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FROM THE SEEDS ORPHANAGE IN AMMAMBAKKAM , INDIA ---Dear Dad Reggie. Greetings from your family of Santosh & John and the Seeds orphanage ministry in India . By His grace and mercy we are all keeping well. I thank God for that. The Government officer give the permission to reopen the seeds home from June 1st 2014. Now the ongoing work is going well for our boys home. Now the carpenter is fixing the doors first. Then we painting all the building. We have now completed the repairs on the building.. Today we start the kitchen work. Pray for all our ongoing work at Seeds mission at Ammambakkam. Pray for our entire ministry needs in India . Please convey my regards to White Fields Team . With love Santhosh & John

FROM FRANCIUS JOSEPH IN GONAIVES , HAITI --Dear father How are you? Your family and your church ministries in U S A. Today it is a great privilege for me to write you and tell to you the Raboteau Christian church and the Christian school are doing well by the grace of the lord. And I would like to tell thanks to you for \$200 dollars I received from you. I used the money to pay the school teachers for the month of December. For the month of January I received \$50. I used it to take care of my family. As for the month of February I received \$150 and I used it to pay the school teachers for the month of February. I would like to ask you to continue to pray the church and the school Building that needs a new roof. You are in my prayers daily. May God bless you. Your son in Christ, Francius Joseph

FROM MINDANAO, PHILIPPINES--- we started a pioneering outreach in Camiguin an island in Mindanao with 5 existing Municipalities. With God's help we now have two house Churches. The goal is to put up at least one in every municipality. We have now enough funds to pay for each preacher to maintain the church later We are in Bohol this time for my doctors appointment. Am forbidden from eating all red meat this time. Details of lab result on Tuesday. Please help us pray for available preacher with available fund for the third town we plan and pray to open in Catarman Camiguin. PRAYING, Nemesio and Terry Carbonilla

ATTENTION:

If You Are Looking For An Interesting Missions Day Program

Evangelist Reggie Thomas and his wife Esther, are available to come to your church at a date of your choosing:

- *They have a power point presentation of the work of White Fields
- *They have a power point presentation of the Orphanage Ministry of White Fields
- *Reggie is available to preach a message on World Missions
- *They are available for a Sunday School Class presentation on Missions
- *They are available for a Sunday night service or a Wednesday night service

Phone Reggie and Esther today 417 483 9029 to confirm a date for your church or Sunday School Class or write them at reggieesther@cableone.net They will answer and work out a date with you.



Immersion in 2014

We praise God that during this year 2014 there have been 913 souls who have accepted Jesus as Savior and Lord and obeyed Him in Christian baptism. White Fields Overseas Evangelism is associated with 439 native evangelists worldwide. These evangelists are all looking to White Fields for support. At the present time we are only able to support 129 of these Native Evangelists. We need more supporters. It is a great thrill to report to you that these native evangelists have written to us that during January -March they along with our American Evangelists have baptized 913 souls. Thank the Lord!!!



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The title to a popular gospel song from the 1960's emphasizes our Rock of Refuge in danger and trouble, but right now my heart is overwhelmed with the amazing grace and goodness of God in protecting me from more danger than I realized at the time when I was in Ukraine .

My Trip to Ukraine

My trip to Ukraine began on February 12-13, 2014, and was bathed in more prayer than usual because of the strange weather and airport-closing storms before and during my trip. I even tried to change my route from going through Chicago because it is notorious for bad weather, but on February 12, Chicago weather was fine, but Atlanta was shut down by another snow and ice storm! Roman met me at the Kiev airport, took me to Ocean Plaza where we had rich fellowship with Stas, and lunch together, then Roman got me on the overnight train to Nikolaev, to arrive on the morning of February 14. My arrival early on the 14th allowed me the opportunity to get settled, enjoy the fellowship and share in the teaching at the small group that Friday evening, preach for the Lion's Gate Messianic congregation on Saturday, and also for Christian Church of Reconciliation on Sunday. During the Sunday service we also shared the joy of Alex and Katya's wedding service, which was the main reason I came earlier in the year than ever before. My message for both congregations was "For Such a Time as This", which emphasizes concentration on The Presence of God, The Power of God, The Providence of God and The Promises of God. Yuri Korshun, founder of the Messianic congregation, was my interpreter for both congregations. The responses from both churches made my trip worthwhile.

