

with the pick-ups, moving & practical work.

NOT LONG AFTER WE STARTED PROVISIONING, the Lord miraculously provided a beautiful farm not far from all the Homes with a big field, big garden, fruit trees, heating & cooking possibilities using wood & coal etc.—Just what we had asked Him for, PTL!

SINCE THEN MANY BROTHERS & SISTERS HAVE COME OUT to help with the different work around the house & it's wonderful to see how this project is uniting us all so much more. The Homes are continuing to help financially & otherwise & we even received the help of another provisioner.

The list of provisioned items we have received so far would be too big to mention here, but the Lord has supplied for many people in just 2½ months.

WE FEEL SO FULFILLED AS WE GET THIS PLACEREADY for others & it inspires us to have a place of refuge for all the caravanners, Homes in the city etc. But we couldn't do it alone & it truly takes a united effort of all those concerned working together, & it's so good to see how most everybody is so willing to help & work together. We love you all & hope you have a happy & united "getting ready" too! Much love, Bruno & Maria.

Camping & Survival Queries & Tips!

Taken from the Monthly TRF Reports

"SUGGESTION FOR THOSE BUYING CARAVANS: Get a caravan that is built solidly if possible with the insulation of styrofoam or fiberglass in a frame. Also look carefully if the chassis is galvanised & that the suspension is not made of rubber but with blades or rods

of torsion & that there is a minimum of 4 cross bars. You might buy magazines on caravans so you can get familiar with the characteristics of caravans & different makes."

—Lazare & Phoenix.

"A COUPLE IN THE MIDEAST HAD A QUESTION: 'Does Dad have any counsel about the Gulf Homes being in this potential war zone? Our feeling is that if we need to flee in the future, Dad will warn us as in Iran.' Well, I guess that's his faith but as far as we're concerned we feel the warning's already gone out & anyone still in the Gulf had better be prepared already to stick it out!'"

—Meador CRO.

"CARAVANING TIP FOR U.S.A.: Cars equipped with 'EZ Hitches' (\$400) can pull the heavier American trailers when coupled with good shocks & transmission cooler."

—Kalliah & Shiza; U.S.A.

"FOR A MAP OF U.S. NUCLEAR TARGETS you can write to War Resisters League, 339 Lafayette St., New York, N.Y. 10012, U.S.A. These maps include the radiation & fallout area around each expected location of bombing. It is very legitimate information & will be extremely useful to chart a 'safe' course out."

—Isaac & Promise; U.S.A.

"A USEFUL ITEM FOR SURVIVAL MIGHT BE VITAMIN E in large amounts, especially in areas where radiation could be a threat. Adelle Davis says, 'Cancers produced in animals by exposing them to x-rays or forms of radiation simulating fallout can be completely prevented by giving Vitamin E.' She also said Vitamin C is important."

—Purim & Krista; U.S.A.

"AS PART OF OUR SURVIVAL NEEDS WE'RE GOING TO

INVEST IN A DEHYDRATING OVEN. With one of these ovens you can dehydrate tons of your own food at a big savings. A friend of ours let us taste a sample of his home-dried strawberries & they were really good. Our guide to doing our own is a publication called 'Food Drying at Home the Natural Way' by Bee Beyer. Montgomery Wards has an oven called 'Harvest Maid' for about \$80."

—Charles & Lotti; U.S.A.

"WHEN OUR CAR GOT STUCK IN THE MUD we used a 2x4 board as a lever. Simple! We found that the old 'Boy Scout Manual' is proving to be a great survival & first aid handbook!"

—Zimram & Mercy; U.S.A.

"ONE ITEM TO INCLUDE ON A SURVIVAL LIST OF SUPPLIES IS RAT POISON. Of course much caution must be used in storing & use, especially with children around, but mice & rats always move in on winter supplies. A good cat is also a good idea as well. I haven't seen these items on the survival lists in the Letters or FN."

—Carl; Canada.

"ANYONE FINDING A GOOD QUALITY RELIABLE GEIGER COUNTER at a reasonable price, please forward the info to the FN for publication. Also any additional info on nuclear civil defense measures not already published in the Mag. Thanks."

