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MAJORCA 2019 FESTIVAL SITE, BARCELO PONENT PLAYA HOTEL

"It is the best hotel and location we have had for the festival in Majorca." "To be able to choose a gorgeous sea view from your room is wonderful." "To have the beach just a few meters from your room is delightful." "The food it is plentiful, so varied and tasty with wine and everything included that you cannot ask for more." "The family oriented atmosphere at the spiritual retreat was very enjoyable."

These and many more similar comments from members who have attended at the site show that God guided me to find the Barcelo Ponent Playa Hotel at Cala Ferrera, Cala D'Or (Majorca).

My family and me want to let you all know we love you and appreciate you came to celebrate Christ with us in previous years and would like to see you again this year, along with those planning to attend for the first time. You can be sure you and your family will be most welcomed by my family and me and our Spanish brethren to celebrate God's Love and Grace in Christ with us this year in Majorca from **13th** to the **21st** of **October**. Being the arrival day the 13th and the departure the 21st of October after services and lunch. Of course you could choose to arrive earlier or depart later.

Like in previous years, the hotel offers an advantage to families with children. The first child 2 to 11 years old sharing room with his/her two parents or two adults will be free of charge. The second and more children 2 to 11 years old sharing a room with their parents will pay 50% of the regular package cost. This is another good reason to come to Majorca, the excellent value for money. So take advantage and book before the end of April to be sure you get a room.



On behalf of Grace Communion International in Spain (GCI) I reached a good agreement directly with the Spanish Barcelo Hotels, one of the larger worldwide Spanish hotel chains and its new manager has offered to our group an advantageous ALL INCLUSIVE package.

With God's help the three stars Hotel Barcelo Ponent Playa, www.barceloponentplaya.com at 1 Felanix Avenue; 07669 Cala Ferrera, Cala D'Or, at South East of Majorca Island (Majorca); Tel. 971 657 734 - 35, which is about 55 kilometres from Palma of Majorca Son Sant Joan International Airport, is going to be our 2019 festival site once again. It is a peaceful and wonderful site to worship, praise and pray to our Great God and Saviour, to study His Word and to have inspiring Christian fellowship and opportunities to appreciate His creation. We can also enjoy a lot of outdoors activities and sports on site and in the beautiful coves and enjoy the beauty of nature on Majorca Island.

With full sunshine and the picturesque and quiet Cala Ferrera in front of you, the Hotel Barcelo Ponent Playa offers you an unbeatable range of services where the pleasures of relaxing or playing sports in the open-air or at the beach are unending. So **it is a very special place for families with youngsters and children**, and of course for adults, as it is one of the quieted area of the Island, to enjoy our festival in full. It has two outdoor swimming pools (one designated to children) and they are the focus of activity every day, with guests soaking up the sun's rays beside the pool or relaxing at the beach snack bars. The hotel elevator takes you almost directly to the beach. It has an indoor swimming pool, a Turkish bath, a sauna, massage service, a tennis court, a minigolf course, a children's entertainment room and a mini club for them and animation programme during the day and the evenings. You can enjoy every kind of beverage at its two lobby bars and having a snack at its two snack bars, including one at the hotel beach terrace. It has a TV room, laundry service, easy access for guests in wheelchairs, rent a car service, prepaid Internet access, multilingual staff, 24-hour front desk, air-conditioned public areas, elevators/lift and supervised child care/activities are some of the services it offers to its clients. This hotel features 430 modern guestrooms, all of which include TV, radio, direct-dial telephones, security safe, balcony, air conditioning and full bathroom with handheld shower. All rooms are wheelchair accessible.

The 2019 Festival ALL INCLUSIVE hotel package will start with the Sunday, **October 13 dinner** and will end with the Monday, **October 21 lunch**. Of course, if you wish to do so and taking advantage of the good group rates given to us you can come earlier or stay until October 27 when the hotel will close. In the booking form you will find information about the cost of those extra days either side of the package. I think our guests coming from Ireland or any other European countries will get cheaper flights if they book in advance through www.EasyJet.com or any other low cost airlines flying to Palma of Majorca. My advice for you to get a good flight ticket deal would be to book your flight as earlier as possible.