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My Exodus from Ukraine

I knew serious trouble was brewing in Ukraine before I left home because of email reports we were receiving from our co-workers there. I already had my tickets, yet Della asked me, "I suppose you wouldn't consider postponing your trip, would you?" My response was, "The safest place on earth is in the center of God's will – and He hasn't told me not to go." The violence that took place in Kiev during the ten to twelve days after my arrival was disturbing and heart rending, but all was peaceful in Nikolaev where I was teaching at Black Sea University and working with the two congregations. When Crimea became a trouble spot too, and I was getting warnings not to go there, I asked God to clarify to me through Sergei Golovin's reply if I should skip going there. I still thought that the trouble was pretty much localized in Kiev and Crimea. By Friday, February 28, I had Sergei's word advising me not to try to come to Crimea after teaching for Tavrisky Christian Institute the first week of March.

On Saturday, March 1, "The Power of Positive Praying" was the title of my message for the Messianic congregation – very good responses. The wakeup call came on Sunday morning, March 2, when I was packed to go to Kherson that evening for teaching at TCI, and prepared to preach for two congregations first. I called Sergei Golovin about 8:00 a.m. and he said approximately the following: "Brother, it is providential that you called. I need to talk to you!!! Have you heard the latest news? Russia has declared war on Ukraine. You need to get out of the country now! ASAP!!" I told him that I didn't want to be foolish, but that I had mixed emotions because Jesus said that the hireling is the one who runs when the wolf is coming. He reminded me that Jesus also told his disciples it was time for them to leave a city. He then reminded me that He said, "When you see the army beginning to surround the city - get out." He also reminded me that Russia has a strong anti-American spirit and that I would be a target. He said that I may not have any young men to teach at TCI because Ukraine would be calling them into military service. At the Christian Church of Reconciliation a short time later Alexander Rudenko, senior minister, told me he fully agreed with Sergei's analysis. At the leadership prayer meeting before the service, he asked the whole group to pray for me and to pray for Ukraine. Then he asked Viktor to take me to the airport in Odessa and for Slava to go along as interpreter. Slava invited Dasha to go along to practice her English and help interpret.

As we were leaving town, I told Viktor that his van was probably a more comfortable means of transport than the basket Paul rode in when the believers helped him escape over the wall at Damascus. They got a good laugh about that. The guys told me if I couldn't fly out from Odessa (about a 2 1/2 hour drive), they would take me to Kiev - which they did. It was another 7 1/2 hour drive to Kiev, where we met Roman. He arranged for the two of us to stay at his mother's home. After about 3 hours of sleep, we got up before 2 a.m. in order to be at the airport before 4 a.m. Later Monday morning, March 3rd, at the Frankfurt airport I saw a large rack of newspapers with the war declared by Russia on Ukraine boldly occupying the front page of each one, and I realized anew how thankful I am for the sacrificial service of my brothers and sisters in Christ in Ukraine. My heart is overwhelmed with the goodness of God and His gracious care through the technical savvy with smart phones and computers that He has given to Tamara (my primary translator), Sergei, Bogdon, Alexander, Viktor, Slava and Roman - and their sacrifices to help me get out of Ukraine. Please pray for God's presence and providence to protect them and shine through them to bring light and life in Christ to their fellow Ukrainians.

