

## Derek and Jane French

Location: **Bilbao, SPAIN**

Mission: **Student ministry**



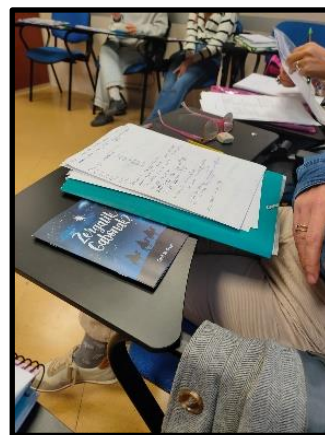
**GLOBAL DISCIPLES**  
*Go Deep Go Wide*  
**Dec 24/Jan 25**

Give thanks to God for all the shoeboxes that were collected for Operation Christmas Child. Pray as they are distributed to Romania, Ukraine, Equatorial Guinea and Namibia.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December the Bilbao International Church has their annual Carols by Candlelight service. This is a time to reflect on why we celebrate Christmas and an opportunity to present the Gospel clearly to those who come along. It brings in a lot of new people, pray that God would open their hearts and bring them to salvation.

Pray for the distribution of the “Why Christmas?” booklets that are available in Spanish, Basque and English. Many people are more open to the message of the gospel around the Christmas season, pray that through the distribution of these tracts in the Basque Country that God would move in the hearts of the Basque people. Pray that it would be an encouragement also to those who share the booklets and give them the courage to hand them out to those they know.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December is the annual GBG conference (this a conference for those who have graduated from university, professionals and people who support GBU). The theme for this year is “Christians in work and their relationships”. Pablo Martinez is leading the bible expository sessions with the topic of “Greatness and Misery of Human Relationships.” He is a psychiatrist, the honorary president of GBU and has taught Pastoral Psychology at various seminaries and colleges, so his knowledge, wisdom and experience is invaluable for this subject. Pray that God would use him to challenge and encourage those who attend. There will also be 3 topical sessions: “Take care of yourself”, “Loneliness” and “A relational church”. Pray for those leading these sessions as they prepare and that these topics will be an encouragement to those attending.



### Prayer points:

- The Carols by Candlelight Service at BIC, that many would come along and the gospel would be clearly presented.
- For the distribution and impact of the “Why Christmas?” booklets
- The GBG conference, that those who attend would be challenged and encouraged
- The Operation Christmas Child project, that through this many kids would experience and know the love of God.