

were no journalists & nothing has come out in the press. The judges also paid attention a lot more, & allowed us to speak without cutting us off in the middle of our testimony (as in the last trial!). But what seemed to impress everyone the most was this new lawyer, as an anointing really fell on him. People remarked at the fluency in which he spoke. And it seemed like he even surprised himself at how he went to the attack in defending us.

K. HAD ALWAYS TALKED TO US ABOUT THE MENTALITY OF THE GREEK COURTS, how important it is to have a man of influence to influence the judges. But what seems to have actually happened is that this new lawyer, after seeing Angelo's & myself and P.'s witness, and seeing K.'s dedication to us & how much conviction K. has about the righteousness of our cause, it seemed like he got overtaken by the Spirit! It reminded me of when Saul prophesied one time when he was going out against David, when the people said, "Is Saul also now a prophet?" It was like people were say-

ing, "Is N. now with them?" as he got so into it. (K. had spent a whole day out visiting with us this past week, & is very turned on, he sang "In to My Heart" with us & his kids!)

N. AND K. BOTH WERE SHOCKED AT THE OUTCOME OF THE SUPREME COURT, as the outcome of this case could affect future legislation & probably religious freedom here too. So the judges asked for a one week delay on giving the decision as they wanted to study all the laws N. and K. had brought to their attention, & the outright contradictions in these papers coming from Italy.

WE KNOW THAT BY NO MEANS IS THIS BATTLE OVER YET, but at least it seems there is a little more chance of winning. And we still have the Minister of Justice as a last resort, if needs be. Also we cannot forget, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" Though we know we shall be "hated of all nations" in the last Days, we also know that "His hand is not shortened that it cannot deliver." PTL!

Much much love, Abel

The Right Conquers Might!

Athens 25/5/82

Dearest Loved Ones,

GBI: WE DO LOVE YOU SO MUCH, & Lord forgive us as we haven't expressed our thanks to you all for your concern & guidance these past three months. We can truly say that your words of encouragement to us through Peter has been what has kept us going, along with, of course, His Spirit which is ever so faithful!

WE NEVER WOULD HAVE HAD THE STRENGTH TO ENDURE THIS FAR if we had not known that you thought there was a one-out-of-100 chance-how we clung to your word for hope! We know the battle is not over yet & there are many difficulties yet to overcome in order to get Angelo & Sarah out of here, but we have such a joyous feeling in our hearts today that the right conquered might!

IN A WAY, IT WAS AS IF YOU WERE ON TRIAL, Dad, as your name, along with RAE's, were right in front of the judges when they gave their verdict that Italy "did not provide sufficient evidence to extradite this man", & that "we must wait for further information." And to grant him freedom on bail & what

seems to be freedom to cross borders, which will be confirmed tomorrow, DV, when we get the bail forms from the prosecuting attorney.

WHAT SURPRISED ME VERY MUCH WAS THE ATTITUDE OF THE JUDGES AFTER THE TRIAL. It seemed like they were almost congratulating us, to speak so boldly against the church, & to speak so clear His message. It was like they received us, the Spirit was so warm! PTL!

WE'RE ENCLOSING EXCERPTS FROM ANGELO'S RECENT LETTERS, WHICH ARE A REAL INSPIRATION TO US ALL HERE. And feeling his sincerity made it all easier to try to do all we could for him. Angelo, P., a Greek doctor who delivered all our babies, & I were the only ones able to witness in the Supreme Court. I must have seemed like John the Baptist, & Angelo must have been like Jesus.

I SPOKE ALL IN GREEK & REALLY TRIED TO THROW THE BALL BACK IN THEIR OWN YARD, pulling out of my pocket a blood-&-guts sex magazine & said that these are the ones that should be in court, these are the ones that corrupt people's minds. I previously had pulled out an MCM Mag & MCM tapes & let them know how Angelo is a

DJ from Milano to Sicily on 80 stations, & you can hear his voice now throughout the land of Italy. And then I pulled out the Warning Tract & other political lit showing the Pope blessing Begin as he strangles the Palestinians, saying this is why they persecuted us, because we printed these by the millions, but we never had this problem of persecution in Greece because Greece has shown itself friendly to the Palestinians while Italy is strongly controlled by you-know-who. The lawyers strongly advised me to work the religious-political persecution theme, so it was fun playing the parts! PTL! ANGELO WAS TRULY AS STEPHEN IN ACTS 6:15, "the face of an angel", & he just shone love & reflected love & gave love. I don't know if you read about some of the former trials he went through, but I understood then why--"the longer & hotter the fire, the finer the gold" & he was truly fine gold. PTL! We'll be sending full transcripts of both testimonies as I had a micro-recorder in my pocket! Ha! PTL! Go micro!

