

Got A Burden For Romania?

There's a beautiful country & a friendly love-starved people awaiting you!

From Damien & Rainbow, en route to South America:

PTLI GBY! WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU WHO ARE PLANNING TO TRAVEL TO RUSSIA or the East Bloc this summer by sharing some of the experiences we had during our recent 2-month stay in Romania!

WE LANDED IN ROMANIA WHEN OUR FREIGHTER from Greece to South America stopped at a Romanian port to pick up cargo. The 2-3 week stopover stretched into almost 2 months due to inclement weather, slow dock workers—and the Lord! Hallelujah!

THIS DELAY WAS A BLESSING FOR US in more ways than one! It gave Rainbow a chance to fully recover from surgery she had just had in Greece for a fallopian tube pregnancy, on an "extended holiday" with no cooking, dishes or housework to do. PTL! (By the way, we were able to provision the entire trip for us & our car & caravan for free on the only shipping line that regularly goes to S.A. from Greece! Plus, there was no extra charge for delays, so we had free room & gourmet cuisine at the captain's table the whole time—all provided by the Lord! Hallelujah!)

WE WERE ALSO ABLE TO FIND SOME EXCELLENT BUYS on much needed winter clothing, shoes & canned survival food at much cheaper prices than we would be able to get them at our S. American destination.

BUT THE GREATEST BLESSING WAS THE HEART-WARMING CONTACT WE HAD WITH THE PEOPLE! It really surprised us how friendly the people were & especially how easy the language was, being of Latin origin. We were amazed

how many people spoke either French or English.

WE FOUND MANY HUNGRY SHEEP who were disillusioned with their system & confessed that while ideally socialism is good, because of man's ingrained selfishness, it just cannot work. Our sheepest friend was a 19-yr.-old soldier who had his duty near our dock. One night when he looked so cold standing on all-night guard duty Rainbow gave him an orange. (Fresh fruit is scarce in winter & we'd always carry some from the ship when we went ashore to give away.) This gesture made him curious about us, & we met with him many times after that.

IN WITNESSING TO HIM we were face-to-face with "Ask Any Communist", & he could not even comprehend God as he was so well "school'd". The Letter "War & Peace" helped us greatly to understand the communist mentality & how to approach them, as well as the quote:

"YOU ARE JUST TO GO THERE AS AN EXAMPLE OF HIS LOVE, to show them a picture of the Love of God, like Jesus did. That was the main thing, Jesus' main message was His sample of Love! By His example of kindness, His example of concern for the people, they knew that He must have something that was real & genuine & that Love did exist & God does exist!" (No. 925:35) PTL! We left him with a Family music tape & some clippings from FNs of our brethren around the world & will be following him up thru' the post.

WE WERE HAPPY TO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO BE A WITNESS IN ROMANIA DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.

Even tho' they don't call it

Christmas, it's still the holiday season with all the same trimmings—Santa Claus, Christmas trees, lights & tinsel, & crowded shops & walking streets.

WE MADE LITTLE HEART-SHAPED CHRISTMAS CARDS with John 3:16 in Romanian inside & gave them to friends we met during our daily excursions into town. The Christmas edition of "Kidz" with Jn. 3:16 in various languages arrived the day before we left Greece—a real miracle! TYJ!

WE PASTED COLOURED ANGELS, STARS & HEARTS ON OUR CABIN WINDOWS & did the Christmas skit for the entire crew & dockworkers on board, which was a real testimony of the real meaning of Christmas! As always, we found that our children were the key to opening the hearts of the people, & often they would be given little gifts by shopkeepers in town.

BECAUSE OF THE EASE WHICH WE EXPERIENCED ENTERING BY SEA, it might be worthwhile for anyone interested to look into Black Sea excursions calling at various ports. We saw Russian passenger lines coming & going regularly as well as many many Greek cargo ships which carry passengers.

WE HOPE THAT SOME OF YOU PLANNING YOUR SUMMER ROAD TRIPS will pray about a visit to Romania! There's a great witnessing opportunity, a beautiful country, & very friendly people awaiting you! "You can take your caravan to Russia...But there're lots of other interesting places & countries on the way! If you can show people that love exists, then they can believe that God exists, because God is Love! PTL!" (925:74,36.)

Visit To Indonesia

What life is like among the simple, humble "meek"!

From Shem & Zeal; S.E. Asia VSs: (Photos by Shem.)



Ruth, new disciple from the exotic island of Bali! She is now mated to French Emmanuel & are expecting a "knew" disciple!



One of the fruitful Family Homes in Indonesia! (back-l-r) Miriam & Daniel & son Sammy, Lydia & Peter. (These two couples are long-time Indonesian pioneers!) (front) Chris, Rebekah & son David, along with their "amah" (maid) Mur. They met her thru' the mailing list. She's now saved & loves Jesus!

WE HAVE HOMES IN ALL MAJOR CITIES IN JAVA which is the most populated island (80 million), as well as a Home in Bali. The Family was so sweet & helpful & welcomed us warmly.

OUTREACH IS QUITE VARIOUS including DTD, FFing, Church of Love, Music With Meaning & Witnessing. In most places Homes are open & able to witness & witness freely. The lit is eagerly received & 1000s of pieces are distributed monthly.

ONE HOME HAPPENED TO BE IN THE RIGHT PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME, & God opened the door to meet managers of radio stations from all over Indonesia! As a result, the Music With Meaning Show is on several stations, & more want the program! TYJ!

THERE ARE 4 NEW DISCIPLES as well as other potential disciples, friends & lots of sheep they are feeding. Several knew disciples have been born recently & there are more on the way—a great way to get national disciples!

LIFE IN INDONESIA DOESN'T HAVE ALL THE "CONVENIENCES" of the West. There are few phones or refrigerators; kerosene cookers are used in most Homes & there are no washing machines or vacuum cleaners. A couple of Homes don't have running water & water is drawn daily from a well.

