

### Fiesta!

Spain is the land of festivals! In every city, town and village there is a fiesta of some kind which gets all the townsfolk out on the streets with their neighbors.

It's popular for Spaniards to have a coffee or drink with a friend at the local café almost daily. In fact, Spain has more cafés per square kilometer than anywhere in Europe; this is a great way to develop friendships over time.

Spaniards' love for spending time with friends and family around the table beckons an invitation to the Grand Fiesta, the banquet of the Lamb - where one day all will enjoy a time of real community and celebration!



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# **Spain**A Whirlwind of Change

## Spain Today

Spain is experiencing a whirlwind of change. Recent years of economic upheaval and increasing secularism have served to dull people to their tremendous need for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Traditionally known as a bastion for the Roman Catholic Church, many Spaniards have stopped going to church and no longer believe in God.

Though the Evangelical Church has experienced growth in recent decades (mainly due to immigration from South America), she is being challenged as never before to be relevant in society. It is not easy to work in Spain, but the need is tremendous. People need to see true faith.

There is a great need for missionaries who can creatively communicate an unchanging Gospel message while living in community with Spanish friends and neighbors. If you enjoy late nights, siestas, and spending time with people, you might be a prime candidate for sharing God's love in some very practical ways with people in Spain!

# **Immigrant Reality**

Spain maintains a very unique historical and cultural link to Islam. Most of the Iberian Peninsula fell under Islamic rule in 711, and some areas of southern Spain did not return under Catholic rule until 1492. After this timeframe, the Inquisition caused much suffering for Muslims, Jews and Protestants.

Today, immigrants from North Africa are changing the face of Spain and opening a door of opportunity for the Christian Church. Spain Team needs workers to help initiate mercy ministries with the growing immigrant population.

# A Vison for Church Planting Movements

## A Hope Filled Future

World Team has nearly 40 years of church planting experience in Spain. Currently, teams are focused on the regions of Madrid, Salamanca, Cáceres, Badajoz and Malaga. Workers are involved in evangelism, discipleship, sports ministries, teaching English, and developing leadership in the national church.

World Team Spain is committed to maintaining a national vision of church planting. We desire to work with others and create partnerships with other churches and organizations toward a shared goal of seeing church planting movements spreading out across Spain.

Our vision has several ministry priorities: mobilizing more workers committed to evangelism and church planting on teams, exploring ways to reach youth and do creative ministries leading to new communities of believers, and partnering with existing ministries to reach the growing immigrant population through mercy ministries.



#### Common Values

Our team is committed to establishing an environment that stimulates innovation while remaining faithful to our call to establish new communities of faith. Spain Team firmly believes in teamwork and investing in the lives of people who are willing to step out in faith to serve crossculturally.

Opportunities to reach out to Spaniards are numerous, and our desire is to empower each person to maximize the use of his/her God-given gifts to serve.

We are actively seeking like-minded servants to join us in forming authentic, God-seeking communities in Spain. Consider how God could use you on one of our multicultural teams!

## Ministry Overview

People	Spaniards
Language	Spanish (and Catalan, Euskera and Galician in some areas)
Location	Spain
Opportunities	Church planters; Creative evangelism
	English as a second language (in the context of church planting initiatives)
	Sports Ministry Workers
	Youth ministry workers focusing on training youth leaders
	Mercy ministry workers for growing immigrant community
	Administrative/computer skills such as graphics and web design
	Discipleship/Teachers for established ministry training school
	Networkers mobilizing others for missions and promoting partnership with organizations
	Teachers for an international Christian school

The Spain Team has a passion to work in multicultural teams to reach the Spanish people with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

