

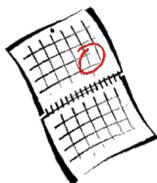
this is a tremendous answer to prayer and we thank you sincerely.

Our daughter-in-law **Jen** had a narrow escape when the air-conditioning in her Audi suddenly burst into flames. She quickly got **Eva** out of the car and **Jon Marc** who was working close by tried to save the car with a fire extinguisher but to no avail. However, we are thankful no one was hurt and although the car was written off they were able to get a replacement. They are very conscious of God's hand of Protection on their lives and we thank you for remembering to pray for our family.

Proposed Program

The family in the USA are doing well, with the expectant mums making all the necessary preparations. We look forward to spending this special time with them all, and trust we will be used and have good opportunities while there. **We will be staying Dec & Jan** in a mission house from TRBC which we are extremely grateful for, and all mail should be sent c/o **Iain Lyttle**, 206 Twin Oaks Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24502, USA.

Following this we will be taking **meetings in Northern Ireland**. If you have not already called to book a meeting, now is the time to do so, as we would like to see you. The dates already filled are as follows:-



February

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| 7th | Men's Breakfast |
| 8th | Banbridge Independent Methodist (am) |
| 8th | Ballyrobert Mission Hall (pm) |
| 15th | Craigavon Baptist Church (am & pm) |
| 22nd | Ards Evangelical Fellowship (am & pm) |

March

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| 1st | Derry crew Mission Hall (pm)
<i>Leave Ireland March 11th</i> |
| 19th | Kings Heath Evangelical, B'Ham (7.45pm) |

In the Easter week of April 11th-18th after we return to Greece, David will be assisting Thomas Jennings with teaching as they take a **Northern Ireland tour group** to the places Paul preached. As we have been helping with the set up for the group, there have been various opportunities to witness and some hotels remember having similar groups come, who preached and sang. The reports we have heard of the witness of God's people from Bulgaria, Poland etc have been very positive and left a lasting impression on the workers. Be aware – the world is watching you. The next need we have for the work on the house is a **plasterer or a team of them** to finish the walls inside & out before we get into the hot summer of 2009.

Mailing Matters

Sincere thanks to those who answered our 'Tuit' and sent email #'s. It has been suggested that some people may like to have their **Prayer Letters electronically** and should this be the case and your computer can receive a **pdf** format, please let us know. We need your **name & email #** so we can add you to this list, and also your **street address**, (as we have several people with the same name), so we can cancel your mailed copy. We are however, perfectly happy to continue sending snail mail copies as we do now, we just ask that you continue praying, as without prayer what would we do?

God's Gift

All that remains is for us to wish you God's richest Blessing for Christmas and New Year and remind you that, **'the greatest gift of Christmas is the one we've already gotten long ago'**.



Yours in His Service,
David & Wilma Lyttle

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Dear Prayer Partners,

This might be hard for you all to believe, but we are busy, and life is hectic, but we are doing fine with it! We are very thankful for your prayers and support and very conscious of **'His strength made perfect in our weakness.'** David quipped recently about one of our boys schedules, that 'Littles do best under pressure,' and the reason for this is: we depend on the Lord's strength more than our own during these times.

We have not had many lonesome moments over the past months, with people passing through to visit or to work and also with the various trips we have made. Between working on the house, delivering medications, literature and supplies, visitation, taking services, much has been accomplished and by the time you get this letter, the last trip to Bitola will have taken place plus over 230 homes in our locality will have been visited and received their annual evangelistic calendar for 2009.

Willing Workers

Of course, all this could not happen, without the help of many folks. First we had Wilma's sister **Elizabeth, Jonathan and girls** and Jonathan helped David with insulating walls in preparation for the electrics. Please remember them as they plan to move to the Isle of Skye next year and also pray that **Gorgie mission** hall where they serve now will find a replacement before they leave.

Next came, David's sister **Esther, Robert, Mabel & Noel**, who transformed the balcony to a very comfortable place to eat or sit out in good weather, as well as helping get the small balcony ready for use. Both these groups were able to enjoy the sunshine too, with sea & beach times and also make friends in the village.

We traveled between the arrivals of these two sets of people and again before **Bertie & Peter** came. Bertie did most all the electric work he had left from a previous visit, finishing the extension and also putting in the generator electrics. It is wonderful now to go round the house and switch on lights everywhere and also not have to use extensions to bring power to the work areas. **Hazel**, Bertie's wife, joined us in the second week and the painting of the new railings on the balcony and the safety gates were among the jobs she completed. The calendars for outreach arrived the last weekend before they left and Hazel was a great help in getting them wrapped for delivery. We

were able to make one trip to Gevgelija with everyone, where all the men folk were given a chance to speak.

Peter is also on his fourth working trip here and has been invaluable in helping with interior walls, painting the big sliding gate, insulating the attic and various other jobs. As well as coming to Gevgelija he has been able to visit Bitola, where he has been before and people still remember him. Since last time, he has sent notes to help some of the young people with their Bible readings through the Morden Baptist church, which has been of great assistance to the youth there.



