

# NEWSLETTER CEC-MASVIDAL

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## News

### Missionary trip to Morocco:

Last March, our missionary made an exploratory trip to the Moroccan city of Fez. There he was received by an entity that has its headquarters in the Spanish city of Granada and is made up of Latin American workers. For more than thirty years, this organization has dedicated its missionary ministry to the Arab world and is located in several North African countries.

Our expedition was so enriching that it allowed us to open a great way for the CEC-Masvidal to start a stable missionary field in Morocco. This has led to the signing of a global collaboration agreement between this entity and the CEC-Masvidal, and a cooperation agreement for several projects in Morocco.

We will send you in a personal email the most extensive information about the trip, the agreements and the work projects that we are already starting. For the safety of the missionaries who are in the work camps, we cannot give you more information publicly. We kindly ask you to read the content of the email that we announce to you now.

### Day of Saint George - Book Fair:



On April 23th, CEC-Masvidal put a book stand in Barcelona's Sant Joan street, at number 90. Throughout the day there was dissemination of both the devotional 'El Cenacle' and the books of the collection 'Classics of the Reformation'.

### Classics of the Reformation:

We already have available the second volume of the collection dedicated to the authors of the Reformation: 'Commentary on the 1st Epistle of Paul to Timothy', by John Calvin. Through a careful theological and pastoral analysis of the Pauline letter, Calvin raises the fidelity and rectitude of the ministry exercised in the Church: an invitation to catharsis in the pastoral management of the current ecclesial communities.

#### Book details:

Title: Comentari 1a Epístola de Pau a Timoteu

Author: Joan Calví

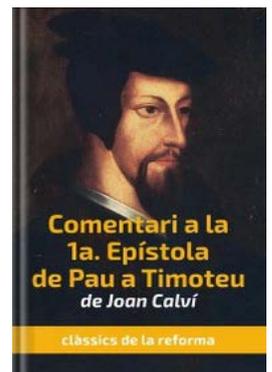
Translator: CEC-Masvidal

No. pages: 290

Size: 150x210 cm

Price: 15 €

Sale: [elcenacle.org](http://elcenacle.org)



### Visit from the USA and writing workshop:

Because of a visit by the heads of *The Upper Room* of the central United Methodist Church in Nashville to the CEC-Masvidal for a week, the director of Europe and the director of Latin America will make a presentation and a writing workshop to invite everyone to write meditations to be published in the Catalan edition and in the international edition of 'El Cenacle'.



The workshop will take place in the hall 'Pere Casaldàliga' of the Llibreria Claret (c / Roger de Llúria, 5 - Barcelona), next Saturday May 25 at 11:00h, and with a duration of 90 minutes. You are all invited! Access is free.

## HOLDING FAST

During a difficult time in my life I received an insight contained in the reading above from Jeremiah: "I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future'" (v. 11). I was unemployed, struggling with financial and marital problems, and experiencing great sadness and hopelessness....



What sustained me throughout and kept me from total collapse was remembering this promise which God will fulfill in God's time. And so, I determined to center my heart and thoughts on the fruit of the Spirit - love, peace, joy, patience, generosity, faithfulness, meekness, kindness, self-control - and continue to learn and gain spiritual maturity (see Gal. 5:22-23).

Faithful living is easy when everything is going smoothly and according to our wishes. But when we are tested and the reality is not to our liking or unsatisfying, our circumstances may cause our faith to falter. I know there will be challenges ahead. But I also know that God will help me as I hold fast to the promise that God's plan will be for my good.

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declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you  
and not to harm you, plans to give you  
hope and a future.”***

*Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)*

God of hope, help us accept the challenges in our lives as part of our spiritual discernment. Speak to us, and fill our hearts and minds with your truth.



*Monique Acevedo (Valle del Cauca, Colombia)  
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