—Eli & Naomi; Mideast.

"THE LORD ALLOWED A NYLON TENT TO BE STOLEN from us at one of our previous sites, teaching me not to grow slack with things I should appreciate as assets by considering them indispensable."

—Joseph & Hall; U.S.A.

SURVIVAL ITEM: "SILK SPONGES work well as sanitary tampons for women's menses. I've even seen sanitary sponges sold in some pharmacies.

Miracle Visas!

For a pioneering family in South America!

From Boaz & Kidron; S. America:

WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR ALL THE MIRACLES the Lord has done over the past few months to enable us to move from one field to another here in South America with our little family of (now) 6 children, PTL! We wanted to share our testimony at this time to encourage other brethren, especially large families!

ABOUT 8 MONTHS AGO WHILE STILL IN BOLIVIA we began praying desperately for the Lord to show us His will for us. Many of our doors there seemed to be closing—The television show on which our children had been singing bi-weekly was suspended, & altho' they wanted us to continue singing on a new show they were planning, it kept getting postponed. Also our 6 months of rent-free housing were coming to an end & we had nowhere to move to nor sufficient funds to afford to rent a place. And with 5 children & 1 on the way we were having to evaluate our situation.

WE HAD A BURDEN TO RETURN TO ANOTHER COUNTRY where we had spent a month prior to the RNR & had seen it was a very potential field for a children's singing ministry as well as a mobile ministry.

A FEW DAYS LATER THERE WAS A COUP IN BOLIVIA followed by a week of confusion with everything closed down, soldiers & tanks everywhere, shootings in the streets & threat of civil war. We talked to my parents by telephone & mentioned our desire to go to another country, & the following night my father called to say they had sent tickets for us all to our destination, GBH! Two weeks later



Isaac-7, Rosie-4 & Sammy-6, singing for Jesus & lost souls! Photo by Jon.

we were ready to leave. We had written a letter to some brethren there explaining our burden & asking if it would be possible for us to stay with them upon arrival until we got settled. At the very last minute a telegram from them arrived saying "come", accompanied by their phone number, Hallelujah!

WE ARRIVED IN OUR PRESENT FIELD A MONTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS & launched into a full-time ministry of singing & witnessing with the children, mainly in restaurants & shopping centres. The Lord added 2 on-fire little girls to our singing group, the daughters of a couple who opened their Home to us. One day we sang in a textile store & the owner gave us enough material of our choice to make matching singing dresses for all the girls. On Christmas Day the children were able to do a show in a hospital, winning souls & distributing literature.

AS TIME WENT ON WE BEGAN TO PRAY ABOUT GETTING MORE PERMANENT VISAS to enable us to stay here. You can stay a maximum of 6 months as a tourist, renewing

your visa each month, after which you need to leave the country. In the past we would have left the country & re-entered again as tourists, but we were finding it increasingly difficult & expensive to travel with 5 children & one on the way, & they warned us also that the borders were tightening up considerably in an effort to keep out foreigners trying to come in to work.

WE WERE TOLD THAT WE WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO RE-ENTER AS TOURISTS. When we enquired about getting a long-term visa, we were told that it was extremely difficult to get but the fact that I was expecting a baby was the key, as according to their laws they have to let you stay if you have a child here. The advice we received was: Wait until the baby is born & then go apply for the visa.

THE BABY ARRIVED UNEXPECTEDLY A MONTH EARLY, but thank the Lord was healthy, a beautiful little girl. However when we went to register her they refused saying that a new law had been passed that only babies born to parents who were "residents" of the country could be registered as nationals.

WELL, "IT TAKES AN IMPOSSIBLE SITUATION FOR GOD TO DO A MIRACLE" & thank God He did the seemingly impossible as a few days later we were singing with the children & witnessing at a birthday party in the home of our new neighbours. When they found out about our problem they said, "Don't worry, we can help you." It turned out that the mother is the head of all the birth registry offices in town & a few days later she got our baby registered as a national & we had the birth certificate, TYJ!

FAMILY FORUM: When Is A Closed Country Not Closed?!

