

How Open Should Our Homes Be?

From Adar David's (WMM secretory):

ONE THING WHICH HAS BEEN ON MY HEART is that it seems very hard to find any Home willing to take care of, or take in, a sheep begging for some training to be a missionary. He has gotten saved & filled thru' the mail, loves the Letters & has begged to stay in one of our Homes for training for a period of time.

THE VS'S OF SPAIN & PORTUGAL ASKED EVERY SINGLE HOME if they would mind taking him in for 3 mos., on a trial period, to see what he was like & to teach him to witness, as well as to give him the fellowship he so sorely needs.

BUT NO ONE, AS THE KQL JUST WROTE ME, WAS "WILLING" to take him in Spain because most kids say they don't have faith for someone they didn't win or know. Sorry we couldn't help more but you know it's all up to the kids now!

THIS BOY WROTE DIRECTLY TO THE VS'S, after they replied to him that no Home was available for him: "Now let's face the facts, I think I have been patient long enough as regards to the training. How long will it take to find me a home. Since 2 years I have been asking for it. I have a strong faith in the Lord, but I feel the training is for the white man only."

THIS BOY REALLY DOES MEAN BUSINESS as last year he travelled all the way to the bush to find the Family at the address the Family had told me to give to him, but when he got there they had left & no one

Family Forum



Family members tell what's on their heart!

so many—nearly all—our Homes are now full of small children & barely able to make it themselves without any added burdens, particularly someone they don't know & haven't even met.

WE DO HAVE A NEED FOR SOME OPEN HOMES where visitors can come for fellowship & feeding, as we used to. However, under present conditions these would almost have to be supported by other Homes to make it, as most are having a struggle to survive!

PERHAPS SOME HOMES COULD VOLUNTEER FOR THIS, & others to support them. We could suggest it to those who'd like to help.

HOWEVER, IT WAS OUR SAD EXPERIENCE in the Soul Clinic's free schools that many blacks now think the world owes them a living, & merely want to get out of their own country & its hard life to loaf in the affluent society while someone else supports them!—Sorry, but that's a fact! We know!—We tried it!—Some even wanted us to pay their fare!

—AND WHEN THEY GOT TO SCHOOL, THEY DIDN'T WANT TO WASH DISHES, mop floors or clean toilets!—Just wanted to sit in classes or meetings all day—& sometimes preferred to stay in bed!

OUR EXPERIENCE WITH THEM HAS NOT BEEN ENCOURAGING. We still have some writing us to support them in their own country! The fact is, many were spoiled by church missionaries who paid their converts! Nigeria is full of churches & Christians!—And a good field for them right there!—And ML's are good training!

SO I'D BEWARE OF SUCH! Some asked constantly for Bibles, until we found that

Bible paper makes good cigarette paper!—You have a tender heart, but once you've been burned it's hard to trust them again when they're so prone to deceive the tenderhearted!—Sorry, but I've learned by sad experience not to have much faith in some people!—Love,—D.)

"TO COMMUNICATE FORGET NOT!"

From Peter & Rosie; Far East:

THREE MONTHS AGO I REPLIED TO AN AD IN THE FN from Holland saying they had spare suits & trousers if anyone wanted some. That

would be a tremendous blessing as good clothing is very hard to come by out here & would be ideal for drop-in work I want to do.

WELL, IT'S BEEN 3 MONTHS & STILL NO REPLY! It's not the fact that I got a negative reply that bothers me but the fact they just didn't bother to write at all! Couldn't they at least have sent a postcard to say they were out of trousers? In the world, business organizations are prompt & efficient in answering enquiries—how much more should we be so?

ALSO WE ARE IN A VERY CLOSED COUNTRY where all the 7 Supporters are quite

limited. We wrote up a good prayerletter with testimonies & made 50 copies, sending some to Family members we know personally but most to addresses of Homes in the West we got out of the FN.

