



Dear Partners in Prayer,

Facets of Furlough!

During this particular deputation at home we were excited to watch how the Lord brought people to Himself and urged others to come back or follow Him closer. This happened repeatedly and we know there was rejoicing in Heaven over those who responded. However, the devil has also been busy and continues to deceive. One day it was impressed upon David to visit a lady who found the Lord while just 15 in one of David's missions almost 40 years ago.

It took 2 hours to find her whereabouts but eventually it worked out. **Roseann** was glad to see him, but he was saddened to find she had gotten involved in a Spiritualist church and was contacting her dead family and friends, which she found to be of great comfort! When David explained the deception of Satan, she renounced the church, giving David some of her 'idols' to destroy and promising to go to church. However, by 7 am Sunday she sent him a message that she would not go to church, her faith was still in Spiritualism, and since then she ignores his calls. Please remember her in prayer that the evil one will not succeed in keeping her bound!

The meetings were great and we were delighted to see many of you and to know we are being upheld in prayer. It was a special joy to have one main gathering with the MacDonald side of the family, two large Lyttle family gatherings and also to be part of the 40th Wedding Anniversary Party for George & Eleanor O'Sullivan, long term friends and prayer partners from Kings Heath! We are very sorry if we ran out of time and didn't get to see you. David was able to fit in many visits this year, but as some were quite needy cases, meaning he visited more frequently, there were those we didn't manage to see.

Please pray on for this period of work and as you will note from this letter there is plenty to pray for!

Jottings from the Journey!

We had a good journey back with a few adventures, which we could clearly define as God moments, so thank you for praying for the trip!

In Belgium, we picked up 1 ¼ tons of literature, Bibles and Gospel Booklets. This gave us the opportunity to have fellowship with two missionaries, who inspired us with their dedication and devotion to the Lord and to his Work.

We travelled on through Luxembourg, but on entering Germany we heard a screeching, grating metal sound from the van. Pulling off the motorway, we found ourselves in an industrial area and after visiting two different repair shops who couldn't help us, we were advised us to go to the Mercedes workshop, right in the same industrial estate. We were a little apprehensive about going to Mercedes because of their high labour costs, but didn't really have another choice.

On the test drive the mechanic noticed the screeching noise and drove the van over a pit. They noticed the towbar attachment was loose and ordered the necessary locking bolts. While waiting for these they did a thorough check of the van. Finding nothing amiss, after fixing the towbar, the next test drive showed the vehicle was working perfectly.

Imagine our delight, when told we only had to pay the **10 euros for the bolts** as they said it was for a good cause!! David had a good opportunity of witnessing to the people in the garage and everyone was keen to accept the literature we left them! God had it all worked out, and the rest of our journey was great, with beautiful weather, nice visits and we arrived at the boat after the week-long strike!



10 Euros for the bolts

Passing of a Pastor!

Arriving home, the house was fine, even although there were huge high weeds in the camp site field! On the first day home a **56-year old Nigerian Pastor** friend of ours passed away with a heart condition, which he had suffered from for 16 years. After the young men of the church dug the grave themselves and made all their own arrangements, to reduce costs, the African-style funeral was held on Good Friday in the open air in the Graveyard.

His wife sang 'How Great thou Art' and many others spoke of his quiet spirit and how **Johnson** had led so many Africans to a deeper knowledge of Christ in his time on this earth.

Fellowship with Friends!

Easter Sunday found us in Gevgelija, where we enjoyed a lovely day with the believers. It was nice to be back among them and to see how the Lord has been guiding and leading! Kina was back in church with her two daughters and it was lovely to see them and to hear how Caroline's 2 year old granddaughter 'accidentally' called Kina one day and amazingly managed to get an answer on the phone. Caroline was able to renew contact and make it possible for them to be brought to church. God never makes mistakes! **Belinda**, Kina's 18 year old, is in a quandary about what to do after school, as it is not feasible for most Roma children to attend places of further education. She suddenly began weeping uncontrollably, but still didn't completely open up with the problem! Please pray for her!

Tasks for the Team!