You can transfer to and from the airport to hotel by taxi but it would be more expensive, so I recommend you to book your shared shuttle transfers ahead of time on Internet at <https://www.hoppa.com/en/resorthoppa> where they are offering the transfer and return at a cost of around € 17.00 per person. You could book your transfer at <http://mallorca.shuttlespaintransfers.com/meTrans/home?lang=en> or <http://www.easyjet.com/EN/Planning/Travel/ats.html> (services) too but their fares are more expensive.

Please, find below a full information package about the site which I think you will find helpful. In it I try to answer every possible question you might have. Read though the material, fill in the FESTIVAL BOOKING FORM below and send it back to me by regular mail to the following address: Comuni3n Internacional de la Gracia; At. Pedro Rufi3n Mesa; C/. Real, 26; 28610 Villamanta, (MADRID); SPAIN or as an attached PDF E-mail message at your convenience but it must reach to me before **April 30th** along with the total payment or the 20% of the total booking cost for us to be able to keep the group package deal. Of course, you could book as late as August the 31 but **please note that reservations made after April 30th, (should rooms available then), will cost an additional 10% that you will need to add up to your balance if you make a late booking.**

As every year, we will hold a talent family show, a family dance and a family beach activity if there are enough children. Seeing the variety of excursions offered at the same hotel and at good price I have decided we **will not** have a organized **group excursion** this year so you can be free to try different options on the free day (without services), **Thursday 17th of October.**

Church members in Spain and my family and I look forward with anticipation to a worshipful, spiritually enriching, inspiring, and enjoyable and cultural spiritual retreat with you all this year. If you have any questions please feel free to e-mail me at idadespana@yahoo.es or contact me:

Pedro Rufian, festival coordinator, at Tel. (34) 918 136 705 or Mobil 34 626 468 629.

Love from my family and me. May God continue blessing you all richly. At your service with much love in Christ,

Pedro Rufi3n
2019 Majorca Festival coordinator





2019 MAJORCA FESTIVAL SITE INFORMATION

Majorca is the largest of the Balearic Islands, situated in the Mediterranean Sea about 200 kilometres east of the mainland Spanish city of Valencia. Its geography, sea, landscape and climate are pleasing and the tradition of hospitality is the norm for its inhabitants. Majorca Island is 3.640 square kilometres. Its length crossing East-West is 99 kilometres and North-South 76. It offers an incomparable opportunity for relaxation. Everything desirable is there, beautiful landscape, abundant forests, fertile plateaus, and a magnificent coast full of small and large sandy beaches of clear and warm waters.

Majorca offers many opportunities for lots of excursions. In its capital, Palma de Majorca, the old and new meet. On a beautiful bay 25 kilometres wide and 20 in length it is a magnificent seaport and boulevard. Monuments like the gothic cathedral, the Almudaina Palace (old Arabs kings residence), La Lonja, the Sea Consulate, church buildings and convents of great artistic interest. Palaces and old noblemen's houses with typical courtyards are some of its attractions. A visit to the huge Drach caves, called the underground Alhambra, with the largest European underground lake, at Porto Cristo is a favourite excursion that never disappoints. Valldemossa with its view of the Real Cartuja and its other buildings offers the pure enchantment of the

Balearic landscapes. The very beautiful and impressive rocky landscape of the Pareys torrent is another of the typical excursions. Arta is one picturesque village situated at the foot of a mountain with megalithic remains. The Arta caves 9 kilometres from the village, with more than 400 meters of extension are really spectacular. So you can see there are plenty of sights to visit.

WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS, ACTIVITIES AND RELAXATION

Worship celebrations all days in English with simultaneous translation into Spanish provided and most of our formal activities will take place at the Hotel Barcelo Ponent Playa at Cala Ferrera.

