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Reflecting on this Past Year

When we come to the end of a year, it is always amazing to see how God has fulfilled promises and knitted loose ends together to bring forth His purpose in our lives. Every New Year I wonder what God will do as we plan and prepare. Every one of us will do our best and be the most effective, and yet we know it is only His grace, favor, and love which lets us complete year by year our life. As we celebrated the New Year in our home church, The Father's House in Atlanta, the theme was born: *The Heaven is Open in 2007*. I had to think of Paul how he stood before King Agrippa declaring, "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." Sometimes we wait for big things to happen to make the vision become a reality, not realizing that only when God opens to us His realm of the Spirit, can we fulfill this heavenly vision. Progress is made when we yield to Him in the little things. The little things become like little stones thrown in the right way to produce big things. May the Lord help us to lift our heads in all our earthly struggles to see His plan and purpose for our life.

Thank you so much for all your love and support. Keep us in your hearts.

In His love, Sigi

Second Visit to Israel- 2006

Because of a growing conviction in our hearts, Sigi and I went a second time to Israel leaving this past Thanksgiving Day. This time in Israel proved to be valuable. We again ministered in the north among the Russian Jews. In Jerusalem and Tel Aviv we made contact with different ministries that are praying and involving themselves day and night for Israel. God has His army that is working diligently to make a difference. We can never forget that we were grafted in as gentiles to show mercy to the Jew. Romans 11:31 declares,"That through the mercy shown you they also may obtain mercy."

One of the events that touched and inspired our hearts was our visit with Karen, a dedicated woman of God who started a ministry in Jericho three and half years ago. She took time out of her busy schedule to talk to us and show us what God is doing among the Moslem population in the city of Jericho which is part of the Palestinian area of the West Bank. Her vision really began to take on reality in a guest home in Jerusalem when a priest spoke to her and said, "If you feed the poor in Jericho, you will win the city for God." She began by feeding the poor, and the work has grown from

that point. She has lived the scripture: Psalm 41:1-2, "Blessed is he who considers the poor; The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. The Lord will preserve him and keep him alive." The church meets in a rented facility every week and is filled to capacity with over six hundred people. There have been spectacular conversions and miracles as God as confirmed His Word many times. But the growth has not come without a price. Seven times fires have been started in the buildings Karen has lived, and if that was not enough, her car was bombed. God spoke to her and said, "Just ride it out!" It is amazing to see the grace and favor God is giving to reach the Arab world today. There is a great need for more support to feed families and also for laborers to help in the harvest. You can contact us directly if you would like more details.

Travel - 2007

We are preparing for seventy nine days of travel that will take us to four different countries: South Africa, Germany, the Middle East, and the UK. Christel, Sigi's sister, and our friend, June Croon, will join us during part of our schedule in South Africa. Please remember us in your prayers.

Tour to South Africa – Latter part of September 2007

We are planning to take a group to South Africa in the latter part of September. We estimate the cost will be some where in the range of \$2800 to \$3000 which would include airfare from Atlanta, hotels, breakfast and transportation. If you are interested please contact us. As many of you know, Christel works with us and manages our office when we are away. She will be in charge of organizing the tour. You can call her cell directly at 678-592-1508 or the office at 678-546-8067, and of course our email, odavesigi@aol.com, is always a sure way of making contact. In the weeks ahead we will place information on the website when we have more details. Christel will be joining us in South Africa from January 23 until February 18, 2007, so you can either leave a message by phone, or email us while we travel because we check our emails regularly.

Schedule-

Jan 22-March 2 - *South Africa*
March 2-12 & March 25 – April 4 - *Germany*
March 13 – 24 - *Middle East*
April 5 – 9 - *UK*

Thank you for standing behind us in your prayerful and financial support.

Grace and peace - *David*