

RUSSIAN PROGRESS!!

RUSSIAN LIT-PIC NEWS!



From the Russian LIT-PIC: Dearest Dad, Maria & Peter, GBY! WLY! WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR INCREASE IN OUR GIFT THIS MONTH! We're thrilled & feel it such an honor just to be able to work on the Words & get them out to the Gospel-destitute Russians. That & your encouragement & actual support just flips us out no end!

IN FACT, THIS INCREASE CAME AT A TRYING TIME when the Lord was putting us to a test of faith as to whether or not we really had the faith to continue full-time working on our Russian Word & Mail Ministry & to trust God to supply all our needs. Dad, every time we've gotten a special gift from you or an increase, it's always come at such a crucial point or time in our lives & ministry!

The Lord certainly does use you in a down-to-earth way to reach directly thru to us with just the right thing at the right time. Actually, the very day that cheque was sent off from W.S. Becky had a dream the same night in which you loved her up & comforted her. In it she asked for a hug & got a whole lot more!

STATS: Since last year when we first decided to put first & work full-time on getting the Words into Russian & out to the Russian-speaking world, the Lord has done so much! He's supplied every need & so much more to help it get going! He's raised up translators, typists, printers—so that we've been able to get translated & put into print nearly 100 Letters & Komix! The Family

themselves have been such a help, many sending us love gifts to keep us going, & many are catching the vision to start reaching the Russians themselves!

WE HAVE A GROWING MAILING LIST OF OVER 220 HOMES who've contacted us to help &/or to receive Russian lit &/or the news/prayer letters we've been getting out, of which we've put out 11 so far. Many of these Homes have received or receive regular mailings of Russian Letters, & more & more people are investigating & pioneering possibilities worldwide to get the lit out to Russian-speaking people! It certainly is a Mark 16:15 vision as the Russians are just about everywhere, & more & more so!

BUT IT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING! We feel this is only a tiny start & a drop in the ocean compared to what's going to be needed to reach this great harvest of over 300 million. So we pray we can grow in faith to be able to accommodate the Lord's mighty moving of which He warned us in "The Birthday Warning". Lord Jesus, it's scary to think of what the Lord can do & wants to do yet!—And if we in the Family, with God's mighty moving & truth of the Words of David, don't do it with the Lord's help then who will?

DAD, WE FEEL LIKE WE ARE PART OF YOUR HEART & HAND reaching into the Russian people with the Lord's love. Especially in the Letters like "Solaris" & "Russian Peace Dream" etc. we can see you making a special effort to reach out & woo & win this nation, not blast & condemn them for their

Godlessness such as the rest of the West does. In fact, the overall attitude in the Letters towards Russia is so pro-Soviet & anti-commercial West that we wouldn't be surprised to see some of the Letters reprinted in the Soviet press! In fact, someone told us they did so with excerpts from "Green Paper Pig" once!

I SAW A ONE-PAGE BULLETIN IN THAT THE KIDS IN RUSSIA CIRCULATE amongst themselves, & one of them had an article about the Family! Many of the youth there are like the vision you saw in "Burn Free" of the multitudes sitting cross-legged in the darkness staring at the Flame as their only hope, TYJ! The Letters are the only message that'll be able to win that country for Jesus!

THE PEOPLE THERE IN GENERAL ARE ACTUALLY A LOT LIKE THE AMERICANS, tho' with a great spiritual vacuum, similar to the American youth when the Revolution began there. They are not really the meek & down-trodden but a real forceful strong people with real labour leader potential (as they are manifesting worldwide in the political realm).

ISAIAH 60 IS A BASIC FOUNDING CHAPTER OF PROMISES which we've gotten several times for the Family's ministry to the Russians & some of which is already being fulfilled. Maybe some of our applications of this chapter are wild (please pinch me if I'm dreaming!) but it's so inspired & thrilled us that we really want to share it.

BRIEFLY GOING OVER THIS CHAPTER in verse 1 we see how the Lord really wants

to use the Family as a real light to the World. Verse 2 depicts the gross darkness falling upon the World in these Last Days, but how the Lord's going to even make us shine brighter, like you mention in "Diamonds of Dust" about the candle. In verse 3 it says the Gentiles shall come to our light (we got this to mean the Russians!) & kings! Verse 5 says it'll really blow our minds & put us in the fear of God what He's going to do: the abundance of the sea converted, the forces of the Gentiles (Russian Gov't?) coming to us! In verses 6-9 we see our present & future with Arabs—Arab friendship & help.