NOW 3 MONTHS LATER we have received only 5 replies—that's a 1 in 10 rate! I have been in Homes in both the West & East & I really feel the Western Homes should be helping out the Eastern ones a bit more. Even a little bit goes a long long way out here! SO MY HEART'S CRY is that the Family be more faithful in answering letters, & in particular heeding the cry of the poor! Love, Peter & Rosie.



THE CAMPING SERIES:

Lots of inspiring "we're doing it" testimonies began to roll in, from sleeping-beggars to caravanning families! Couples with children are making caravan "tours" with their singing children, & an especially inspiring account of a "rocking out" litnessing push was made by 2 brothers who grabbed their bedrolls & spent 2 weeks on the road distributing 4000 pieces of lit, winning 100 souls

& bringing in \$1600 in funds! And someone who had made an overland camping trip to India twice sent in lots of tips & even some great "one pot meals"! (See page 31)

"NO LIT NO LETTERS" received thanks from many as they hit the streets again! One couple wrote how they had just been praying about the many problems that were just tumbling about them & the Lord showed them they hadn't been litnessing enough, just as the Letter arrived, & sure enough, the greater amount of lit they got out, the greater the blessings became! Many apologies for slacking off in this area are coming in with pledges to do better from now on.

"QUESTIONS FROM THE FIELD": Dad is still receiving thanks for this one, with testimonies of how the clarifications in these Letters were a blessing.

THE IRF'ERS ARE SENDING SUCH PRECIOUS LETTERS OF THANKS for the IRF, & it's also so inspiring to

hear from some of those "old timers" who are jumping back on the bandwagon again!

PERSONAL MAIL MINISTRIES seem to be bearing much fruit, & more & more of our Family members are starting MM's of their own.

BEAUTIFUL BIRTH TESTIMONIES were numerous this month, as also were the always continual thanks for the Dito & Tech Letters with many requests for more, more, more! Special advice asked on disciplining 5-year-olds.

BRAVE PIONEERS still going on to new mission fields, esp. from U.S. to S. America. Thankful response to "Go Ye" beginning to roll in!

IN GENERAL, LETTERS TO M&M OVERALL were sweet letters of love & inspiring testimonies of how the Words are truly working wonders as they become the leaders at last & are being lived more than ever. Many have mentioned how much they like the new Magazines (DAD: A dream come true!)

FAMILY NEWS -BY- YOU & ME!

No Home But Heaven!

Travelling & Camping Across Europe!

From Adam & Patience, now in Austria:

BEFORE LAUNCHING OUT TO ASIA, we decided to go thru' Europe to "try our wings". We left it in the Lord's hands to lead us to what He wanted us to do & where He wanted us to end up, & He surely has! PTL!—And still is, as we don't know what will be the outcome in the future until He shows us!

IN ORDER TO BE MOBILE with our family of 6, the Lord showed us last winter to take the extra time & expense of getting a driver's license & vehicle, which has really paid off now. The Lord led us to a nice second-hand VW van which we arranged inside in a simple way so we can change the seats to a bed at night, sleeping all 6 of us.

WE ALSO HAVE A TENT, but usually found the car easier & warmer, so we used that most of the time, as we could stop anywhere along the road or near a park & just close the curtains & go to sleep.

WE STARTED OUR JOURNEY IN THE MIDDLE OF SUMMER from Sweden, first travelling around Scandinavia to visit friends & contacts & litnessing to raise some funds, which we converted to traveler's cheques to hold in reserve. (This later came in very handy in securing a flat.)

AFTER ONE BORDER HASSLE in Norway in which



Patience & children in their van—Jonas-7, Rubin-6, Eleonora-3½ & Emmanuel-1½. Photo by Adam.

they checked thru' all our things & asked about our distribution lit (it is legal to distribute in Scandinavia so they could do nothing about it), we went thru' all our things keeping only the most essential security items scattered throughout our luggage. Now whenever we near a border, we dress up a bit & get our passports ready, & as a result we've had no more problems & all have been very friendly.

