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Location: **Bilbao, SPAIN**

Mission: **Student ministry**



2nd-5th December: The 4th GBU Bioethics National Conference will take place in Madrid. This conference is geared towards graduates, professionals, and supporters of GBU (similar to CU's, under IFES umbrella). The conference aims to challenge, teach, and support Christian professionals as they seek to serve God in the workplace, specifically addressing issues in relation to bioethics. The theme of the conference this year is "For the life and care of creation". The speakers are John Wyatt who is the Emeritus Professor of Neonatal Paediatrics, Ethics & Perinatology at University College London. He is currently engaged in addressing new ethical, philosophical, and theological challenges caused by advances in medical science and technology.



The bible expository talks will be based on the theme of human dignity and led by Pablo Martinez and José Moreno Berrocal. There will also be several seminars addressing issues such as abortion, suicide, euthanasia, artificial intelligence, and genetic engineering. There are also break out groups for different professional fields of work such as Education, Medicine, Law, Business etc. These groups address issues specific to their field of work and how to live, work and act as a Christian in their respective fields.



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Conferences like this are so important for Christians in the workplace and gives them teaching, guidance and encouragement as they return to their places of employment.

Sunday 11th December: Bilbao International Church will have their annual **Christmas Carol Service**, to fit in with the series of special services during advent. This will be a family service with many church members taking part and it is also an opportunity to invite along friends and family. Afterwards there is a time for food and fellowship.

During December Bilbao International Church plan to have their **Christmas meal**, this is a special meal for those who are far from home and family during the Christmas season.



Conference speaker:
John Wyatt

Prayer Points

- For the GBU Bioethics National Conference, that it would be a time of encouragement, growth and fellowship.
- For the BIC Carol Service that many would attend and be challenged by the hope-filled message of Christmas.
- For the BIC meal, that those who are not able to be with family during Christmas will feel loved and supported by the church family.