IT SEEMS THESE SUPREME COURT JUDGES ARE PART OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT who are trying themselves to break away from the church. It seemed like the judges were limited & could not make an absolute decision against Italy, but in giving him bail & freedom to travel, DV, they have just set him free. They say there is supposed to be another Supreme Court trial, when they get more information from Italy, if Italy wants to send more information. But also at the same time saying, or insinuating, that by that time he won't even be here anyway. They didn't come out & say it, but that's certainly the Spirit & attitude we felt from them. PTL!

THANK YOU AGAIN VERY MUCH FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH THIS TOO--your mercies are certainly making it possible to deliver Angelo out of all this. I think about how much love & help & concern you give, I'm almost overwhelmed. We certainly feel unworthy & I do pray that in our lives we can show the same love & mercy to others, & be a blessing to others, as you have been to us. The way your love reaches out & touches us, I feel like I could & I feel like I should go on & on in our thanks to you.

WE'RE REALLY IN THE MIDST OF BATTLE & I FEEL WE HAVE SO MANY VITAL TESTIMONIES TO SEND TO THE FAMILY, such as these letters from Angelo & Sarah.

I really have a burden to get them written & typed because we hope they will be a blessing to other members of the Family who will face prison in days to come. Not that Angelo was the "model sufferer", but that no matter what trials or battles he went through, his love of life & "spirit of life" always came out on top. Like those things he wrote on "time" & "sex" will benefit our future brethren in bonds.

ALSO I PRAY OUR COURTROOM TESTIMONY CAN BE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO BROTHERS WHO WILL HAVE TO WITNESS IN COURT, to really expose the greater sins of the System. And to "overcome by the word of their testimony". Also Angelo's incredible testimony of souls won & lasting fruit will hopefully prove that it can be done, that "you too can have a fruitful prison ministry." PTL! We're really challenged by the task of getting this all into print, & once again, we love you & do want to pledge our loyalty to you & what an honour it is to live & die for your Words.

Much, much love, Abel & Rose
xoxox Thank you for everything!

WE WANT TO CLOSE WITH SOME OF THE MANY VICTORIES THE LORD HAS HAD IN THE PAST FEW DAYS: Angelo is still really praising the Lord: His roommate & lit deacon, Andr , was set free yesterday. Chris & Nadia visited him yesterday at the trial & really encouraged him: GBI! He was being tried along with four others of Angelo's catacombers, & they all had brought their Bibles to the trial! An interesting point about Angelo's disciples is that they seem to be the cream of the crop of their countries, the rich kids who left home & went abroad to study etc. One's father is a government minister, another an ambassador, etc. So the Lord is really getting His money's worth out of Angelo's imprisonment!

My Heart Is Full of Love & Gratitude!

Dear Ones,

31/5/82

God bless you and keep you. I love you so much, PTL. This is the first letter that I am writing after my return

prayers of everyone & the infinite mercy of the Lord, today I can be sitting here while I hear the voices of my beloved children playing outside in the garden while I enjoy the nearness of the Family, after this long period of separation, (110 days), I felt the need to sit down & write to you to share the most recent events & what I feel regarding this situation. TYJ!

First of all, I want to tell you that I could never thank you enough for all your concern, attention, love & prayers, which have been still another confirmation of the sincere love that you have for everyone of your children of which I am happy to be part. PTL. Thank you so much also for all your economic help. Many times I felt so bad seeing how much all this was costing, especially in such a delicate moment, that is the exodus of the Family. Knowing that you were behind this situation, encouraging, counseling, providing above all with love & prayers, was one of my greatest comforts in all of this situation, TYJ. There were moments of real crisis in which the nostalgia & the solitude broke my heart & tears came out uncontrollably. In those sad moments, the thought of you & your love & the example of your sacrifice for the good of everyone of us, was such a sweet uplift, a real ray of sunlight that brought new faith & courage. TYJ!

