



Dear Friends and Prayer Partners,

Greetings from Barcelona Spain. Our desire is to share the work that God is doing amongst us, but above all, to present Christ as "the best", "the most excellent" than any system, person or principle of religious faith. The author of Hebrews 1: 2 says: *"In these last days he has spoken to us through his son Jesus Christ."*

During 2018 we faced as a family many challenges, along with many trials that only invited us to remain silent in His presence and trust in our **Great High Priest of our souls**. We have learned as a family in these last 18 years in Europe that the call of God is nothing other than an act of obedience to the voice of His Spirit, **because Christ is our greatest example of sacrifice**.

God willing, on January 1, 2019, we officially embark on a new missionary challenge as a family. Exactly one year ago, our Executive Director, Don Lough Jr and the Vice President Kris Stout from WOL International, challenged us to consider leading the Regional Office of South America, composed of 9 Spanish-speaking countries. The ministry there is a tremendous work of evangelism and discipleship of which we are visible fruits as a family. **The main objective is to continue working for a generation that reaches the nations with the gospel and makes disciples.**



Don Lough Jr and Kris Stout



Don Lough and I in the Ryrie Library



Alex Konya our Regional Director in Barcelona

After praying and resisting with tears, we understood through the Spirit of God that He was opening a great door for South America, which we consider an undeserved privilege.



Pablo and Allison Ripoll



Radziwiluk and Custodio Families



Marcelo and Nelly Gajardo

THE TRANSITION FROM SPAIN TO SOUTH AMERICA

- On January 1, 2019, I will become the **Regional Director** for Spanish speaking South America.
- We will be in Spain working with the **new leadership** until the end of June.
- From July to September we will **spend 3 months in the USA**, Visiting churches and friends.
- **We will arrive to Argentina**, if God allows it, at the end of September.

THE NEW LEADERSHIP IN SPAIN.

For me it is an honor to present these consecrated friends and families, who have accompanied us in this missionary adventure ... they have made us better servants of God.

Our brother Pablo Ripoll will become the National Coordinator of the Ministry of WOL Spain, seconded by a "Core Team", Maicon Custodio (*Local Church Ministries*), Juan Marcos Radziwiluk (*Educational Projects*) and Marcelo Gajardo (*VP WOL Spain*). These brothers are a tremendous blessing to the Spanish people, to their churches and honor the call for which God has them here. WE WILL MISS EACH ONE OF THEM.

The author to the Hebrews in 6.1 says: *let us advance towards maturity*. We hope and we wish



that this Christmas finds us all with the commitment to grow more and more in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank you for being close to our family with your prayers and financial support, please continue to pray as we make this transition so that God protects the hearts of our children and prepares the hearts of the people we will serve.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW 2019!

Sergio and Nancy Martinez