it's still exploding!—Not only to the thousands of people who listen to the children on the streets, but now even millions across North Spain via television, radio and newspaper articles!

In the past month, our small three-man (or should we say child) troupe of Harper-11, Nathanael-7 and India-5 have performed and done interviews on two television programmes,

(left) Nathanael sings with Harper on guitar. (right) 5-year-old India on vocals & Nathanael on bongos. Photos by Ben Davidson.



two radio shows and in two newspapers, with possibilities of national television coverage and the recording of a 45 record this fall!

Their repertoire of Spanish songs has grown from 3 to 25, and their street singing is now electric with the help of their portable equipment, not to mention the incredible financial help to the Family here! The songs and testimonies are reaching between a thousand and 3,000 people daily!

We pray this testimony and ministry of the kids will continue to grow and become an even greater

witness to the people here, as they become one with the native children in the local schools this fall.

What freedom and liberty the recent Family Care and MO missives on childcare have meant to the children this year!— Completely breaking all the old bondages to let them burn freer than ever! Wow! And we adults feel like we're missionaries again! Hallelujah! Much love to our Family and especially children everywhere

—The Davidson Family;

John, Harper, Nathanael, India, and Ben & Ruth.

Elixir of Love Cures Gambling!

Dearest MO,

Today I was reading over "Lady Luck", and it's been a real help to me. At the moment I have a fish who is an excessive gambler. This is the second time I've had a fish like this. The first time was in Ghana. He was G., a 37-year-old bachelor from Lebanon.

We met G. through a friend who told us about his heavy gambling and how he wanted to stop. Our friend introduced us to him in hopes that our Family could help him, which—Praise God!—we did!

The first three times I saw him was at the Casino, and each time he would stop gambling to take us to the Casino's restaurant. While eating we would really witness to him and he'd receive it well.—Even to

the point of defending us in front of the Casino's manager, his friend, who proudly professes that he does not believe in God.

One day I went to see him and witnessed my heart out from 3:00 in the afternoon until 6:00 the next morning. He really fell for me, and I started to spend a lot of time with him. He told me about his life.

His mother and sister had been killed in a car accident. Then his father died, and two years ago one of his brothers in Lebanon was kidnapped and murdered by terrorists. So he had gotten to the point where, for him, love didn't exist.

I thank God for His love and encouragement during my time with G., as it was God's mercy and grace that helped me to continually give and give to him the love he so sorely needed. The biggest lesson I learned was just to be an encouragement to him, as so many people were already condemning him for his gambling. He was so nervous that he carried a gun at all times and

even slept with it under his pillow!

The more I continued to pour out the elixir of God's Love, the more I saw his life changing. He began sleeping better, especially when I stayed the night, and eating regularly and gambling less and less until finally he stopped completely! It was a real testimony to the whole city, as he was very well known! One time while out hitchhiking, I got a ride with someone I didn't even know who when he found out we were the Family of Love, immediately asked, "How is G.?" Everyone was talking about us!

G. helped us regularly with donations and it was such a blessing to have his help in getting scarce items

such as soap, cheese and wine. On my birthday he threw a party in the Casino restaurant and Simon Black sang songs and it was a real testimony to all! Hallelujah! Watching G. stop gambling was like seeing a drug addict kick the habit!

Isn't Love wonderful!—It gave G. a new life! It works! Hallelujah for FF'ing! It was one of the heaviest FF'ing experiences I've had and taught me so much about the Lord's love and patience! I am still writing to him and praying for him! Love changed his life forever! I hope this testimony encourages other sisters who have fish with similar afflictions! Just try the elixir of love!—It never fails! PTL!

—Praise Pencil; Ivory Coast, W. Africa.

Homosexual Healed!

Dear Dad & Maria,

Thanks so much for your tremendous Letters! They are such an inspiration to me! Even in prison, which is where I'm at now, your Letters have helped me keep going for God and fight the good fight of faith.

I wanted to tell you of a great victory that the Lord has given me through the help of your Letters and the "Family News". I'm referring especially to the one with the plea from a homosexual. (See FN Vol. 4, No. 10.) That helped me so much.

You see, I was a homosexual too. I had never made love to a girl in all my life until just before the RNR, and that was only once. Since then I've never made love successfully to a sister.

I was a homo and I knew it and hated myself for it. I knew I was spiritually sick and had really prayed many times for deliverance, but I guess I didn't have the faith for it. I never did have any experiences with brothers in the Family, although I did get masturbated by guys outside the Family.—This always left me under great condemnation.

I was too ashamed to tell anyone, apart from one or two people and only when I was drunk. It was like a demonic attack that would come at times and I'd get under great condemnation, do badly litnessing and witnessing, etc. But other times it would go and I'd feel better. When I'd masturbate and think about guys, I'd always pray for forgiveness and try to forget it. God's

mercy was great, for I surely lusted after many boys I saw on the street.

Thank God deliverance came! In prison one day we received some "Family News" editions and MO Letters. One of the first things I read was the plea from the homosexual and your quote at the end, Dad. God bless you for it! I immediately received Mk. 9:29: "This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting."

I was inspired to start a three-day fast right then. Later on I confessed to J., my cellmate and also in the Family, that I was a homosexual and told him that was why I was fasting. On the last day of the fast, J. fasted with me and we prayed together for my deliverance, claiming Mt. 18:18-20, and the Lord delivered me! Hallelujah! I studied the Letter "Exorcism" too, and the scriptures you listed

were a real encouragement!

I knew the Lord was going to do it, as I was obeying His Word. I was hearing from God through your Letters and He gave me the solution I needed.

Now when I masturbate, I think of girls and can reach an orgasm. It feels so good and better and cleaner and different than before. I also feel sure that when I get out of prison that the Lord will supply me with some sisters to help me overcome my sex hang-ups and become a real sex revolutionist for Jesus! PTL!

