

A company of God's people Praying for Kos

December 2009

Dear Friends

First we must give thanks for another year of knowing the Lord's blessings in our lives. As with all work for the Lord there are times of joys and times of sorrows.

As many will know Glyn left in the first week of November, with Alec leaving in the second week via Athens arriving back in the UK on the 19th November.

Alec had the joy of meeting up with Olga in Athens and visiting Mars Hill, also visiting brothers and sisters in the Lord, Peter and Marian, George and Luisa Dimkas who are serving the Lord in Athens a real joy to hear of the work they are doing there.

Then to visit a couple in Western Greece, Angelos and Katerina (Angelos who we met in Kos two years ago). Then Alec was privileged to speak at the Sunday morning service in Patra the Pastor Evangelos Sikoutris.

Then to travel to Anconia and to the city of Mantova and to give a presentation of the work to a very enthusiastic church more than 70 appeared for a Tuesday night meeting. Then it was back to Dunkirk.

In the meantime, Glyn had settled us back into our old house with the kind donations of much furniture and other needed items to refurnish the home.

We will now summarise the three and half years that we were in Kos.

We both have learnt much, the bible is very clear that God's work on the front line will always be a difficult work, and the failure for Glyn to settle into such a work is no great judgement against her, and proof as the Lord said 'The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak'.

Mission Board work / Tracting / Beaches – Over three and a half years tens of thousands of literature has been given away. As many of you

will have read our prayer letters you will have seen the number of people that we were privileged to meet and talk to concerning the Lord and their need of salvation. Only eternity will reveal this. (Perhaps for our own pride sake the Lord keeps us from seeing too much fruit.) The faces and the names, their circumstances will be remembered in our hearts and minds, and prayers for many a year to come.

Ministry/Preaching / Church work - Three seasons meeting at the hotel have brought many benefits that would never have been known before, the hotel staff have heard the gospel, received literature, the Hotel Manager together with the owner have certainly heard things they would never have heard before if we had not held the services there.

What a joy to have met brothers and sisters from all over Europe and beyond, Pastors, Elders, Deacons, full time workers, Missionaries retired and acting, Christian tour operators and much more just the ordinary brothers and sisters that showed their true colour as children of God that although they were on holiday just needed to find a place of worship and in some small measure we helped them to fulfil that need.

From a Pastoral point of view, those that we spoke too, never forgetting those two young Norwegian Christian girls that needed advice about Night Clubs.

Alec has much to be thankful for the discipline of two sermons per week for 26 weeks, something that probably he would never have learnt back in the UK.

Glyn for learning computer technology i.e. the overhead projection that scared her stiff to start with.

Greek Newspapers – For the distribution of some twenty five thousand newspapers on the island, certainly Evangelical reading of the Christian faith that the island has probably never experienced for many a long year. Only the Lord knows what has been sown again.

Friendship Evangelism - Under this heading we would include the Greek and English believers. Sadly the group in Kefalos has declined and much prayer is needed. In Kos town we are very blessed that Babis and wife Marts together with their three girls remain the backbone of the ministry there along with the faithful few. (We will mention them in our prayer points). We are very thankful for meeting George and Tina and



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Tracting – Over the three and half years we estimate about 110,000 tracts were given out which is an enormous number. Many of these have gone in bags. Many of the PCK's will have been put in handbags and taken back as a souvenir to their own countries. History shows that God can use a piece of literature many years later. If just half of one per cent God could use I wonder if that would be for glory sake.

Church work Preaching/Ministry – As Alec is hoping to return next year, that there will be an opening to be involved with the work next year.

Attila - That he may grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ as he settles here in the UK, and that his studies may prosper and he will then find a job.

Presentation – With Suzi Hall's kind help we shall be putting together a presentation around the time that you will receive this prayer letter, we are more than happy to come to your fellowship, especially those that have prayed for us.

May the Lord bless you all and may you have a lovely Christmas, and may the Lord richly bless you in 2010, unless the trumpet sounds before then, when time will be no more, and we will be as the hymn writer says, 'safe in the arms of Jesus, safe in his loving care'.

Alec and Glyn

our prayer is that they will grow in faith and knowledge in the Lord Jesus Christ, and all the wonderful help they gave us with moving and household technicalities.

Then to think of those that we have met around the town, especially Hassan and the little bar that he runs, together with all the Albanians that go there, the Turkish and Greek bible that he has 'O that he may find the Lord'. Mickey stands out as another one, and all the questions that he asked. Plus so many more, that we cannot list individually, including the Pakistani boys Ahmed, Tariku.