IN GERMANY THE LORD STOPPED US for several days as the children got sick throwing up. It really made us desperate as it is hard to clean up & wash in our small facilities! But it was all the Lord's plan as it gave us a chance to talk with the VS's who told us a bit about various countries, & the Lord showed us clearly to

go to Austria & pioneer a certain city there. So we continued on our way thru' Netherlands, Belgium & France.

DURING OUR TRIP, OUR DAY-TO-DAY EXPENSES were supplied mostly by our singing ministry with the children & thru' provisioning & mail. It amazed us how the Lord opened doors & led us to helpful people even in old "worn-out" fields where the brethren have left or gone underground, like in Germany!

SINGING WITH THE CHILDREN ALWAYS BORE FRUIT in souls saved, friends won & needs met. Almost every time after we sang somebody would come up & talk to us. On one occasion an American man came up & asked if we were Christians & said, "That's a good testimony to

"A world of good news!"

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WE SAW HOW THE LORD ALWAYS REWARDS IT if we just take a step & try to be a testimony with the children, in whatever way possible. And the few times the singing didn't go smoothly the Lord used it to humble us & teach us it's only Him or make us desperate. LIVING LIKE THIS ON THE ROAD in foreign countries with all our little ones really is good to make you des-

perate because so many times the only thing you have is the Lord & the promises in His Word. Also being out alone like this has made us dig up our buried talents & get on the ball singing & provisioning & disciplining both our own lives & the children's. It makes us seek the spiritual more, being strangers & pilgrims seeking a better country.

WE WERE LOOKING FOR A COUNTRY, a place to set-

tle down for a while, at least over the winter, & for Jonas our oldest to go to school. Even tho' the Lord provided it, He reminded us when we were searching for a flat that we needed to look first of all for the "everlasting habitations" for the "city that hath foundations". That's how we felt many times while travelling, no home except Heaven!

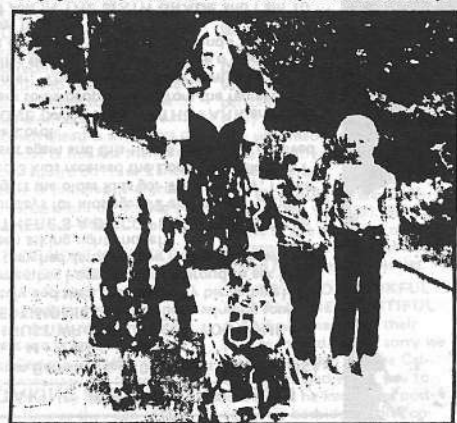
WHEN WE FINALLY ARRIVED AT OUR DESTINATION in Austria it was the end of September & starting to get cold & poured down rain for 3 or 4 days straight. It was then that we got Magazine No. 5 in the mail & read in "Have Faith Will Camp" part 4: "Sometimes it can be hard & sometimes you might even feel like it's almost unbearable & unendurable, but you still survive!" That was encouraging because it fit exactly our situation.

AT THIS POINT OUR FAITH STARTED TO WAVER & even tho' the Lord had told us before to pioneer this city, we started wondering if we should maybe return to Sweden for the winter. We prayed desperately & got "beaten paths are for beaten men but the mountain peaks are for the mighty". Honestly we felt pretty "beaten" but prayed that by His Grace He would give us the strength. We got encouraged by His Word & set a deadline for the Lord to supply a flat within one week. Later in the week we started to doubt again & were considering going back home when the Lord let the clutch pedal break & stop us in our tracks so we could go nowhere! PTL!

ON THE 7TH DAY THE LORD SUPPLIED OUR NEED—part of a summer house owned by an architect



Singing their way across Europe! What a way to witness as a family!



Mommy & kids on their way out singing—the pretty matching outfits are a nice ideal! Photo by Adam.