THIS IS REALLY QUITE HEAVY BECAUSE PARTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN VIRTUALLY FULFILLED in our own little ministry here! We've had Arab fish come from the Gulf area (verse 6) bringing "gold & incense" (perfume & gold jewelry for Becky!), & they always fly via British Airways ("ships of Tarshish"—verse 9). Verses 10 & 13 talk about beautiful housing supplied like you've envisioned in "Dreams of Jeremiah 40". This has also been slightly fulfilled for us, as the Lord has miraculously raised up a queen here who has provided for us the most beautiful housing I've ever had in the Family. And both Arabs & Soviets come here! Verse 11: An open ministry with the government & rulers of the coming World Empire?—Like envisioned in "Dreams of Jer. 40", "World Council of Churches", "Islam 2" etc.

VERSE 14: FOR THIS WE GOT THAT WE MAY BE JUST ABOUT THE ONLY AVAILABLE RELIGION LEFT thru which people can find the Lord! All the others will have been wiped out for their resistance to taking the yoke of Babylon as seen in "Old Church New Church". Verse 15 reminds us of how the West & their media have treated us. Verses 16-21—TYJ!—"The Revolution for Jesus is forever!"

"A little one shall become a thousand (this really encouraged us because we're such tiny fools & the Lord has made us into thousands of Russian Mo Letters witnessing all over the World, TYJ!) & a small one a strong nation!" TYJ! "I the Lord will hasten it in his time"—we got from this that when the time comes the Lord's going to do it really quick ly! Wow!

GBY, DADI YOU'RE WITNESSING TO THE WHOLE WORLD! And we're just like one of your little fingernails reaching out to this particular part of the

World. Please keep us in line with your wishes, that we're coordinating rightly with the head & body, WLY! Keep sockin' it to us To make us GO GO GO Keep lighting that Fire Under our posterior To keep moving for Jesus To woo & win their souls!—And we all sing from our hearts: We need you Daddy, oh yes we do! If you're not wid us we're bloooo Oh Daddy, WE LOVE YOU!—The little & small, we're gratefully yours, In Jesus' Name, your Russian LIT-PIC. (GBY! Amen!)

Turkish LIT-PIC NEWS!

From Elis, Freedom & Abner, the Turkish LIT-PIC:

A GREAT VICTORY WAS ABNER, OUR TURKISH TRANSLATOR, BEING GRANTED A 3-MONTH PASSPORT RENEWAL! Time was running out & he faced having to go back to Turkey & straight into the army. The Lord taught us we really had to have appropriating faith for his passport renewal. Shortly before, we met sweet French Marie who very willingly volunteered to legally marry Abner to help sort out his residency. It still seemed that the bureaucratic time factor was an insurmountable mountain in the way. We contacted consulates & officials & a lawyer friend of the Family. Still the contradictory answers we got ended up delaying us even more. We finally realised we needed to get down to desperate prayer. The same principle applied as in "Faith & Healing": "With God's Children who know Him personally & know His Will & His Word, God expects them to touch Him personally, directly & make a direct contact with the Lord not in somebody else's faith or prayers or somebody else's decisions..." (M: 11) With renewed conviction we enrolled him in a language school as a full-time student & his embassy was thus willing to prolong his passport. So now we have a little more time to work out something more permanent! TYJ!

ON THE TURKISH MAIL MINISTRY FRONT WE HAVE EXCITING NEWS! Philippi & Rachel have eagerly accepted the invitation to go & visit the sheep & fruit of the mail ministry in Turkey! They're getting their camper ready from their home base in a nearby country. In a very moving letter they told us they were shaken out of their refuge vision & how they felt such a strong compulsion to go & visit the sheep now while there's still time—maybe the last summer for free travel in Turkey! They both speak the language & were there before. They're planning on a two or three-month trip touring the major cities where the sheep are & gathering more names for the mailing list. We're printing for them a slash tract with "Musical Key" & info on our "Minstrel Club" & reply coupon. THE IDEA OF A "MINSTREL CLUB" advertised in our last LIT is beginning to catch on & we're beginning to receive membership requests. In reply we send them a "Love Is Forever" tape & a translation of the words. —Also a pen pal letter & pretty picture (Freedom!). (More soon!)

Bus Miraculously Provided!

FULFILLED PROMISES HELP FAMILIES GET STARTED IN SOUTH AMERICA!