We will have a worship meeting every day from **Oct. 14 to Oct. 21 from 10:30am. to 12:30 noon, (NOT on Oct. 17 that will be a free day for your to organize your outings with your family and friends).** As in previous years the GCI in Spain and I thank you in advance for bringing your festival offerings for the services on October 14 and October 21, that mean so much for God's work the GCI is doing in Spain. We will hold a prayer, praise, thanksgiving and personal testimony service. Prepare your testimony and take this opportunity to share it. We will have a talent show and a family dance, and a family activity at the beach given there are enough children. Leaving most of the afternoons and evenings free to experience Christian fellowship and for families to enjoy the beach and the other activities. At the Talent Show, brethren have the opportunity to share their musical, humorous, comical abilities with everyone. Be ready for it! At our first meeting, we will give a Festival Schedule to each attendee.

TYPE OF ROOMS OFFERED

Barcelo Ponent Playa Hotel has offered us two types of rooms:

- * **Double room** with capacity for 2 adults or 2 adults and 1 child (up to 11 years) or a **family room** for two adults and two children. **Families with children should choose this type of rooms to be able to take advantage of the 100% discount for the first child and a 50% discount for the second or third child** (According to a new law regulation there cannot be more than two adults in a room).
- * **Single room** It is a double room just for a person. That is the reason for the difference in cost. So if you prefer to pay less you will need to arrange to share the room with someone.

You can choose one of these two types of rooms with garden and swimming pool view (less expensive) or one with sea view (more expensive). All rooms are wheelchair accessible, and have TV, radio, direct-dial telephone, Internet access, security safe, balcony, air conditioning, and full bathroom with handheld shower.

"ALL INCLUSIVE" PACKAGE COST. (8 nights 9 days) WITHOUT FLIGHTS OR TRANSFERS

<u>Garden view room</u>	<u>Sea view room</u>
624,24 €	788,24 € per person 12 years and older in a SINGLE ROOM.
440,24 €	520,24 € per person 12 years and older sharing in a DOUBLE ROOM (Two twin beds)
0,00 €	0,00 € First child 2 to 11 years old sharing in a double room with other two adults will be FREE of charge.
220,12 €	260,12 € Cost for the second or for each child more 2 to 11 year old sharing in a double room with other two adults.

(There must be two adults and one or two children in the double room to apply for the child rate, otherwise each child will pay as an adult). It is a specially reduced rate for children! Cribs for babies are available free of charge. **Please request a crib when booking.**

NOTES: STAYING OFF-SITE OR BOOKINGS DO NOT MAKE THROUGH THE CHURCH: In order do not jeopardize the special group agreement conditions given at this hotel I absolutely recommend everyone to book through the church and stay at the Barcelo Hotel. In extenuating circumstances attendees may stay off-site or to not book through the church, but be aware in those cases we will charge **70,00 €** per person for shared festival expenses (meeting hall, translation and sound equipment service, etc.) which are included in the hotel package cost. Thanks for your understanding in this matter.

These prices will include:

- * 8 nights room from October 13 to the 20th both inclusive and 9 full days self-service buffet breakfast, lunch, and dinner (all with a wide variety of dishes and drinks to choose from), beginning with dinner on 13th October and ending after lunch on 21st October. Meals not taken are not reimbursed. If you will not be at the hotel for lunch you can order a picnic box lunch at the reception desk **the previous** evening to take with you.
- * "ALL INCLUSIVE" option includes sandwiches, ice creams, fruits, soft drinks, beers, wines, spirits and everything else they serve in their "ALL INCLUSIVE" bars along all day. Some international spirit brands are not included in the "ALL INCLUSIVE" package, so it is best to check the drinks menu before ordering.
- * All sports and activities that are offered by the Hotel Barcelo Ponent Playa, (table tennis, tennis, mini golf etc.) are also included in the "ALL INCLUSIVE" option. Nautical sports and diving are available at a cost on the beach. There is a full-sized golf course 7 kilometers away from the hotel available at stand
- * A proper meeting hall facility for services in the same hotel.
- * The use of equipment to facilitate translation.
- * VAT is included but you will need, as it is required by the law, to pay at check in the touristic tax (3.00 € per day and person.)

