



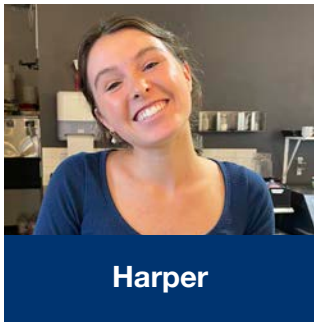
Dear Caring Friends and Family,

Since we sent out our last information brochure, only by email and on the website [sorry to the snail-mail people], three months have passed, and we are still patiently waiting, [while champing at the bit], for word on our visa situation. We are following the rule of law for any British person who needs to be here longer than three months, and we are immensely grateful for your continued prayers and support throughout this difficult year. Although this is not primarily what we had hoped to be doing, it is exactly what we need to be doing right now!! We didn't think it would take so long, but our Sovereign God certainly did! He is never taken by surprise and has opened doors of ministry right here, where we are, in the meantime. It has been a privilege to help hurting people whom we probably would never have met otherwise! We have had opportunities for evangelism, to visit the lonely, sick and grieving – and we have seen many positive changes. Our job is to be Salt and Light here, until the possibility of returning to the field opens up. But, we are intending to go back, DV.

Some of you enjoyed **Jon Marc's report** on his Ukrainian ministry trip. If you didn't get the opportunity to read it, it is available on our website. One man recently shared that Jon Marc's counselling skills had really helped him after many years of failure in his life!!

On September 10th, we celebrated 49 years of marriage, remembering that on this day 13 years before, David's mum was called home. This date was also 'a day in infamy', as Charlie Kirk [31], was assassinated in Utah. His grieving wife Erika, has stepped up to lead Turning Point USA, a daunting task for which she will need good people around her and a lot of prayer.

Several months ago, we met a couple of young ladies who were serving in a coffee shop. In time, this meeting gave us an opportunity to speak at a service predominantly for young folks, arranged by **Zoe** one of the girls. When we next met we discovered Zoe had visited another young missionary working in Greece. A few weeks later we went to leave a message for Zoe, who wasn't working that day. Suddenly, the new barista asked, 'Are you that Greek man?' 'No, I am Irish, but I work in Greece,' was his answer. 'Oh, I have been praying for weeks to meet you, I had been working in Greece for 8 months.' This was **Harper** (photo), who had met up with several of our young Greek friends, whom David had been teaching Bible to for years, and who are now in Athens Bible College. She wants us to pray about her serving for a longer period with the Greater Europe Mission in Berlin.



Harper



Alan Gibson



September Team

This has been a year of profound personal loss to us, not only of our **eldest son Bryan**, but of so many of our faithful friends and supporters. We did let some of you know of the passing of **Linda Taggart**, who was responsible for our Prayer Letter distribution and a good friend since Bible college days. In early September, **Alan Gibson** who, with his first wife Janet, was not only one of our dearest friends, but also founding members of Mizpah Outreach, died as a result of an accident. **Pastor Don Rice**, who was a missionary for years in both Hungary and England before answering the call to pastor New Hope Baptist church, where David has so often preached, passed away just a few months after his dear **wife Mary**. Bill & Marylou Wegert, who have been friends from our kids were in college, lost their dear daughter recently, as a result of neglect and malpractice from the hospital here in Lynchburg. This month, we heard of the passing of **Gabor Draskosky** (pictured next) from Budapest. Gabor and Kati and their family worked with us through the Communist years and many years following. We were very close friends and we are thankful for having had each of these people in our lives. There have been others, and we know that as we age, many more are going home to Glory. Please continue to pray for the families left behind, as they grieve and come to terms with their loss.