From Cyprus & Riphath; S.A.: Dear Dad & Maria,

WE'RE WRITING BECAUSE WE HAVE A QUESTION concerning our field here. We arrived in this country about 14 months ago. We had been informed that it was a "drop-in closed field" where we would have to take jobs for cover & support. We understood this & hoped that we would be able to FF & witness despite the closed conditions.

AS SOON AS WE ARRIVED RIPHATH WAS ABLE TO GET WORK QUITE EASILY teaching English & we also were able to get temporary resident work visas. Soon, however, Riphath found himself working full-time & I was pretty much staying home full-time with the housework, laundry & baby. When we arrived, the other Homes were doing basically the same thing.

GRADUALLY WE BECAME QUITE "FRUSTRATED" at our lack of fruitfulness here, especially when time is so short. Riphath felt he was wasting so much time teaching English, thru' which he could only occasionally witness in a conversation class.

WE BEGAN TO PRINT VERY SELAH LITTLE SALVATION TRACTS to pass out door-to-door, sticking them under apt. doors & passing them out in parks. When summer came & school was out we were all more free to witness since there were very few English classes.

ONE HOME OF 3 ADULTS HIT THE ROAD for a month camping out, witnessing, passing out lit, winning souls & singing on the radio. Another Home started witnessing shop-to-shop.

We & another Home put up a soul chart & by going out to parks daily, passing out lit & witnessing the Lord gave us over 200 souls in a month. It seemed the more we did the more we saw we could do & the more we felt we had been working in the system too much! We never had one bad incident or run-in with the authorities.

WE WERE ESPECIALLY CONVICTED WHEN WE SAW OTHER RELIGIOUS GROUPS openly passing out their lit & wares. One North American Mormon missionary recently told us that this is the most fruitful field for the Mormon Church in the whole world & that they win an average of 2,000 new converts per month here.

ONE SUNDAY AFTERNOON WE WENT TO A LARGE PARK to witness & pass out lit in a "selah" way. There we saw the "evangelists" passing out tracts & shooting without shirk. By the time we left the park everyone of the 1000's of people there had a tract from them. We felt like we had been crawling across the ice on all fours when we suddenly saw a team of horses pulling a load of pig iron across the same ice!

EACH TIME WE TOOK ANOTHER STEP towards greater, more open witnessing, your Letters would come right along & confirm what the Lord had been showing us. "Some of you are still so paranoid of a little persecution that you are hardly doing any witnessing at all! You are neglecting the Word of God, failing to go into all the world to preach the Gospel to every creature" & finding it easier, safer & more lucrative to support yourself with a system job. So

watch out! God has ways of spanking you for your failure to witness & witness His Word, & you may find your System job is not as safe & easy as you thought it was doing to be, & may cost you more than it pays, if it compromises your testimony & reduces your witness!"

("No Lit—No Letters!"; 5,6.)

WE REALISE, DAD, THAT THIS IS A POLICE STATE & there is risk involved. But we believe the Lord can protect us if we are "wise" & "harmless".

OUR QUESTION, DAD, IS NOT SO MUCH WHETHER YOU BELIEVE WE SHOULD LITNESS or openly witness in this country—because I believe the answer would be that it is according to our faith. But if other Homes do not have the faith to litness etc., then perhaps for them it would be a sin to do so. It is just that they continually spread their doubts & fears & fearful dreams which has created a great hindering spirit here.

WE HAVE ALREADY GIVEN UP OUR LITTLE HOUSE & are getting rid of our English classes & we should be free to hit the road to live by faith in a couple of weeks. We want to hit the smaller cities where the Family has never been before, & we plan to support ourselves by litnessing DTD.

WE FEEL YOU'VE ALREADY GIVEN ALL THE ANSWERS we need in the Letters. We believe that the best thing we can do is just step out by faith & serve the Lord, but we also felt that a word from you would be a blessing. Perhaps there are other fields or Homes that are going thru' the same trials. WLY & will try to do our best to serve you & the Lord. Love, Cyprus & Riphath.

(Amen! Step out by faith! According to your faith be it done unto you! Thank God for wise & obedient fighters!—Dad.)

