

Barcelona & Andorra Chaplains' Annual Report May 2021

Dear Friends, my last Annual Report was only in October and since I have sent out quite a number of emails during these months I have struggled to know what to say here. What new is there to tell about **St George's Barcelona and Andorra**? **This report is principally about practical things that have been happening here in Barcelona but the church is really about people .. people who love Jesus and seek to make him Lord of every part of their life – whether in Barcelona, Andorra, Sitges ... and wherever!**

In 2022 we will be celebrating 50 years of this building and over 150 years of our church here in Barcelona. There is a lot to give thanks for. SG2022 – St George's 2022 – is the name we are going to give for a whole bunch of special events, spiritual and cultural, that I hope we will have in 2022. Meanwhile we are restoring our property through increasing space for being outside at the front entrance, refreshing aspects of our building, beautifying our garden and generally sprucing the place up! Some pictures to enjoy:

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| Wall: Jesus' <i>I am</i> Sayings  | I am the Good Shepherd  | The Way, the Truth  | Praise God for all the families involved in this project ... and for the focus on the 7 tremendous 'I am' sayings of Jesus |
| Garden Swing  | Garden Beautified  | Beauty & Colour  | Pruning and flowers where there have been none in the last 7 years; fresh plants and flowers – a beautiful garden to be kept and loved. |
| Front Entrance  | In Progress!  | Restoration  | A long-term member suggested we call this the St George's Restoration Fund – to give space to enjoy each other safely. |
| Balcony Windows  | Light & Spaciousness  | From Below  | To make it easier to use the balcony, child safe, soundproofed and attractive – thanks to someone who gave this as a gift to the church |
| Balcony Prayer Space  | To sit & kneel  | Prayer in the Garden  | <i>A House of Prayer for All Nations</i> – a balcony room and a garden to enable our property to be a place of quiet and reflection for all. |
| Remember Covid!  | Social Distancing  | X Marks the Spot  | We give thanks to God that there have been no known cases of Covid as a result of activities here – but keep alert! |

On top of this we have had: many Zoom meetings, services on YouTube, a fresh environmental focus and we have enjoyed many new people. **Let us give God thanks. This is his church – we are simply to love it!**

Revds Deborah and John Chapman