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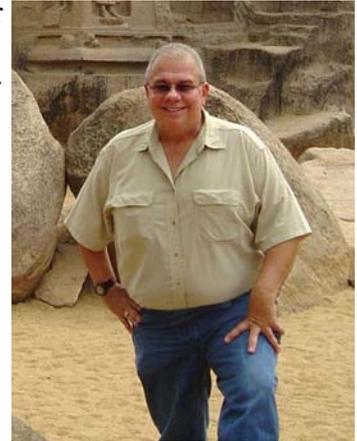
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Dear Friends in Christ,

The last few months have been some of the most challenging in our twenty years of ministry. With limited time between ministry events, I have been hard at work preparing the depth of pastoral teaching needed for conferences.

Recently, during an intense and successful crusade in an Islamic country, stones were hurled at me during the outdoor services. It was with God's protection that not a single stone hit me and I proceeded preaching the gospel without interruption. As a direct result of the crusade, new believers continue to come to a newly established church.



During the crusade, I was invited to speak live on the 6:00 p.m. news and was able to share the gospel on national television in an Islamic country. The audience was captive as I spoke between former Russian President Putin's and President Bush's news conferences about the Russian invasion of Georgia.

Last week I completed an extended ministry schedule in three republics of the former USSR. We conducted conferences for pastors and church leaders in addition to ministering to the members of numerous churches. The primary impact of the ministry resulted in open doors for future ministry in areas where less than 4% of the population are evangelical Christians.

When you receive this letter I will be in the Democratic Republic of Congo where I will be holding a crusade in a refugee camp. In addition to the afternoon crusade, we will have a pastors and church leaders conference each morning. Immediately following the crusade I will travel to a remote pygmy village for ministry.

The war in eastern DR Congo has once again intensified and last month alone over 100,000 people fled to camps which have been reinstated by the United Nations. In similar situations in the past, the Russian language has been used in discussions with the UN leaders who oversee the camps. There is seldom a better time to reach people with the gospel than when eternity is at their doorstep.

Becky and I appreciate your prayers, friendship, and commitment. It is through your faith in us that we are able to reach the lost. Over the years we have never lost sight of the reason for missions and as long as there are people who do not know Jesus, we endeavor to continue preaching the gospel through the grace of God.

Sincerely in Christ,

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