Iain's BBQ Event



Nora and Davy



Jon Marc, Ashley, and Carys



Allyn in Burundi



Jackson

One weekend, a group of **Bryan's friends from college days** came from various states to spend time with us. They were a close-knit group and as they reminisced, it was sometimes hilarious, sometimes tearful, but joyful throughout, with 1 common thread coming through: Each one testified to Bryan, supporting, encouraging and leading them, without which, they would have had difficulty getting through their courses. What a privilege it was for us to hear!



We have been helping **Iain**, with some of the events he organizes for the church: Men's conferences, Ladies conferences, Bill Gaither concert, etc. He also runs the biggest Evangelistic BBQ on the East Coast, primarily for hunters etc., who don't normally attend church. We were helping to serve there and were excited to see that 102 people professed Faith in Christ on that day. What a joy?

David is also helping another pastor, who has been ill and required three surgeries. He is now on the recovering, but that is proving to be much slower than previously expected. David helps with the Sunday and midweek services at this inner-city church, as well as visiting and bringing him to the Veterans hospital for his treatments.

Recently, we had the delightful experience of having **Nora and Davy**, [Wilma's sister and brother in law] over for a couple of weeks. It was a treasured time of fun and food, as we travelled around looking at sights here and in DC. Please pray for Davy's brother, who is critically ill with end-stage cancer.

Ashley, Jon Marc's wife was T-boned while driving and heavily pregnant. She was bruised when the air bags went off, but after a night in hospital, was allowed home. The vehicle was written off, but Jon Marc soon replaced it with something equally suitable. On November 17, we had the joy of welcoming a beautiful little girl, **Carys Bryan**, into the family, making 11 kids for Jon Marc and 22 grandkids for us.

Allyn has travelled extensively in the past 6 months of this year, since he had to stay closer to home during Bryan's latter months. He just recently returned from South Sudan, Burundi, Ethiopia and Kenya, in his work as Chief Operating Officer of World Help. It continues to be a challenging time for them as one crisis after another across the globe clamours for their attention. We are grateful for those generous supporters who make his work possible, but are always glad when he sets foot back on safe soil.

Bryan's eldest son, Jackson, is still living with us. His outdoor job was proving very difficult as he was either out in scorching sun all day or eaten by insects, having to cut his way through bushes and branches etc, so he got himself another job washing and grooming dogs and other animals. He thoroughly enjoys this work and is attending church and youth group every week. He has enlisted to join the army in 2026, but for now, we are caring for him, at least until we get our visa.

We are very thankful to have had very good health considering the length of time we have been in harness. David did have a cracked rib a few months ago, but it seems to have healed up now. We continue visiting contacts in their homes, senior residences and hospitals, and have seen the Lord's hand on these visits. It's always great to hear from our partners in **Greece and North Macedonia**. In the latest report, one of the refugees has found Jesus as Saviour. We appreciate the reports and calls keeping us updated, and especially that we have been able to keep financing this work in our

absence. Please continue to pray for the work going on over there and that our partners won't 'weary from well-doing'. Pray regarding the Calendar outreach this year. We haven't given up hope of being there, but if not, then the young folks with Christina & Kostas leading them will try to do the addresses David has.

Recently, David had a fun time meeting up with Edwin Poots, Johnny Buckley and Ian Paisley Jr, who were visiting Liberty University. It was good to get the **Irish contingency** all together!!

Let us close with a lovely story of God's Grace:

Some years ago, while in a campsite in Edinburgh, we met a young German woman, **Jenny**, travelling through Scotland with her dog, Binsley. We spent hours talking through Bible stories and testifying; she spent additional hours studying David's books and Bible alone. Just a few days ago she telephoned to tell us she was Born-Again, saved and in a good fellowship. We were ecstatic and even happier when she called back asking David to baptize her, on his next trip through Germany.

Thank you for your ongoing love, prayers and support. Meantime, our prayer letter will be sent out by Martin & Sharon Bell whose address is on here. May we take this opportunity to wish you a very blessed Christmas and New Year.

Delighted in His Service. Your servants for Christ,

David & Wilma



Jenny

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