From Jonathan, Sharon, Alain & Morningstar; S. America: GBY! WLY! WE WANT TO SHARE A COUPLE OF INSPIRING TESTIMONIES with you. A short time ago we were searching for mobile equipment. We had forsaken our caravans & vehicles when we left Europe & wanted to get mobile again here in South America.

WE WERE HAVING DIFFICULTIES finding suitable vehicles, so we got together (we are 2 families living & working together) & prayed desperately, asking the Lord for His directions & provision. He gave us some encouraging scriptures & a prophecy about "bringing the vehicles out of the hidden places." So we went out after prayer, re-inspired & re-visioned.

ON THE WAY TO TOWN WE DISCOVERED THAT THERE WAS A STRIKE & we couldn't catch a bus. But then a truck stopped & gave us all a ride. When it stopped to let everyone out, we were right in front of the VW company. We took it as the Lord wanting us to see if they had a VW bus for sale.

THE SALESMAN SAID THEY HAD ONE which was exactly the price that we had allotted for our vehicle. It was not exactly what we wanted because the engine was small & it was old, but we got a good "witness" on it. When we prayed, the Lord said, "If you go in My love I will strengthen it, & I will uphold it by My grace!" So we took it!

THAT AFTERNOON WE DECIDED TO HAVE A "COME-UNION" & sharing, as we hadn't in so long. We had to take turns sharing & taking care of the 6 children that we have.

WHILE THE SECOND COUPLE WAS MAKING LOVE, a VW bus came driving up to our house honking frantically. It was

the salesman from the Volkswagen company, with a different bus—newer, with a larger engine, & much nicer. A man had come into the company that afternoon at the same hour that we started sharing together, & had traded in the bus. And he was asking the same price that we had paid for the other one.

SO THE VW SALESMAN HAD THOUGHT OF US & OUR KIDS & brought it over—The newer one has plastic seat covers & door liners, etc. (great for kids). We traded papers, keys & buses, & the salesman drove the old one away while we praised the Lord! Isn't God heavy, dropping VWs from the sky!

ANOTHER TESTIMONY WHICH REALLY ENCOURAGED US: When we arrived here in this small city that the Lord had showed us to come to, there was another family here with 6 children who were on their way south. They were waiting for money which was being sent from the States.

TIME DRAGGED ON & THEIR MONEY HADN'T COME, so we prayed & then offered to help them. They said they needed \$200, which was about

1/3 of our available funds. But when we prayed, we got the scriptures Acts 2:44-45 & Luke 6:38, so we took them the money. When we gave it to them they gave us a small package of mail for us which had been forwarded from Europe & arrived that day.

THE PACKAGE CONTAINED A TV letter for a special donation we had sent previously. The letter included a quote from "Tithing & the FM" (928:260): "God is no piker! He's no skintint! He's not chinty! When you give to God, He will give you back much more than you gave, not a tiny fraction of a few percentage points like the selfish banks & brokers!" That was a real confirmation & encouraged our hearts so much!

THE NEXT DAY IN THE POST, we got a check for \$2,000—an inheritance that we had not known about. The check had been lost in the mail a year before, & the bank had discovered that it had not been cashed, so it issued another one! What a fulfillment of God's promises & a real blessing for us to help us as we get established in South America. (Hail! PTL! GBY!)

Buddhist Saved & Healed!

HEART ATTACK CAUSES DISCIPLE'S FATHER TO SEEK JESUS!

From Caleb; Asia: WE ALWAYS THOUGHT IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR MY FATHER TO RECEIVE JESUS, since he is a devout Buddhist, but the Lord made a way. He recently had to go to the hospital for a fairly routine eye operation, but on the way to surgery, suddenly his heart failed.

HE WAS IN A COMA FOR 3 DAYS AFTERWARD, & when he finally came to, his problems were not over. A team of American doctors were keeping a close watch on him

because he had a "click" in his heart—a sign of a leaky valve. Also, his heart was enlarged, & it was not certain if he would live.

I USED THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WITNESS TO HIM ABOUT GOD'S HEALING POWER, & he gratefully prayed with me for healing & also received Jesus. Since then he has been completely healed, & his heart is perfectly normal, & he has a whole new life in Jesus. Hallelujah! (PTL! TYJ! He never fails! GBY!)

Mobility Comes Thru Obedience!