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FROM SIERRA LEONE, AFRICA ---WE ARRIVED IN LEVUMA FEB 15 AFTER SPENDING A NIGHT IN KENEMA. ON FEB 16, I MET WITH BROTHERS AND ELDERS OF THE CHURCH TO DISCUSS THE CONFUSION IN THE CHURCH. IT ALL CENTERED AROUND THE PLAYING OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS AND Women's ROLE IN THE CHURCH. THE LOCAL PREACHER EXPLAINED TO ME THAT ANOTHER PREACHER FROM THE NON- INSTRUMENTAL CHURCH OF CHRIST BASED IN FREETOWN INVITED THE LEADERSHIP OF THE LEVUMA CHURCH OF CHRIST (INSTRUMENTAL) TO A SEMINAR IN FREETOWN. DURING THAT SEMINAR THE INVITEES FROM THE CHURCH IN LEVUMA WERE TOLD THAT THE REAL CHURCH OF CHRIST SHOULD NOT USE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS DURING CHURCH WORSHIP; THEY SHOULD NOT HAVE MORNING DEVOTION; THEY SHOULD NOT PAY TITHES; THAT WOMEN SHOULD NOT AT ALL TAKE PART IN WORSHIP SERVICE BUT TO RATHER REMAIN SILENT. THESE AND MANY OTHER DOCTRINAL ISSUES RAISED DURING THAT SEMINAR IN FREETOWN BROUGHT A BIG SPLIT IN THE CHURCH. IT CAUSED ABOUT 80% OF THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP TO ABSTAIN FROM CHURCH ACTIVITIES. WHAT A PITY!!! AFTER 20 MINUTES OF PRAYER WE WENT INTO SCRIPTURES. THE HOLY SPIRIT DID HIS WORK THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES WE DISCUSSED. THEY ALL WERE MADE TO UNDERSTAND THAT THESE ARE ALL NON ESSENTIALS OF THE BIBLE AND ARE A MATTER OF OPINION. I TOLD THEM THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST. THEY ALL AGREED TO CONTINUE WITH THEIR SERVICE JUST AS USUAL I TOLD THEM TO CHECK TO BIBLE FOR ANY STRANGE TEACHING THAT MAY COME FROM OTHER SOURCES AND SHOULD ACCEPT ONLY WHAT THE BIBLE WOULD SAY IN SUCH MATTERS. I SPENT 2 EXTRA DAYS WITH THE BEFORE I WENT TO VAHUN CHURCH THE CHURCH IN LEVUMA IS IN URGENT NEED OF \$320 TO CONSTRUCT A PIT LATRINE. IN CHRIST.MIKE

FROM INDIA 40 SOULS BAPTIZED---Dear Loving Director of White Fields, *Greetings to you and your family in the name of our lord and savior Jesus Christ. I hope this letter finds you and your family doing well.* Thank you so much for your financial and prayer support. Here is one full year's 2013 various ministry report. The Lord used me, totally. I have baptized 40 souls Praise The Lord! But my target was 100. Anyway pray for the new converts. By the way i have another two branch churches at Andhra Pradesh. Four new testament churches have been established and also Lord using me to teach the bible among the huge crowded crusades. Pray for my ministry I will pray for you and White Fields ministries Thanking you, Your faithful servant at His service, Albert

FROM THE FISHING VILLAGE MINISTRY SOUTHERN INDIA-- God helped as to continue the white field ministry because God always be with white fields. He is one who called you to do this ministry. May His blessings always with you 12 souls accepted our Lord and were baptized in Christ and become members of our churches. Jeff and Chris are good teachers and very good preachers. They bought the bibles for the youth and women in the churches. Jeff was teaching the preachers. They are so thrilled to hear his thoughts from the bible. The white fields team brought to India great blessings in the churches and to the preachers and others. To God be the glory thank you so much for sending the preachers from America. God bless your ministry. His blessings will always with you and your family. Love you brother T.G. Aruldoss

The Malaysia Tragedy

By Dr. W. Blythe Robinson

Horrific describes the horrible loss of so many lives on the recent fatal flight of Malaysia Airlines.

Mysterious describes the twisted issues regarding how such a great modern airplane could simply vanish.

