

Missionary Interest

EUROPEAN MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP

Paulo Carvalho and his wife Patrícia serve in a church plant in Coimbra, in the central region of Portugal.

Paulo is part of the third generation of evangelical Christians in his family, a rare blessing in Catholic Portugal. Exposed to faithful gospel presentations since childhood, he came to a personal realisation of his need for Christ as a teenager. It was in his university years, as a result of knowing God better through His Word, with a CU staff worker, that he saw his faith blossoming in a way he didn't witness before. After finishing his Biology degree in Coimbra, he did one year of Theology at the 'Portuguese Bible Institute'. Later, he would go and live in London, where he did the Cornhill Training Course (Proclamation Trust) in London and was a Ministry Trainee at Grace Church Greenwich.

Patrícia was born into a nominal (and broken) Catholic family in Brazil. She sought answers about God and life from the nuns in her school. By God's grace, she was led to a gospel Baptist church

where she professed faith, was baptised and began serving.

Now, they are married and living in Coimbra, the university city par excellence in Portugal. They are members of 'Igreja Evangélica em Eiras' (Evangelical Church in Eiras) and are part of a church planting project, where Paulo is one of the leaders. The church plant, known as the 'Comunidade da Graça' (Grace Community), seeks to reach the unreached in southern Coimbra, an area of 20,000 people, having new neighbourhoods with a blend of old people, young families and university students, and yet no faithful gospel presence. Coimbra needs a vision for healthy churches that plant churches, and 'Igreja Evangélica em Eiras' and 'Comunidade da Graça' want to be part of that.

Patrícia is working full-time as a nurse, though she helps with Sunday school at 'Eiras' and they both lead a Youth Bible study group. Please pray for further information contact: www.europeanmission.org



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Teach those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ Acts 28:31

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I have chosen you out of the world.

John 15:19

Here is distinguishing grace and discriminating regard; for some are made the special objects of divine affection. Do not be afraid to dwell upon this high doctrine of election. When your mind is most heavy and depressed, you will find it to be a bottle of richest cordial. Those who doubt the doctrines of grace, or who cast them into the shade, miss the richest clusters of Eshcol; they lose the wines on the lees well refined, the fat things full of marrow. There is no balm in Gilead comparable to it. If the honey in Jonathan's wood when but touched enlightened the eyes, this is honey which will enlighten your heart to love and learn the mysteries of the kingdom of God. Eat, and fear not a surfeit; live upon this choice dainty, and fear not that it will be too delicate a diet. Meat from the King's table will hurt none of His courtiers. Desire to have your mind enlarged, that you

may comprehend more and more the eternal, everlasting, discriminating love of God. When you have mounted as high as election, tarry on its sister mount, the covenant of grace. Covenant engagements are the munitions of stupendous rock behind which we lie entrenched; covenant engagements with the surety, Christ Jesus, are the quiet resting-places of trembling spirits.

"His oath, His covenant, His blood, support me in the raging flood; When every earthly prop gives way, This still is all my strength and stay."

If Jesus undertook to bring me to glory, and if the Father promised that He would give me to the Son to be a part of the infinite reward of the travail of His soul; then, my soul, till God Himself shall be unfaithful, till Jesus shall cease to be the truth, thou art safe. When David danced before the ark, he told Michal that election made him do so. Come, my soul, exult before the God of grace and leap for joy of heart.

C H Charles H. Spurgeon

Sermon Notes

Future Dates to Remember

October 30th	Church members meeting 7pm
October 31st	Passion for Life 9:30am-10:30am
October 2-4th	EMF Mission
November 4th	Passion for Life zoom prayer meeting 1pm
November 22nd	VISIT DAY at LONDON SEMINARY

This Month's Speakers

November 3rd	Family worship and God willing Paulo & Patricia from Portugal will be preaching and speaking about the ministry. After the service, we will have fellowship lunch on bring and share basis. A crèche is also available for toddlers during the second part of the service. NEW CHURCH MEMEBERS CLASS 2pm. Sunday evening service will be at 5:45pm and Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching.
November 10th	God willing Paulo and Patricia Carvalho from Portugal will be speaking about the ministry will be preaching and leading the service. The service will be followed by the Lord's Supper. NEW CHURCH MEMEBERS CLASS 2pm. Sunday evening service will be at 5:45pm and Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching.
November 17th	God willing Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching and leading the service. Ambassador for Christ Baptism class 2pm Sunday evening service will be at 5:45pm and Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching.
November 24th	God willing Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching and leading the service. Sunday evening service will be at 5:45pm and Pastor Robin Asgher will be preaching.

Weekly Meetings

Sundays	Morning Service Evening Service <i>We thank God that He is a faithful God. We do not take up an offering during the service. Our offering box is located at the back of the church.</i>	11am 5:30pm
Tuesday	Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at the Local Detention Centre	9am - 5pm
Wednesday	Toddler Group Morning Prayer Meeting Evening Prayer Meeting	9am-11am 10am 7:00pm (Via Zoom)
Thursday	Elders & Deacons Prayer Meeting	5:30pm
Friday	Kids Club (5-8 years old) Kids Club (10-16 years old)	4:00pm-5:30pm 6:00pm-8:00pm

If you are interested in any of these meetings or would like further information, please contact Pastor **Robin Asgher 020 8754 1184**

Points for Prayer

We believe that the Scriptures call on churches as well as individual believers to pray fervently, reverently, humbly, sincerely, regularly and with faith (Luke 21 v 36 Watch therefore and pray always: James 5 v 16 The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much).

Please pray for Stephen's they are attending Hendon Baptist Church which is near to their new home.

Please pray for as Cathrine, Job and Hannah seeking church membership.

Please pray for church members meeting on Wed 30th Oct.

Please pray as good number of children attending Friday kids club, Toddler group and Sunday school.

Please pray for the detention centre ministry many men attending, listening attentively, and receiving God word. Some of them who have been released are

attending Wednesday night Bible study via zoom.

Thank you for your prayers for the school assembly and as a result we have seen new children coming to the youth activities.

Please pray for Muno and Hannah are looking for jobs.

Now pray this affirmation to the Lord:

We are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. For we walk by faith, not by sight. We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. (2 Corinthians 5:6-8)

As you make your requests known to the Lord, include:

- Health and strength to serve Him
- His will to be done in your life
- Whatever else is on your heart

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Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.

Praise God that He is our perfect example:

Blessed are You, Lord God of Israel, our Father, forever and ever. Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, And You are exalted as head over all.
(1 Chronicles 29:10-11)