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God's People In Action

Happy New Year! Thank you to those of you who have been faithfully supporting the work in France to North Africans. May the Lord return blessings to you 1000 times! Thank you for helping us envision, train, send and serve teams among unreached Muslim peoples!

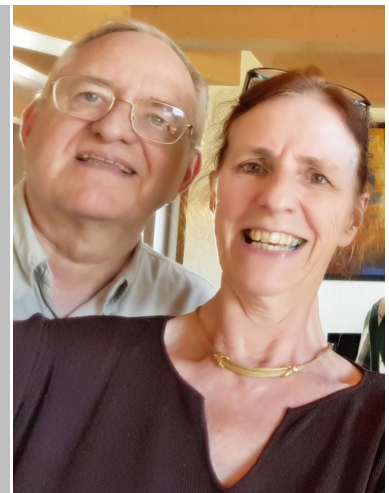
But I can't hold it back for another minute: You have given so helpfully and amazingly that Evey's shoulder surgery on February 10th is now completely paid for. It gives us joy and freedom deep down inside, and thanks again for caring and making the payment for the surgery vanish.



Thank you, each supporter, who has made my travels as a spiritual father possible by your financial generosity. Each month is a miracle to see support from our dearly committed donor friends, without which we could not minister for one single month. Really.

God's unfailing love,

Don and Evey



The year 2020: Not only are we traveling and hosting more due to our leadership roles, but part of our need for support also now includes compensating local partners when they travel to meet with contacts. Heartfelt thanks for each of you who with interest, love, and faithfulness stand with us in our calling! We thank you for all prayer, all gifts, and all encouragement. The Lord always lovingly provides for us and we rejoice that we get to serve in this assignment: To introduce Muslims to Jesus, to lead them to become disciples, and to accompany them in their discipleship.

The year 2020: On the islands of Lesbos and Chios and in Athens there are thousands of refugees in overfilled camps as well as on the streets. They are waiting for papers, or for smugglers to “lead” them deeper into Europe. Much violence, fear, sickness, and hopelessness reigns among them. But there are also positive things: People in these camps sometimes have a dream about Jesus and thus wanting to understand who He is. There are refugees who have had such a strong experience with God that they stay in Greece so that they can tell other refugees about Jesus.

The year 2020: HUNGER FOR THE WORD OF GOD

“The days are coming,” declares the Sovereign Lord, “when I will send a famine through the land—not a famine of food or a thirst for water, but a famine of hearing the words of the Lord.”
Amos 8:11

It is amazing to see how the Lord is fulfilling this promise more and more. In North Africa a Muslim sought the Lord in his homeland. The Spirit of God put such a hunger for the Word of God in his heart that he visited three local churches to hear more about Jesus, on his own initiative. The churches there rejected him because of fear of the secret police. The secret police were sending spies during this time into the churches in Algeria so that they could punish them if the church leaders should speak with Muslims. Disappointed that no one would tell him about Jesus, he suddenly heard a voice:

“Go to Egypt!”

Still the year 2020: The man obeyed and there in Egypt met one of our workers, who told him about Jesus. In his hunger, he accepted the Word of God and read the whole Bible in a short time. (I’m convicted that I need to also read the Bible like a famished person for God’s word. Join me.) He marked many Bible verses in various colors so that he could find what he had learned more quickly. He remained for many months in Egypt and grew as a disciple. Later he had the opportunity to go to Europe as a refugee. He turned down this opportunity, however, and instead went back to his homeland to share the Gospel with his people. At the training event in North Africa, he had already planted five house churches.

Year 2020: Depending on the source, it is estimated that there are still approximately 7000 people groups which have not been reached with the Gospel—among these many Muslim peoples! Several groups have gotten together to specifically ask the Lord to send workers to these people groups. Here are two selected possibilities:

1.) Some set the alarm on their cell phone for 10:02 (see Luke 10:2) and pray daily, briefly, for more workers in the harvest.

2.) Later in the year a team will travel to several unreached regions to pray and fast on location, that God will soon visit these people groups with His salvation.

Generations have often set themselves the task to completely reach the world with the good news about Jesus. Today we are closer to this goal than ever before. But there is still much work to do! We simply want to invite you to participate and through prayer and fasting to have a part in fulfilling the Great Commission world-wide. Choose one of the two options and get involved: Every Christian is called to participate in world mission. This is your opportunity to begin 2020 like this!

There is great hunger for God's Word among displaced, refugee, Muslim people! With you, together, we function as a strong team.

Don and Evey

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