COST PER PERSON AND EACH EXTRA DAY OUT OF THE 8 NIGHTS PACKAGE

<u>Garden view room</u>	<u>Sea view room</u>
74,03 €	94,53 € per person 12 years and older in a SINGLE ROOM per each extra day out of the 8 nights package
51,03 €	61,03 € per person 12 years and older in a DOUBLE ROOM per each extra day out of the 8 nights package
0,00 €	0,00 € First child 2 to 11 years old sharing in a double room with other two adults will be FREE of charge.
25,52 €	30,52 € Cost for the second or for each child more 2 to 11 year old sharing in a double room with other two adults.

(There must be two adults and one or two children in the double room, or the family room, to apply for this special children's rate, otherwise each child will pay as an adult). It is a rate exceptionally reduced for children! Cribs for babies are available free of charge. **Please request a crib when booking.**

NON-REFUNDABLE PROCESSING FEE AND TIPS

To pay for the festival administrative expenses please do not forget to include the non-refundable processing fee of **38,00 €** per household, or **22,00 €** per person if they applied on the same form but are from different families. To minimise financial administration during our festival, (apart from accounting the October 14th and the October 21st offerings) please add around **5%** of your total expenses as a group service tip for all the personnel that will serve us at the hotel. At the end of the last day's service and in appreciation for the service received during our stay at the hotel, we give our collective tip to a representative group of the hotel personnel who have served us, to be distributed to all the workers. This has been the tradition at all the festivals we have celebrated in Spain. It is an appropriate occasion to show our appreciation and Christian love to the hotel personnel for their service to us.

BOOKING, PACKAGE PAYMENT AND RESERVATION CONDITIONS

To be sure you will be accepted and be able to enjoy the 2019 festival with all of us, **PLEASE send with your Booking Form a pound Sterling personal cheque for the full payment or for the 20% of the total package cost before April 30th. I MUST RECEIVE YOUR FESTIVAL BOOKING FORM IN MADRID BEFORE APRIL 30TH AS WELL AS AT LEAST 20% OF YOUR TOTAL PACKAGE COST PAYMENT PERSONAL CHEQUE.** We need to pay to the hotel the 20% deposit at the time of booking. According to the group reservation conditions given to us by the hotel **the reservations and 20% down payments which have not reached the hotel by that date will be increased by an additional 10% of its total cost.** Alternatively, you could send a FULL PAYMENT personal cheque to be sure you save some money on bank cheque clearing charges. Before **July 15th** you must send the remaining 80% of your booking total cost. Please do not forget **you must add up 15,60 euros** per each cheque as a bank cheque clearing charges. Thanks!! I think this is the cheaper way for you to pay. To pay for your total expenses please make your Euros FULL PAYMENT personal cheque payable "EXACTLY" to the **Comuni3n Internacional de la Gracia**. Thank you! If you prefer to do so, you could pay through PayPal in Euros using the church email as account: idadespana@yahoo.es But please be sure the church does not pay any aside expenses at this end. If that is the case PayPal normally charge the church with a 3,5% to 4,5% payment commission or more. Thank you!!

Those of you living in Ireland or any other European Euro countries or Switzerland or having a Euro bank account could order an Internet bank international transfer in Euros using the church bank account IBAN. Please find below the mailing address to send your Festival Booking form and your Euros payment personal cheque, and the church's bank account IBAN data that you would need if you wish to order an Internet bank international transfer full payment in Euros. In this case, please be sure the church is not going to be charged with any aside expenses at this end. Bur last year the church's bank charged some international transfers with a bank commission up to Euros 37,00 or more at this end **especially if you do not enter the full IBAN data** or any other required bank data. In this case please be sure to fill in the proper boxes with your name and "Majorca festival payment" for me to be able to identify who made the transfer, and let me know through an email message you ordered a transfer. Thanks!!