Bereavement describes the loss of the thousands of relatives, friends and acquaintances connected with all those who perished.

Terror describes the unthinkable emotional experience of so many as they faced death and the end of all things pertaining to this earthly life.

Shock describes the likely, but unknown, unexpected experience of hundreds who faced a man named Jesus and became believers, too late.

Thankfulness settled deep into my mind and filled it with somber thoughts as I reflected upon my own travels in and out of Kuala Lumpur on Malaysian Air several times over the past few years. Their fate could easily have been mine. I remembered another recent flight which encountered such turbulence that it threw me against the side of my seat while the plane shook and vibrated like it could break apart at any moment. I prayed what could have been my last prayer. No doubt they did too. However, thankfully, your prayers for all of us at White Fields regarding all of our trips throughout the years, have been heard and honored. Now we ask that those same prayers be made for funding that we might continue and increase, not decrease, our efforts for Him.

Today the sun may be shining; tomorrow it may rain. Such is the uncertainty of life. James asked "**what is your life?**" [James 4:14]. I think of it as the morning mist which quickly vanishes with the rising of the sun. We need to adjust our perspective forward as we have our clocks, for the sun that rises is also in the process of setting. Soon "we will be where there is no setting sun" and with it ends our opportunity to bless this world in His name. Please help us get it done before that "setting sun" has come!!!

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FROM GAMBIA , AFRICA---Hello Mr. Reggie, Glad to receive you mail from Haiti . As for us in the Gambia the Lord is in control. We lost two of our strong members in a car accident. We pray their souls rest in peace. God has blessed and we now we have 277 members . This week we praise God for the souls of 33 new people that we baptized. Thanks to White Fields for your support. Benson K. Cole.

FROM HAVANA , CUBA , 2 BAPTISMS---Dear Reggie Today we have a wonderful Lord's Day's Meeting. All the place was full of brothers and guests. We had two baptisms All was for the glory of God. Mercy sends you her prayers and regards. Lot of love Manuel & Mercy

FROM BOHOL ISLAND PHILLIPPINES---Just want to say thank you for your continued support. Want you to know also that today the Lord and the angels rejoice with the 7 baptisms. Thanks for praying. Glory to God in the highest! Florante

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Positive Ponderings on Prayer & Providence

Black Sea University is a secular campus with Christian roots. This trip I taught more classes and had better rapport than ever before. The current crises in their country seemed to be opening more hearts to the vital questions about life, death, origin, purpose and meaning than ever before.

Also, it is highly probable that there has never been more prayer going up for the country called Ukraine than at this point in history. It's usually darkest before the dawn. Please pray for true revival in the churches and deep spiritual awakening all across the nation. (Can you direct some of that fervent prayer for America too?)

My heart is overwhelmed when I think of all my brothers and sisters in American and in Ukraine , who have prayed for my safety and service to our Lord. How wonderful to be home with my family - and my heart is overwhelmed with gratitude to God for His big wonderful Family, who cares, shares and prays!!! I am a recipient of the multiplied blessings from the power of positive praying. THANK YOU!

Dear Reggie,

Yes, you are certainly welcome to use what I have written to the glory of God in any way you choose - in print, on your website, or any other way.

Thank you so very much for putting the prayer request for me in big print on the back page of the March report. I'm learning how many people have been praying for me - and for Ukraine .

I wish I had mentioned on the radio interview that Ukraine 's only hope is Christ, the Prince of Peace. America cannot save her! Europe cannot save her. I intended to emphasize the importance of focusing on the presence and power of God instead of the presence and power of Russia . We need to earnestly pray for believers in Russia as well as to shine the light of truth in a dark world. Let's pray for true revival in the churches of Russia and a massive spiritual awakening there also.

Militarily, Russian soldiers outnumber Ukrainians about four to one and Russia has far more military equipment and prowess, so logically Ukraine doesn't have a whisper of a chance. Logically David didn't have a chance against Goliath either! "But God...!" Almighty God is in control. Let's pray fervently for Him to intervene and turn the hearts of both Russians and Ukrainians to Him - His will and His way.

