



Mission Possible News

“....But with God all things are possible” (Matt. 19:26)

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“Expect Great Things From God. Attempt Great Things For God” (Missionary: William Carey May 30 1792)

Dear partner in the Gospel.

Carol and I are currently reading through the Pauline Epistles for our devotional time. We were particularly drawn to Paul's passion for the true gospel that he was called to preach. Galatians 1:11 “I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel I preached is not something that man made up. I did not receive from any man, nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ.” We were challenged, and asked each other, “Whose gospel, and what gospel, is the 21st Century church preaching today?” May the Lord help us, as preachers, pastors, missionaries, and teachers, to make sure in our heart that we are preaching the gospel as we received it from our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The true gospel of Jesus Christ is the gospel of which we should not be ashamed, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes :... (Rom.1:16.) It is therefore our desire to present in Albania the true gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; his birth, his death, his resurrection, and his ascension.

Updates:

- We have now completed Level 2 of the language (intensive course). Through God's Grace we made it. We are now on a break till end of September. We give thanks to God for enabling us each day to communicate in the language, though be it with many mistakes. The other day at the bakery shop, where we usually buy our bread, the lady there gave us such an encouraging compliment; saying how she remembers the struggle we had in the beginning, the manner in which we bought food by using sign language and now we are at least able to speak, and she understand us well. We are also able to read the Bible in Albanian, and other literature. We might not understand all we are reading, but so encouraged by our little progress.
- Level 3 of the language will commence end of October – January 2014. The focus for the next four months will be more on practicing to speak the language. We are considering to do volunteer work at a catholic institute where a large number of children with their parents come, as well as younger people. The idea is to interact with these people and to speak Albanian with them, in so doing; we should be strengthening our language practicing skills.
- After we've ministering to three individuals for quite some time (M backgrounds), we now sense openness on their part. We now feel led to give each of them a New Testament copy of the Bible. Please pray for N, A, and E, this is the first letter of their names.
- Praise the Lord: We were granted visas to travel to Macedonia. Our Balkans Field Conference will be in this country. (18-22 August.)

Items for Praise:

- Praise God with us for his sustaining grace in our lives
- Praise the Lord for his provision that we see in the most amazing ways.
- Praise God with us, as we give him thanks for helping us with level 2 of the language.
- We give thanks to the Lord for his favor that we are able to travel to Macedonian.

Items for Prayer:

- Pray for the three contacts, that the Holy Spirit will use the NT which we will give them. Pray for the eyes of their hearts to be opened, and for them to ultimately place their trust in Christ for salvation.
- Please continue to pray for God's grace to sustain us, as we prepare for level 3 of the language. (Practical)
- Pray for our Balkan Field Conference. Pray for the speaker, for God to bless and anoint him.
- Pray for our business meeting during conference. Pray for the Lord's mind and Will to prevail
- Please pray for God's favor and approval as we submit our documents for the renewal of our work and residents permit. We are applying for our two year residents and work permit.

Thank you for your partnership

God bless:

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