BRETHREN HAVE TO BE VERY HEALTH & CLEANLINESS CONSCIOUS—everything has to be washed thoroughly & all drinking water boiled. They really know the importance of the Health Rev!

LIVE-IN MAIDS OR 'AMAH'S ARE EASILY AFFORDABLE & much needed to help with the physical work of day-to-day living. Amahs in some of the Homes have gotten saved & love Jesus! Families in Indonesia get used to living without all the



Horses & carriages are very common in parts of Indonesia! Here's Zeal with Regina-6mos. & Daniel-2½.

New TRF'ers Danny, Shallini & children! They're from India & Danny is a teacher at an Indian school.



Part of the Indonesian translating team!—Almost all nationals! (l-r) Deborah, new disciple Lir, Michael with his & Deb's baby Christine, Amos & Elia!—Publishing the Wonder Working Words to reach all of Indonesia!

modern conveniences & will have less trouble adjusting to Crash conditions, GB'm! Some brethren have been "sticking" for over 6 years!

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IS CHEAP & readily available almost everywhere, but public transport in the big cities can be a harrowing experience with buses being so crowded that people are virtually hanging out the doors & windows!

SO, MANY OF THE BRETHREN HITCHHIKE with fantastic results. Not only do they get to their destination but they meet many influential friends, fish & helps this way. The brethren in one city are even known as "hitchhiking missionaries"! In some places a horse & carriage is a common form of transportation, & there are bicycles or bicycle-powered "beaks" everywhere.

WELL, THIS IS JUST A LITTLE IDEA OF WHAT LIFE IS LIKE for the Family in the ripe harvest field of Indonesia. More

labourers are needed! But if you can't come personally, you can help support the hard working brethren who are laying down their lives for Jesus & lost souls as well as publishing the WWWs

in Indonesian for 140 million souls there. Thank you, too, to W.S. for their monthly VS aid & other faithful donors who made this visit possible. WLY! —Shem & Zeal; S.E.A. VSs. ■

What The Family Says!

—About The Letters & Mags!

Compiled by Maria From the Monthly Reports!

"THE MWM TAPES WE RECEIVED were such an inspiration! What a difference from the music of the old Revolution!" —Micha; Europe. (You mean the Chain's old music! MWM is the music of the original Rev. I.D.)

FAMILY CARE KOMIX I & II: "Beautiful! Zebulun at his best! He's very good on children's material!" —Philippe La Plume; Canada.

FC KOMIX I&II: "Loved'm! Especially the new stories. What an interesting & inspiring way for our kids to get the right foundation! A real good format that even non-Family kids can relate to & not be baffled by. PTL!" —Steve & Mesha; Canada.

FAMILY CARE KOMIX: "The first thing that Emmanuel our son showed enough interest in to try to read on his own, PTL!" —Carpus & Ashnah; Australia.

"EVEN OUR FISH LOVE THE FC KOMIX!" —Ruthie; Orient.

"THE KIDS KOMIX REALLY HELP IN MY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS!" —Abigail; S.E. Asia.

FC KOMIX No. 2: "Daniel-12 read the whole Mag the first day it arrived." —Lydia; S.E. Asia.

WILD WIND TAPES: "We sent away for some children's tapes



Daddy Zered Wait reads to Amendoa & Anisa their favourite bedtime stories!

& were so pleased at such a quick response, receiving them well within 2 weeks of ordering them! It inspired us to send for many more. The children big & small love them!" —Abel & Eden; Austral.

"THE FN'S ARE SO INSPIRING FOR US HERE as there are very few Family members. It helps keep us in touch even if only thru' letters. It encourages us to keep going. GBY all for your continual help & work." —Samuel & Ruth; U.S.A.

"GO TO THE CITIES": "After having spent 6 months in Biafra in the bush in Africa we couldn't agree more!" —Antipas & Hagar; U.S.A.

S.A. Mag: "I esp. appreciated the class 'Household Spanish in 60 Minutes'. My wife & I are trying to learn Spanish & have other Spanish books but none present Spanish in such a simple way, tks!" —Uriah & Hannah; USA.

S.A. MAG: "I must say it really helps us to count every cost before we start & make sure we are able to complete what we begin, as well as get the necessities for the life we'll lead in these new countries." —Bethany & Elizabeth; U.S.A.

S.A. MAG: "Sooo informative! From having worked in Mexico & Colombia we can see the importance of counting the cost & knowing the situation before

making any moves!" —Hiram & Blisam; U.S.A.

S.A. MAG: "Sure glad you people are a bit more down-to-earth than some members of the Family we met. That Mag was so needed. Thanks, Dad, GBY!" —Timothy & Vessel; Europe.

S.A. MAG: "The lessons & testimonies can be applied to any field." —Johanna & Pearl; Australia.

S.A. MAG: "We've learned things about our own country that we never knew! It's inspired us to pray for other brethren in S.A. & on their way here!" —Hezekiah Cloud & Ana Rose; S.A.

S.A. MAG: "Super! Factual! Exciting!—& certainly one of the most concise & helpful guides to S.A. & C.A.I. God bless W.S. Carlos & all!" —Mathieu & Rose; Eur.

SPANISH MAG: "We were very surprised at the excellent work of translations you are doing & also the speed. GBY, all of you translators at the Spanish LIM! WLY!" —David & Estrella; Iberia.

"IT WAS EXTREMELY TO READ ABOUT THE COMING SHORTAGES due to the Iran-Iraq War, & what a petroleum shortage will do to our plastic-crazy world! Wow! The 'evil western Magicians' have taken Aladdin's oil & created a plastic fantasy world for us to live in! Another shocker I learned recent-