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New Winds Blowing in Norway

Norway is a beautiful land well known for its many fjords which are narrow inlets of the sea between cliffs or steep slopes. In fact, Norway, a country of only four million people, has more miles of coast line than the United States. As Sigi and I flew from Frankfurt to Oslo, Norway in the second week of April, we could observe from the plane that there still was a lot of snow in many of the mountains.

It was the first time that we had been in Norway for ministry, and we really were curious as to what we would find. God used a wonderful Pastor, Antje Wollman to open the way for us. She really has a heart to see the Spirit of God move in Norway. As the meetings began, the response was above our expectation. There is a hunger in many people to experience more of the presence of God in their lives and dissatisfaction with religious programs that do nothing to fill the void inside. As a result we found people who were ready to press in and receive what God had for them. We were also surprised how many nations were represented in the audience. We found people from Africa, Asia and South America, a real picture of the body of Christ. We had opportunity to be on a local TV station that broadcasts in Norwegian into the Scandinavian countries such as Sweden and Finland, and now, they have initiated a new program that is broadcast in English from Jerusalem to go to many countries around the world. Many people called in for healing and prayer for loved ones, but the biggest surprise was the percentage of callers who struggled with depression. People live in a free society, but underneath there is a lot of unresolved issues and spiritual oppression. Thank God for the power of the Holy Spirit and for the comfort, liberty and restoration that follows to deliver captive souls out of darkness into the glorious light. We will go back to Norway and other Scandinavian countries next year.

Europe – Spiritual Renewal

There is a spiritual battle taking place in Europe. We saw a huge cathedral-like building in the city of Dresden (what used to be part of East Germany) and saw the sign pointing in that direction with the word "Mosque" written on it. It was in a very prominent part near to the old city of Dresden. This Mosque stood there in all its glory to defy our Christian faith and heritage. In Holland, Moslems have bought over thirty traditional churches and have converted them into Mosques. In the UK, we passed a table on the street offering people copies of the Koran and other information about the Moslem religion. More than ever, Europe needs a spiritual renewal to counter the increasing darkness that is coming on nations that at one time were centers of revival and reformation. It is no wonder that we feel an urgency to go and preach and pray for the churches and individuals in Europe today. When Sigi delivers the message God has

given her, it is more than a good sermon. It is a message for the Church today and challenges the Church to grow spiritually. We have revisited many of the same churches over the past several years in Germany & UK. We can honestly say that the Church is growing and becoming stronger through all the trials and hardships it has faced. God is pouring out the former and latter rain in the first month (Joel 2:23) from heaven to soften hearts and prepare good soil for the harvest to come.

The Glory of God in the Midst of Violence & Turmoil - South Africa

At the end of August we will return to South Africa for six weeks of meetings. South Africa is experiencing an increase in crime and unrest. Recently Zimbabwe refugees were attacked in Johannesburg and a number of people were killed. They say that the refugees are taking their jobs away from them. Several weeks ago close friends of ours in East London suffered the loss of their oldest son, Ashley. He was shot at close range by a gunman on the family owned diary farm. We were shocked by the news because we had known Ashley since he was a little boy. Just a couple of months earlier, Ashley had attended a gathering of 60,000 men who came together to worship God and commit their lives to God. It was the biggest event of its kind to happen in South Africa. His father told us that he heart was on fire for God. God had prepared him for what was to come. We do not know what South Africa's future will be. Some believe that the political situation will follow Zimbabwe more and more farmers are being targeted by those who resent white ownership of land. There is a new surge of immigration that is happening now because of the underlining fear and insecurity that is felt by especially the white population. But in the midst of all this unrest God is pouring out His Spirit in a wonderful way upon many churches in many regions of South Africa. We know that God is raising up a people who are demonstrating the love and forgiveness of God and will impact the future of South Africa for God.

Orphans in Kenya

The trip to Kenya this past February left an indelible impression in our hearts. We know that God sent us there for a purpose and to strengthen their faith. In the last months we have continued to communicate by email and Pastor Nelson has asked that we uphold them and the needs of the orphans in prayer. There have been financial struggles to provide food and care for the more than one hundred orphans. In the last weeks we felt that we needed to commit to a monthly support to help bring some relief. We also wanted to ask you as friends to pray for their situation that God would be honored in all that they are doing and that progress would be made.

In His Love - Sigi, David, Christel

2008 Upcoming Schedule

Aug 3, Sun AM	Poplar Bluff, MO	New Covenant Fellowship Church	Pastor Jerry Moore	Tel 573 785 5466
Aug 9, 9AM - 1PM	Billings, MT	Women's Seminar Open Bible Christian Ctr	Pastor Ron & Beth Rager	Tel 406 656 4941
Aug 10, 9AM	Worden, MT	Worden Open Bible Church	Pastor Ron & Beth Rager	Tel 406 656 4941
Aug 10, 11 AM	Billings, MT	Open Bible Christian Ctr	Pastor Ron & Beth Rager	Tel 406 656 4941
Aug 17, Sun 9 AM	Steven Point, WI	Good News Fellowship Church www.gnfchurch.org	Pastor Matthew & Deborah Mallek	Tel 715 341 3275

August 27 – Oct 7 South Africa