



Spain

Spain's history makes the country unique, from its Roman colonization to the unification of Spain's warring tribes, and the Counter-Reformation to the dictatorship of Francisco Franco. Spain is a collectivist society but is diverse in its eight languages and 17 autonomous communities. Spain's national unity is seen in its love for soccer, its cultural Catholicism, and its use of the Euro. Spain is a traditional religious country in search for its new identity as a pluralistic, multicultural, and ethnically diverse nation. It is a country on the forefront of moral relativism and sexual perversion as well as being an aging nation facing a severe economic crisis. All these factors add up to Spain's desperate need of spiritual revival.

NEEDS

The country as a whole is suffering from the economic crisis. Job creation is a critical need, along with English-language skills to help Spaniards improve their job situations.

However, Spain's greatest need is the gospel—lived and preached! Spain is the least-evangelized of all Spanish-speaking nations worldwide.

Spain needs creative, innovative, energetic, and visionary career church-planters. Workers are needed to train church leadership, disciple, provide biblical counseling, and instill confidence in the sufficiency of Scripture.

Another need is theological trainers willing to work alongside national workers, pastors, and teachers to prepare the next generation of servants.

HOW YOU CAN SERVE

In addition to the needs listed at left for full-time missionaries, the following offers more ways to serve:

Fervent intentional, consistent prayer that expects God to work. Remain in contact with missionaries in intentional ways. For some, it means taking a short-term mission trip.

Get to know the country, its history, its identity, and its specific needs. (A helpful and entertaining resource for obtaining some of Spain's religious history can be gleaned from a reading of *My Escape from the Auto de Fe At Valladolid*.

College-aged missionary interns willing to serve for a summer (at least a month in the summer) and pray about serving in Spain.



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