Mailing address to send your BOOKING FORM and PAYMENT:

Comuni3n Internacional de la Gracia
At. Pedro Ruffi3n Mesa
Real, 26
28610 VILLAMANTA, (MADRID) SPAIN

Comuni3n Internacional de la Gracia's bank account IBAN data to order an international transfer in Euros to pay for the full package cost:

Bank Account beneficiary: Comuni3n Internacional de la Gracia
IBAN: ES17 0075 0315 4406 0023 3238
Bank branch: Banco Popular
Bank office address: Plaza de Segovia, 2; 28600 NAVALCARNERO, (MADRID)
You will need to enter the "swift address": POPUESMM

Please, write down in your FESTIVAL BOOKING FORM appropriate boxes the full names of everyone in your family group, their ages (if they are younger than 12) and if they are Mr/Mrs/Miss, as we will use that information to put together the rooming list and reservations for the hotel. **Important note:** Please write down each booking group family head full personal address, passport number and phone number and/or an email address in case I need to contact you. Thanks!!

NOTE In case you book (if there are available rooms left) and pay later than **APRIL 30th PLEASE DO NOT FORGET THE COST WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY INCREASED BY a 10%!!!** Please remember, we will make firm hotel reservations for you on **FIRST PAID FIRST SERVED BASIS!!!**, as the hotel rooms and meeting hall available to our group are limited. So, to be sure you are accepted **send in as soon as possible your Festival booking form and your full payment personal cheque made payable to the "Comuni3n Internacional de la Gracia"** for the Euros TOTAL BALANCE EXPENSES amount, including around **5%** as a service tip, as shown on the 2019 Majorca Festival Booking Form. Thanks!!

CANCELLATION CONDITIONS:

Please, be aware that a cancellation of the hotel "ALL INCLUSIVE" package is possible under the following conditions and/or charges:

- Cancellations requested more than 30 days before arrival (October 13): 5,00 Euros per person on the reservation.
- Cancellations requested less than 30 days before arrival (October 13): 15% of the package cost.
- **NO SHOW** The hotel will charge 100% of the cost of the day if you do not show up or have not informed the hotel before 6:00 p.m. on your agreed arrival date.

CHECK-IN & CHECK-OUT TIME

- * Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Checkout time is Noon. On October the 21st the hotel offers a luggage storeroom service for us to leave our luggage until the time of our departure.
- * Pets are not allowed.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- It would be advisable for you to change some of your currency into euros on your arrival at the airport bank. They usually give a better exchange rate than at the hotel or the banks in the city.
- The weather in Majorca at the time of the festival is autumnal. The average temperature during October is about 24°C. (75°F). The average number of sunny days during October are 20, but it may rain some days and some days' temperature may rise to 30°C. Seawater at that time of the year is warm, so you can swim at the beach every day if you wish to.
- Up today, EU-UK citizens need just their ID cards or passports to enter Spain. USA citizens need a valid passport but as far as I know, a visa is not required but you could check with your travel agent. Citizens from other countries should check with their travel agent or the Spanish Consulate for visa requirements.

ALL INCLUSIVE SELF SERVICE RESTAURANT AND BARS AND SNACK BARS TIME TABLE

Breakfast: from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; **Lunch:** from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; **Dinner:** from 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. **Lobbies bars:** drinks from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. **Snack bars** at the swimming pool and on the beach terrace from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.



