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The end of a year is a good time to reflect on highlights of the current year and to review plans for the upcoming year. I am frequently asked if anything exciting has happened to us recently. The answer is always yes with the most exciting aspects of 2005 being one of the most fruitful years of ministry we have yet experienced.

Over the past year several new and challenging areas of ministry have opened to us and include Islamic areas of North Africa and the Middle East. Ultimately, the reason for every crusade, every pastor's training seminar and every dollar spent is for the salvation of souls. Ministry in Islamic countries has resulted in over one thousand new converts in addition to thousands of salvations in our other crusades is of particular note.

As usual, many of the memorable highlights have come from the more difficult and challenging ministry events:

- Establishment of a new church in an Islamic country of North Africa.
- Over 1,000 salvations in a crusade held in an Islamic country.
- Dedication of the new church building in Jurmala, Latvia.
- Being chased by rioting pygmies in the Congo.
- Establishment of a children's program in Ethiopia.
- Ministry to Iraqi churches.
- Rebel attacks in the Congo being withheld during a crusade in the interior.
- Orphanage partnership with a fledgling children's home to provide economy of scale and better onsite administration and care for the children.

Our first major event of 2006 is a crusade in Rwanda near the site where the genocide of 1994 began. For more information on this please refer to our December newsletter.

Becky and I appreciate your generosity that has made it possible for us to reach people where Christ is not yet known.

Bruce McDonald

"Our desire is to preach the gospel in the regions beyond" 2 Corinthians 10:16

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