Once more, the Lord has brought about a greater victory from what seemed to be a defeat, PTL. All things work together for good to them that love the Lord. TYJ! This change has caused great changes in Greece, in the lives of our friends here, & of course, in each one of us. In fact, it seems that the decision taken by the judges of the court of the Supreme Court is a decision destined to make history in law & not just here in Greece. The decision not to allow extradition aside from being an open contestation of the accusations in Italy sets a precedent that will serve to help others who are risking extradition, especially in cases of religious and political persecution. In fact, this is the 1st time that the Supreme Court of this nation has stopped a case of extradition, & in the lower court extradition is stopped in only about one out of 100 cases. Even the officials are quite sur-



prised & don't know exactly how to proceed concerning bail, freedom to travel, etc., because this case is so unusual. Considering that Greece is in the European Common Market & therefore linked economically to Europe, this decision taken by the judges is quite radical & shocking & is destined to influence the leaders of this nation. The decision has already been objected to by some of the newspapers. Our friends who witnessed this miracle & the people who followed this case in the newspapers naturally can't see all of the enormous battle that must have happened in the spirit world. This victory was certainly won thanks above all to the prayers of our precious Family. TYJ. Prayer changes things - this is so true & has certainly changed my life.

Now there remains one last jump, that of going South for which we have an enormous desire both to take up again our full-time work for Him, & to get out of this zone before the war begins to have uncontrollable proportions, as we feel that it is already a question of days & it is only due to the mercy of the Lord that the world is not already in flames.

We don't know yet if the decision taken by the Supreme Court judges prohibits me from traveling or not, but we feel the urgency of leaving this nation. Of course, all of your counsel & suggestions are, & will be for us like water to a thirsty land as our greatest desire is that of serving you & the Lord & to be a blessing to this work wherever He wants us. If we were to follow the normal course of events, this case would probably not finish in less than 2 months. It is certainly a blessing to be out of prison but it doesn't seem that there are many open doors here that would make one think that the Lord wants us to remain here in Greece. Also, the Greek Justice now will be asking for more details and precise accusations from Italy, accusations that can be proven. Well, as they have already done in the past, they could very well do again & I believe that our enemies could very well be evil enough to invent any type of accusation & also go to the point of bringing in false witnesses rather than stop trying to bother us. So to stay here & wait for the enemy to reorganize himself for his next attack does not fill us with joy. So, you can imagine what a word of counsel from you would mean to us. We are still a little shaken by all that has happened, but we do not want to fail you & the Lord & do want to do His Will.

I would also like to share with you what I think could happen in Italy. The decision of the judges in the Supreme Court hearing here in Greece to request more proof & above all more detailed proof with real accusations made by those who are the actual victims of these accused crimes, could mean that the Italian magistrates would re-open the case in Italy also. That would mean new & more serious problems, both for the Family there, & for our own enemies, and for Rachel & Emanuele. I asked our lawyer about this & he said that this is a very real probability. When I was still in prison I received from the Lord many times that this whole case would turn against our own enemies & that they themselves would fall into the same persecution that they have caused against us, TYJ. So, I was thinking that maybe it would be a good idea to warn the Family there in Italy of this new imminent danger. Of course, by now they should

have all covered & left Italy, but perhaps the Lord in His infinite mercy will use this situation as a last warning, especially for Rachel & Emanuele. But, we don't want to do anything that is not according to your counsel.

Dear Dad, I want to end this letter by telling you that my heart is full of love & gratitude for all that you have done for me & that by the grace of the Lord I will use the rest of my life to glorify Him & His love of which you with your example are a constant guide. This morning as I was reading the letter #989 "Where are the Prophets of God?" I received for you Psalm 45, particularly verses 2, 7, 9, & 15. PTL. If there is someone in this world who is a king, it is you, and if there is a queen it is certainly Maria & I thank the Lord for you and for your precious & unquenchable love.

Your servants & children in the Lord,

Angelo and Sarah

P.S. I also want to thank you for having let Abel stay to help us in this difficult situation. I must say that I have never seen, in all my life, such dedication as I have seen in this precious brother - untiring & always ready to sacrifice himself. He has been such a support both materially & spiritually, without which it would have been very difficult to make it. GBI. Both he & his wife Rose have sacrificed so much to help us & are still doing so. My heart is so full of gratitude that I could continue to thank you for the rest of my life, but I think that a good way to demonstrate my gratitude & love is to be faithful & loyal & obedient to you & the Lord. Lord help me, in Jesus' Name.

Love, Angelo

Angelo, free at last to serve the Lord full time again!

