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Hello again and welcome to this where we'll month's GUV having a very English experience after this very American visit.

This month it was the 50th birthday of Richard Wallace, our beloved pastor! Not wanting to allow such an important occasion to pass by unnoticed, we organised a surprise birthday party. But how could we get him to come without suspecting? Simple, we got a family in the church to pretend that Jimmy Carter, the expresident of the USA wanted to meet him! This isn't as random as it sounds because this family owns a factory that manufacturers Spanish guitars and they have participated in charity fund-raisers with Jimmy Carter Obviously, Richard turned up with his best bib and tucker only to find that it was not what he was suspected. He was then presented with the most ridiculous birthday hat that I have seen



Check out the birthday hat!

while the band played happy birthday! I'm not sure if he was pleased or disappointed but we all had a good time.

We happened to be in Granada one day and we got a bit lost but, while we were looking for directions. Clau pointed to a store across the road and said, "Isn't that shop from your country?" I could scarce believe my eyes when I realised that it was, indeed, a Poundland! On investigating, it seemed that it wasn't just a cheap knockoff but the real deal with identical products to the British chain for the princely sum of €1.50, including Frazzles, Cadbury's Snowballs, chocolate. Teacakes. McCovs and several brands of tea and baked beans! When I got back home I looked online to see if there were any closer stores (having to go 250 miles to get a Double Decker is a bit excessive!) and, lo and behold, there was one 5 miles away in Leganes (a town to the south of Madrid). As I said on Facebook, my life is now complete!

Prayer Points

- For God's strength and protection for Richard and his family this year.
- That God would continue to lead the church and help it to impact the lives of more people.

I think I'm going to have some liquorice allsorts now! See you next month.

God bless, Sam 💚