Dad, I love you so much and am eternally thankful for your fatherly counsel! I feel closer to you now than ever before and can now truly live the Letters, being totally freed from the bondage of the Devil, with yours and the Lord's help! May God bless you and your faithful scribe! Love, your servant in the Lord, P.

More Sightreading Tips!

by BERAJA

I write these tips especially to help those children, who though very bright, need a lot of variety and very interesting material presented to them, in order to be able to catch their full interest. It doesn't cost much, as you can make most of it yourself.

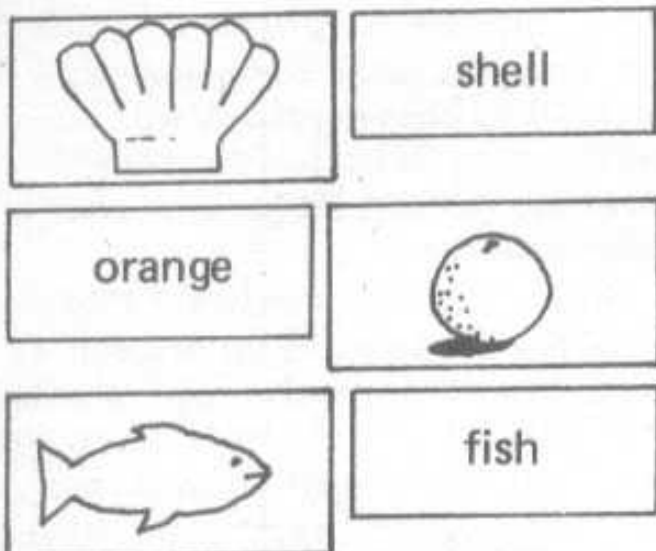
Each child is different and must be taught differently. Rachel said that perhaps the way the other children were learning was not necessarily what her little girl Didi, age 3, was interested in and that maybe she needed something else. How true

this proved to be!

I started her with the MO Lion Readers when she was 3 years, 1 month old. In the beginning, these books didn't turn her key at all. So I switched to the Ladybird series. She liked it a bit better, but still she didn't seem to be progressing quickly enough. She would take so long to learn the simplest words. This made me really get desperate for a better method for her.

PICTURES & MATCHING WORDS

I began putting many pictures with accompanying words on the wall in her room and by her bed, in-



cluding the "Baby's Basic Words". Then one day I gave her five plasticised pictures and five corresponding plastic-covered words. I lined up the pictures and put the corresponding word cards under each picture while reading each one of the words to her. Then I mixed them up and asked her to try matching them by herself. She learned the five new words in two days!—Something she had never done before!

Then I put pictures and matching words on the wall. A few days later I took the pictures and words off the wall, mixed them up and asked her to match them. She enjoyed this very much and learned many words this way. All during this time (and I still do), I continued to read the MO Lion Readers with her, introducing new words and hanging them on and around her bed. I also continued reading the Ladybird readers.

There were always at least 30 new words and pictures taped to the wall of the bedroom and around her bed. We review them every day before naptime and before bed at night. As soon as she knows one, I take it off and tape up another.

WORD NOTEBOOK

I also began to write all the miscellaneous words in a small spiral notebook. I covered the covers of the notebook with flowery contact paper which she really likes. I have found these notebooks to be less bulky than individual flash cards and very convenient for travelling. I am even going to start using smaller notepads, as she doesn't need her words written very big.

PAPER DOLLS

Didi had some paper dolls with paper clothes that fit on. I taped the dolls and their clothes to the closet and wrote the names under each article of clothing. Didi and the other children really liked this.

WORD GAMES

I also found some board games that are inexpensive and useful for sightreading projects. There is one game called "Animal Loto" that is made up of small cardboard pictures of many different animals, one animal per card. I wrote the name of each animal under the respective picture and posted them in the bedroom.

A project I just finished working on is called "The Four Seasons". I used a game the children had received as a gift. It consists of four large cardboard pictures, each one representing a different season of the year. There are also smaller cards that fit like a jigsaw puzzle onto the larger picture. Each one of these illustrates something typical of the season, such as an animal that comes out in that season, something to wear, a flower that thrives in that season, etc. I wrote the word for each of the small



pictures and placed it beside them, all taped on the wall.

The first month that Didi started these new methods she learned 54 new words. The next month she learned 176! Then 136! TYJ! I discovered the more I began putting words and pictures all around the room, the faster the children learned. Just to be sure, I took the picture away after awhile to test them with only the word, and then we review it periodically.

One big mistake I made with Didi at the beginning was to go too slow with her, waiting until she knew every word, instead of going ahead and introducing new words every day and continuing to review the newest words more often than the old. It's so much "all by faith" as we don't always see the results right away. For the last two months, I

have been trying to teach her the words "being", "others" and "now" from the MO Lion Readers, but these words don't seem to interest her. In the meantime, she has learned 312 other new ones! If I had waited for her to learn those three words before introducing others, she wouldn't have made much progress.

I also let her choose which words she wants to learn next. —One day Didi read six of the new words that were posted around her bed. I took them off and said, "Didi, go around the room and pick out six new things that you would like to learn to read." She quickly and excitedly chose the things, and we taped the words on the headboard of her bed. God bless you as you inspire your little ones to learn to read!

Love, Beraja; Italy.

LETTER FUN!

1. What letter is a bird? 2. What letter is a question? 3. What letter gathers honey? 4. What letter is a part of your face? 5. What letter is a drink?

ANSWERS: 1. J-Jay. 2. Y-Why. 3. B-Bee. 4. I-Eye. 5. T-Tea.

UNSCRAMBLE THE WORD!

There are over 16 different words you can find in the word

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a now

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