Truly we are living in turbulent, trying times, but also thrilling times. We can be on the edge of our seats in anticipation of what our Prince of Peace will do next! May it be as amazing, astounding, and awe-inspiring as "Team Reports 645 Souls Baptized" in the India outreach, in spite of the government crackdown forbidding foreign evangelists to preach and forbidding open air meetings, plus sending secret police to dog the steps of the preachers. How appropriate are the words of the apostle Paul: "*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.*" Romans 1:16.

Yours & His in the joy of Jesus,
Rick

Hope For Bulgaria



One early morning in 1998 I opened an email from a girl named Elena. She claimed to be from Bulgaria and wanted to know what she could do to help us and what we could do to help orphans in Bulgaria.

Zane was working next to me and I told him about the email. Although I felt different about this email, I was still skeptical. We get letters every day from people in Nigeria, India, Pakistan and other countries wanting financial help. With all the email scams going around, we do not answer all the letters and put them in the trash folder. I reached for the mouse to click the delete button. I hesitated and read the first paragraph again. I again turned to Zane and asked what he thought. Although he was hesitant, he wasn't as negative and skeptical as I was. He told me not to delete it, to

give it a couple of days to pray about the letter.

Every time I went to my desk, the email caught my eye. I would read it again and again. "She does not ask for money." "She repeats over and over how she wants to serve God." "Her heart is showing thru this letter, she is full of love!" I wrote Elena back. That began our work with Elena in Bulgaria.

Here is what Elena has to say about why she wanted to help:

I become a Christian right after the communist system fell down 1990. Before that no Bibles, no churches, no faith. We met at a secret place as we were still not free. When my mom knew that she wanted me to stop going to church or she will send me out from the house. I didn't stop going, just prayed and trusting God to help me. After few months she become a Christian too. I finished Bible Studies in Croatia in 1997. Bulgaria didn't have any Bible colleges at this time. While I was a student, I visited orphanage and fell in love with these sweet children. As I grew up without a father I thought it must be so hard to not have mom and dad. From this time I start feeling this is my way of showing my Christian love.

Zane went to Bulgaria on several occasions. We came up with plans for Elena's orphanage ministry. We were waiting for the freedom to open our own orphanage. Elena explains why this has not been possible:

In Bulgaria orphanages are under the government (state run). From communist time until now, the thinking still exist that these children are problems and must be put far away, in villages far away, so they cannot disturb the rest of us normal Bulgarians. I cannot explain the condition and how they live - poor. Many are sick, cold, dirty. So often they end up in prostitution or missing.

The major problem with the children they are not social! When they reach 18 they must leave the orphanage. They do not have anywhere to go, to live or work. They don't know simple things as cooking, paying bills, washing. Most of them live on the streets or prostitute. Also most of them are gypsy or very sick or disabled. No body will give them work.

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Elena has such a big heart for these children. She wishes she could take them all into her own home. Elena visits the closest orphanage every time she has a chance. The government has put even more restrictions on visitors to the orphanage.

Elena has seen many changes in Bulgaria. Christians are persecuted. Corruption is high and morals are low. Jobs and money are scarce in Bulgaria. People are desperate. People have no hope.

Elena has also seen many changes in her own life. She is married to Georgi Yordanov. She has 3 children: Simeon, Anabela, and Rebeka. She has had some severe, traumatic experiences in the last few years. She is a strong, sweet lady.

Because of all the changes, closed orphanages, and her own personal experiences, Elena has widened her vision for her work in Bulgaria. She visits orphanages when she can. She tries to take the children toys and other supplies. Elena has also started meeting with neighborhood children and working with people to help make their lives better too. She tries to teach them the Word of God when she can. Elena has started Bible Studies with neighbors. She also reaches out to other hurting women. Elena truly wants HOPE FOR BULGARIA!

