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> Basque Farmhouse Restoration "Aierdi" Retreat Center "In the foothills of Mount Aitzgorri"

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Dear Pastor & Friends,

"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." (Ecclesiastes 11:1)

Our church here in Spain sponsors a Canadian missionary, Terry Sharp, in Las Palmas, Canary Islands.

We were able to have a time of fellowship with him in a brief visit during May.



A highlight in April for us was to baptize Begoña Lasa and Juan Bautista as new members of the church. In June, Andy came with his church and baptized 4. We had about 100 people present and the church was full. We were able to put to good use a small addition we bought to our auditorium.

Work continues on at the Aierdi Retreat Center as different groups come to offer their help. A much needed building is a warehouse to store all of the tools and materials that accumulate over the years. At the moment it is all in a room

designated for recreation. We prepared a foundation for the building and here is a group pouring the concrete.

They were actually able to pour 2/3 of the floor.Lord willing, a team will come in fall to put up the two story block building.

This month we lost a family of five over disagreements with the church. At times it seems you win some, lose some. But there is a good spirit in the church.

Thank you one and all again for your prayers and support. God has been so good. Thank you for letting us be your representatives in Spain.

Sincerely in Christ,

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