Spanish Portuguese LIM

PRODUCTS & PROGRESS!
Basic Course & Book! Quotebooks! 365 Homes!

From Dave & Carmen; KOL:

WE WANTED TO SHARE WITH ALL OUR PRECIOUS FAMILY the wonderful & mighty things God is doing for us thru' the Spanish-Portuguese LIM (Local-language Indigenous Mail-ministry). It's truly grown much larger than our original vision, fulfilling Jeremiah 33:3 —"Call unto Me, & I will answer thee & show thee great & mighty things, which thou knowest not."

SOME VERSES WHICH HAVE HELPED US, convicted us & motivated us are John 21:15-17 where Jesus asked Peter 3 times if he loved Him & each time told Peter to "feed My sheep!" We consider it a priceless privilege to be able to have a part in doing just that, for as Dad said:

"I WOULD EXPECT IT WOULD PROBABLY GROW TO BE THE LARGEST MAIL MINISTRY next to English, as Spanish is spoken in more countries by more people than any other language, except of course English & Chinese." It took our prophet's words to get us on the move.

"YOU'RE MISSING THE BOAT BY NOT GOING TO WORK ON TRANSLATING THE FAMILY NEWS & CHILD-CARE LETTERS & other publications & making IRF offers to the Spanish speakers who read Spanish only." "There are so many who want the Word: Backsliders, homegoers, furlough-

ers, friends & all the little folks who'd had to drop-in & who are no longer full-time missionaries but still want to get the Letters & the literature. So, I think that all you language areas that are neglecting a mail ministry are missing the boat..." "If you are going to be faithful to the Lord & the 'Birthday Warning' & God's promises for proclaiming the Word, the Lord is going to be faithful to you & more than support you, so you are just going to have to get busy & get on the ball & do it!" (Letter No. 808.) (Tried & proven!)

WHEN THIS ADMONITION & WARNING CAME OUT late last summer, we really got desperate with the Lord for there was so much to do—we had lagged so far behind! The Lord supplied precious Juan & Victoria from Tenerife to come & help us get the ministry set up & rolling with the first 1000's of test mailings. They did a good work & the Lord really blessed their efforts, but then it became apparent that in many areas we were duplicating efforts with them & that one central ministry could be formed which would handle all Mail Ministry & reporting, both IRF & TRF, as with Letter No. 810 there was now no distinction between "regular" Homes & mail ministry Homes.

OUR MAGS ARE NOW IN THE LARGE FORMAT as in English, with thicker paper covers & yellow pages & full translations & replicas of the English,

& they come out regularly with the English. We try to get out as much of the original material as we possibly can, for we know this is what will feed our sheep the most & help them grow & stay in unity. This is important as we have 118 Homes who receive only Mags from us & not in English. So it's a big responsibility & we don't want to fail them, LHUI!

WE ALSO OFFER A "BASIC COURSE" OF OUR BELIEFS to anyone interested in finding out more about the Family. This Course consists of an introductory letter, "Real Love" booklet, "Out of this World" booklet, "New Life, New Love" booklet, "Daily Might 3", "Family News", a set card of memory verses, "The Endtime Parts I & II", "Love Letters", "Sharing Real Love", "Family News" with an appeal for them to become IRFs, another letter from the LIM, "Fighters" & then the latest DFO Mag, all of this divided up into 4 mailings. This Basic Course is available for a minimum of \$10.

WE ALSO HAVE THE "QUOTEBOOK" available in Spanish which you might be interested in ordering to feed your sheep. Available for the low cost of postage—4 QB for \$1.00, 55 QBs for \$10!

OTHER MUCH NEEDED ITEMS we're working on producing include the "Basic Mo Letters" which have not come out in a book in either language. So far we have come out with a mag entitled "The Basic Letters Part I", in Spanish, containing translations of the following Letters: "The Early Church", "Students Stand Up", "Sex Works", "Dumps", "Glamour or Glory", "Benefits of Backsliding", "Love Never Fails", "Rags to Riches", "Bible in Pictures Part I" & "Revolutionary Education". These are available to all on a