MAJORCA 2019-FESTIVAL BOOKING FORM

Please, complete this form (one per household) and send it back to me along with your **Euro personal cheque, made payable to the "Comunión Internacional de la Gracia**, for the full payment or for the 20% the TOTAL BALANCE EXPENSES amount. Or order your Euros international bank transfer with the bank data given above, including around a 5% service tip on the proper box on this festival booking form. **Please send your booking form and your cheque to the following address:**

Comunión Internacional de la Gracia
 Pedro Rufián Mesa
 Real, 26,
 28610 Villamanta, (Madrid), SPAIN

We must RECEIVE your FESTIVAL BOOKING FORM and your FULL PAYMENT CHEQUE or your 20% PAYMENT CHEQUE in Madrid before April 30th

FULL NAME: _____
 ID or Passport number _____
 ADDRESS: _____

 E-mail: _____
 Phone: _____



PEOPLE ON THIS FORM, INCLUDING YOURSELF:
 FULL NAMES, CHILDREN AGES (Mr./Mrs./Miss)
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In what capacity would you like to serve?: Speaking (If you are an elder or speak in your church area) Ushering and set up Translation Choir Special Music Worship leading in English Songs piano accompaniment Video and sound system Organizing the Talent show Organizing the Worship, Praise and Prayer service Helping with the family dance Children festival Bible School. Please write the names and the capacities in which you would like to serve: _____

(1) "ALL INCLUSIVE" PACKAGE COST PER PERSON WITHOUT FLIGHTS, TRANSFERS, GROUP EXCURSION OR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:

	Garden view rooms	Sea view rooms	Num of people	Total
Total Package per person 12 years and older in a single room.....	€ 624.24	€ 788.24	x _____ = € _____	(1)
Total Package per person 12 years and older sharing in a double room.....	€ 440.24	€ 520.24	x _____ = € _____	(2)
No charge for the first child 2 to 11 years old sharing with two adults in a double room				
Total cost per each extra child 2 to 11 years old sharing with two adults in a double room ..	€ 220.12	€ 260.12	x _____ = € _____	(3)

(2) COST PER PERSON AND EXTRA DAY OUT OF THE 8 NIGHTS GROUP PACKAGE

	Garden view rooms	Sea view rooms	N. of days	N. of people
Room and ALL INCLUSIVE board in a single room	€ 74.03	€ 94.53	x _____	x _____ = € _____ (4)
Room and ALL INCLUSIVE board sharing in a double room	€ 51.03	€ 61.03	x _____	x _____ = € _____ (5)
No charge for the first child 2 to 11 years old sharing with two adults in a double room				
Room and ALL INCLUSIVE board per each extra child 2 to 11 years old sharing with 2 adults.....	€ 25.52	€ 30.52	x _____	x _____ = € _____ (6)

*** IF YOU PLAN TO ARRIVE EARLIER OR DEPART LATER**, please, WRITE HERE THE DAY OF YOUR ARRIVAL AT THE HOTEL: _____
 AND THE DAY OF YOUR DEPARTURE FROM HOTEL: _____

TOTAL FAMILY PACK EXPENSES (Please add up from 1 to 6 figures) = € _____ (7)

*** Group Service tip**, around 5% (of figure 7) the total family Package expenses = € _____ (8)

Bank charges for clearing each payment cheque (Please do not include this amount if you order a bank transfer) = € **15.60** (9)

Non-refundable processing fee (€ 38.00 per family or € 22.00 per person or if they are from different families) .. = € _____ (10)

GRAND TOTAL BALANCE FAMILY PACKAGE EXPENSES IN EUROS TO BE SENT IN A PERSONAL CHEQUE, OR PAY THROUGH AN INTERNATIONAL BANK TRANSFER (Please add up) (7)+(8)+(9)+(10) = € _____

Please write down the number and types of room you will need, and the names of the people who will be sharing with you. And please do not forget that if you ask for separate rooms for your children each of them will pay as an adult. Connecting rooms are not available at this hotel but they will assign adjacent ones for those who request them.

____ **Single room** Garden view ____ Sea view / ____ **Double room** garden view ____ Sea view /
 ____ **Double room** with children garden view ____ Sea view (Please keep in mind that the Sea view rooms are more expensive)
 With whom will you share a room?