Encouraging Encounters

On a recent trip to **Bitola** we delivered a **piano** sent from Germany, which will be invaluable for the meetings and especially encourage the young people. While there, we were invited to the home of **Gordana** who is a recent believer, and whose family are not yet saved. We were delighted to find that her mother had previously lived on what is now the Greek side of the border, and could remember some Greek. Gordana told us that she had recently started reading the Bible to her mother and her mother commented, 'Daughter, why did you keep this from me for so long. It is very interesting with lots of good stuff in there.' She told her mother it was only recently that she had discovered it herself, but was encouraged in her faith. It is not easy in her work place either, although she works with Jovan as boss, they are not allowed to communicate at work. However, another girl **Milena** is a believer, so in spite of being mocked for their faith, they write Bible verses and prayer requests down and pass them to each other as a means of encouragement.



One of the meetings where David preached in Bitola was so packed they ran completely out of chairs, so that is not a bad complaint. It seems the more opposition to the Gospel, the more the Lord brings interested people along.

Lydia & Mile's little boy **Jovan** was born by C-section in September and we were able to help them by bringing a good deal of baby clothes. Many in Bitola and Gevgelija will be rejoicing for this young couple. When traveling to **Skopje**, we have not only brought much needed medical supplies and literature but David has tak-

en part in services challenging and encouraging the believers. Attempts are constantly being made to reach out to the needy through the existing fellowships and we ask that you continue to remember those who are in leadership in those places.

Intercessory Information

Many of you have been praying about **Pastor Zoran's father in Gevgelija** and we are glad to report that a few days after our prayer letter went out his body was found. It seems he either got lost in bad weather or took ill as he tried to reach the road, and ended up in a completely different area than the police were searching. His body was found only yards from the road, where he had taken his shoes off and sat down. No foul play is suspected, it seems a heart attack was responsible for his death and although missing for two months, the family were relieved that he was not eaten by animals. Having closure allows the family to grieve properly and alleviates the situation. Zoran & Hilda send their personal thanks to those who prayed.

Ethan & Jan have had to return to the US for some time as Jan's mother is in the terminal stage of cancer in her liver, lungs and brain. Thankfully Jan's parents are believers but please pray very definitely for the family at this time. Also we were delighted to hear that **Olive Wilson** will return to Bitola indefinitely and live temporarily in Ethan and Jan's apartment. This is a huge answer to prayer for the believers who have been asking the Lord very specifically for her return. Please pray as she gets back in to the work there that the Lord will use her and guide her daily. This will especially make a big difference while we are gone over these next months.



Ongoing Opportunities

Openings for preaching continue here in Greece with the **Old peoples home and the Youth meeting** from the local Evangelical church being the most frequent services. One lovely experience was when two young girls **Rosalie & Elena**, from the church were baptized by immersion in the Aegean sea on August 31st. **Pastor Ilias** also had David preaching for him to allow him to travel to a series of meetings.

The family of the little boy with **demonic oppression**, have informed us several times that he is doing very much better since he has been prayed for and we ask you to continue praying for the family. His mother has made a

commitment to the Lord and his father admits to not being ready for that yet.

Interested Individuals

The **Calendar outreach** is always a time which David enjoys immensely and as we are in USA in Dec this is well underway. Response is very good and in most places there are good conversations. One lady challenged David with the words, 'So are you telling me I am lost?' What could he say but, 'You have never given me any grounds to believe otherwise.' Silence – then, 'Yes, you are right, I am lost?' and that admission before all her colleagues at work. There followed 15 minutes of explaining the simple Gospel. Please pray for **Roula** that the



she will understand and accept the truth. Please pray that opportunities given will become possibilities for God to speak to needy hearts and that some of these people, who have become special friends, will come to know the greatest relationship of all. Remember, God has at least **365 opportunities to speak to them** as they read these daily messages. How encouraging it is when people show us the calendar and the pages are torn off to the right day, or they ask a question about a particular point.

Sad Situation

Recently, we took our guests to **church in Thessaloniki** as well as to walk round the city in the afternoon. While passing a block of flats we saw a motorbike which had been damaged and then realized there was a body lying beside it. It turned out a lady in her 60's had jumped to her death from the block of flats, hitting the bike on the way down. No one seemed to know who she was or anything about her and it brought home more clearly the desperate situations so may find themselves in which would drive them to this act. What tragedy or pathway was so hopeless that this was her preferred option? Yes, we live in a world of lost people, many of them with hurts and burdens they can never share. Please pray with us as we seek to reach out with the message of hope before it is too late.

Prevailing Prayer

Last time we asked you to pray for our upcoming visa renewal, and we know for sure you did as we now no longer have to apply every five years, having been granted **lifetime residence permits for Greece**. Since we didn't even ask for them, and in the light of how Evangelicals and missionaries in particular are being treated here at times,