Easter Tuesday saw the arrival of **Martin, Norman & Trevor** from Northern Ireland, who came to start the camp building. Since the container had not yet arrived, the men found plenty of other jobs to keep them occupied, as we waited and prayed for it. Finally, but right on time, it arrived on Thursday, thankfully with no importation problems and we were able to get some youth from Katerini church to help with the emptying of it!

Even the truck driver was amazed at the lack of paperwork or customs, which he had never experienced before. Thanks for praying!

Immediately, the JCB was put to work, clearing the area for the cabin bases and the roadway inside the land. As it shifted yet another truck load of stones effortlessly, we realised it had already paid for itself in work hours and effort and from here on everything else is a bonus. In spite of a couple of days of very bad rain, the men were able to get the bases in for 3 cabins and the entrance driveway in place. This will make the next phase of work much easier.

David spoke to the Katerini teens on Saturday evening and on Sunday he travelled with the men to Bitola where they had a lovely time of fellowship with the assembly there and got to know those they had been praying for.

On the return journey they called in at **Berea** and were delighted to see how God brought Pastor Nikos and Giannis across their path at just the right moment. They saw round the church, had coffee with the pastor and enjoyed a good time with them there. Pastor Nikos reports that in recent days the town council has been leaving them in peace and they are relieved to have this ordeal behind them. He wants to thank you for your prayers and ask that you continue to remember their witness in the town.

In general, the Greeks have survived another year of desperation and for the moment at least, with Easter being the beginning of the tourist season, things are looking better. Food and fuel is generally more available and people are again hopeful, for at least some easing of their situation. Food banks are still operating and friends of ours are involved in many of these. We do still have sporadic strikes and power cuts but these are to be expected.

These next months will be more visiting in FYROMacedonia as well as once again covering for Pastor **Mike** in Thessaloniki, while he goes to the USA. Pastor **Nikos** [Berea] and Pastor **Ileas** [Katerini] also want David to help out in their pulpits when he can make it, but there are really not enough Sundays in a month!!!

We do have a couple more teams expected to continue the labour in the camp!

Titbits from the Tribe!

We want to congratulate **Iain** who has just finished his Doctoral studies and will graduate on May 10th and also to thank **Tanja** and their girls for their patience & understanding, as Iain spent many hours over the past years studying and researching for his topic. They are very glad to have him back!!

Bryan & Tiffany are now well on the way to adopting the three additional kids and we are all delighted that things have gone so smoothly for this transition. The children have all adapted well and are progressing daily in the new family structure. Catalina, as the oldest, only celebrated her 8th birthday last month so they definitely have their hands full and we trust you will remember them in prayer as they follow their hearts in this.

Allyn recently returned from a successful but busy trip to Myanmar and Thailand and is continuing to work very hard at his many-faceted job!! **Jon Marc**, now doing his IT work from home has meant they don't need so much help with child minding while **Jen** works. Recently, one of her patients, sought her out through the hospital, for a special thank you for the effort she put into their care. That is quite a good testimonial!

We ask for special prayer for **Davy**, who is fighting an invasive form of cancer and for his wife Nora, Wilma's sister, as they go through this difficult time together!



JCB Clearing Area



Team in Berea



Plenty of Work for Labor Teams



Bryan's Six Children

Facilitating the Finances!

As you all know we had been looking for someone to take over our financial and secretarial work, but it was not until our last few days in N. Ireland that Jennifer Mackin came forward willing to take over this responsibility.

Jennifer is ideal for the job, fully trained and has been a prayer partner for many years. In fact, she was the first person to relay to her work colleague the story of David's mothers conversion [in the days before mobile phones], and that colleague [Janet Gibson] was able to tell it to David that evening. As Jennifer came to meet the Mizpah Board, it turns out she knows most of them through various other channels, so everyone is very appreciative of her coming on board!!!

As we look forward with joy to working together in the future, we do remember with gratitude the years Ella was committed to this task and last year Sharon Bell. We are also deeply indebted to each one of you, whose generosity over many decades have kept them busy and provided for the ministry in Eastern Europe, the War Fronts & Refugee camps of Yugoslavia and latterly the needy fields of Greece and FYROMacedonia. Thank You one and all!

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We ask that you get to know Jennifer now as your contact for anything to do with Finances for Mizpah. Thank You for being supportive through yet another transition!!!

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