Prison– In many ways this was a disappointment but the number of visits between 200/250 Psalms and NT's went into the prison doors. Again only the Lord knows.

Helpers – This we could not start without mentioning Olga who shared all her sorrows and joys with us, a lady with so much tragedy and hardship in her life and yet brought friendship to Glyn in her dark days, and was a fine evangelist when amongst her own people who often ridiculed her and called her a traitor, yet again our prayer letters are a testimony to the number of people that she spoke too.

Those that have stayed at our home for a few days, to weeks especially, Sue, Brenda, and Marion, or Mike and Chris all had a wonderful heart for sharing the gospel.

Jacqui and Mark, Jacqui that gave us a home for the years when we had no home to go to back in the UK. Paul for the number of Greek newspapers that he delivered.

We are sorry but we do not have room to mention everybody.

Future - As we laid our plans before you in the November Prayer Letter. Alec is due to take up the position of Bible Exhibition Co-ordinator as of 1st January 2010. This will involve his role as transporting the bible exhibition around the various churches and schools erecting and helping the local churches and if needs be taking part if some of the characters are short. If you should wish your local church to have an exhibition, the Mission and Alec would be more than happy to hear from you. For your information our address is: **24 Walnut Grove, Worlington, Bury St**

Edmunds, Suffolk, IP28 8SF, and our telephone number is 01638 712069.

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Alec's love for Kos has not diminished at all and he is planning for 2010 as follows , the bible exhibitions as they are planned around the school year part of June, July August and September there will be no need for transportation. So God willing Alec is hoping to spend around two or two half months of the season in Kos. At the moment suitable accommodation needs to be found, as Olga has also expressed an interest to returning there in 2010.

Whilst Alec is back in Kos he is hoping to be able to arrange for the continued printing of the Evangelo Fos newspapers and more of the postcard from Kos tracts.

A very important part in the next few weeks will be for Alec to liaise with Dave Hall, Pastor of Pound Lane Free Church who has done all the work on the website to bring into being the new site of International Christian Church of Kos. So that we can support them with the advertising and website.

Finances - Over the last four years the Lord has blessed the work with much giving and there is a sum of money held for the work in Kos. This money must be spent primarily for the work to do with the evangelism on this island and its supporters. We will be prayerfully seeking the Lords will in the next period of time with no haste as to how it should be spent. If you have given to this cause and require financial statements as to how any money has been spent already, i.e. tracts, newspapers, advertising, house rent for the last four months and travel expenses, subsidising helpers etc. we would be happy to send any information you need to you, please give us some evidence of your support. Although we have tried to notify all those that have supported us by standing orders to the bank account, we note that there is still one for £10 that we cannot identify. Please will that brother or sister cancel this standing order. Unless for reasons that they wish to continue. I know that it is difficult when one does not wish to make themselves known.

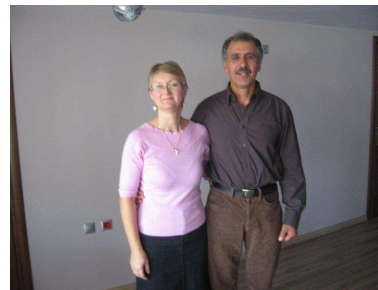
As we see fit to use the money it will appear on our prayer letters for next year, of course, the prayer letters will not be monthly any more, but we will keep you in touch.

Attila - we could not close without mentioning his progress, since the time he arrived here he has completed and passed his NVQ2 as a Gym Instructor, in a matter of just two months. He is attending Barton Mills Free Church on each occasion they have a service, and is living with us here in Worlington for the foreseeable future. Our prayers are that he will continue to grow spiritually.

PRAYER POINTS

Greek Newspapers that the Lord will continue to challenge those that read them.

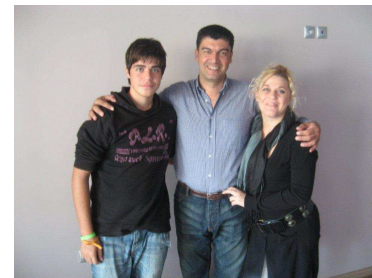
Friendship – Pray for the many Greek contacts over the years, Especially those brothers and sisters known as the International Christian Church of Kos. Photos of the brothers and sisters are here.



Babis & Marits



Vangelis & Julia



Nico, Stamatia & Eugene



George & Tina