GETTING DIRECTIONS FROM THE LORD & TRANSPORTATION FROM HIM TOO!

From Jonathan & Sara; South America:

GBY! WLY! WE WANT TO SHARE A TESTIMONY WHICH WAS INSPIRED BY NO LETTER #921 par. 6 which says: "However, if you must be mobile in South America & prefer it, then you'd be money ahead to go there first & buy a bus or truck there & convert it into a camper. Then you've not expensive shipping to pay & no excessive import duties.—And then you also won't look as much like one of those 'muy ricos Americanos'!"

AFTER BEING ONE YEAR IN A MORE NORTHERN LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRY, we were praying for another country to go to because our visas were almost up. And right then "Americans Abroad" came out in which Dad says that it's good to be below the Equator & the further south the better. We felt that if we would obey what the Lord told us to do & go south, then He would provide for us to get mobile.

SO, WE LEFT THE SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY where our visas were expiring & came here. We had thought that it would take us months to get mobile, & we considered working for a little while to raise more funds in a shorter time, because the lowest price for a used old bus was around \$3,500.

THEN JESUS SHOWED US THAT EVEN THOUGH IT IS NOT A BIG THING TO GET A JOB for a few months, He could supply the funds just thru simple home support, tithing & offering, without wasting lots of time & energy on a system job.

SO, WHILE WE WERE GUESTS IN ONE OF THE HOMES, we decided to move into a cheap room downtown. The day we went to sign in & pay for the room, we saw a cute little bus as we walked out of the house. We went to take

a look inside, & it was in modest condition, but easily fixable. So, we asked someone some info, & guess what? The person selling it was the same lady who rented us the room.

WE ASKED THE PRICE & were flipped out to find that it was just \$2150, & it was just what we needed. PTL! We prayed & decided to talk to the lady, & she said that she could give it to us for \$1900. Wow! TYJ!

THE SAME NIGHT WE DECIDED TO CALL SARA'S DAD FOR A LOAN OF \$1000 that we could pay back later at \$100 a month. After "fighting" a while on the phone (he is a real cheap guy), he promised that he would give it to us.

SO, WE GAVE THE LADY \$250, all the money we had, as a down payment to keep the bus for us. After 4 or 5 days, when the money didn't come, we started thinking that maybe Sara's dad wouldn't send it, but we kept hoping & praying. After 12 days, the money still didn't come, & we were really down because it seemed that our dream was not coming to reality.

BUT AFTER THE FIRST MOMENT OF DISCOURAGEMENT & ASKING GOD WHY, we started to pray & just poured out to the Lord. We really felt better & encouraged knowing that even though we would have loved to have the bus, the Lord knew what was best—like in "But If Not"—so we trusted the Lord.

WE HADN'T FINISHED PRAYING WHEN SOMEBODY KNOCKED AT THE DOOR. The money had just arrived! Hallelujah! We were so happy, especially because we learned the lesson that the Lord wanted to teach us. PTL!

WE WENT TO PAY THE LADY, & she said that we could use all the wood that we needed from what she had to

build the inside like we wanted. She also let us use her tools which was a blessing because we didn't have any. PG! However, I had made a mistake by not taking the bus to a mechanic for a check before buying it. I could have gotten a bigger discount if I had known that the bus did need some work on it.

WELL, WE WERE REALLY HAPPY IN SPIRIT but broke in money, so we decided to start tithing for living expenses & offering & to ask for more help from home to pay off the other \$500. We also still needed many things to fix up the inside, so we went on the attack to provision the material needed.

AFTER ATTEMPTING TO PROVISION IN PERSON, the Lord showed us that it was much more effective & inspiring to do it by phone, & little by little the Lord gave us about \$450 worth of needs. TYL! That was at the same time that we started tithing on all of our income, & the Lord sure blessed it.

WELL, WE STARTED LIVING IN THE BUS AFTER 1 1/2 MOS., & it was completely finished after 3 months. Jesus gave me real wisdom in doing the job, because I had never done such work before. TYL. Finally, about a month ago we finished paying it off with the help of my parents who sent us a gift of \$650—a real victory. TYJ!

WE HOPE THAT THIS ENCOURAGES OTHERS. "All things are possible with God," & it's not too hard for Him to give us these things if we trust & follow Him, & especially if we let Him do it. TYJ!

(Amen!—put feet to your prayers!—Do what you can: "Seek, knock & ask"—Mt. 7:7. PTL! GBY!—D.)