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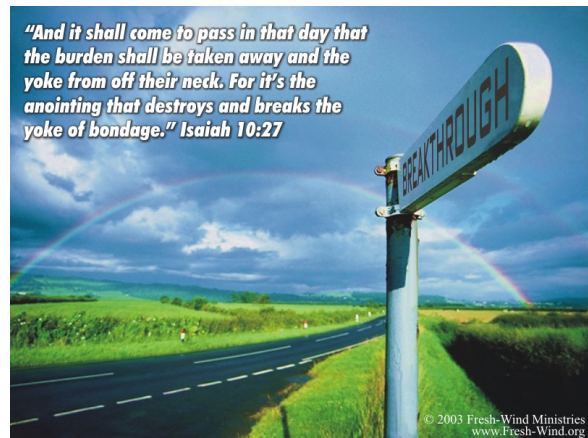
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John Walker, Regional Vice President Europe writes:

'Here we are at the start of yet another year but one I believe of great opportunity. I truly am convinced that God wants to 'breakthrough into the nations of Europe' .I am receiving from many different quarters

e-mails and other written prophesies that the Holy Spirit is birthing a new wave of Revival in our Nations.



Breakthrough into the nations of Europe

We are to pray without ceasing that this continent which has such a rich christian heritage will once again be changed by the glorious light of the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. But as a prelude to that renewal let us not forget that real renewal begins in our own hearts and lives.

My prayer is that the Lord Jesus will revive me that I may be an instrument of revival.

I believe the Lord has showed me that the next 7 years are vital. Just as God revealed to Joseph that ancient Egypt would experience 7 years of plentiful harvest prior to 7 years of famine. I believe that in the next 7 years there will a spiritual harvest of souls in Europe and FGBMFI will play its full part in bringing in that harvest.

Let us accept that challenge and God given opportunity.

I am believing for the beginning of that harvest to start when in March 2007 the European Council meet in Budapest, Hungary which will be supported by 'fire teams' all over that country witnessing to the life changing power of Jesus.

My love and greetings to you all.

Be steadfast in the Lord, seek every opportunity to witness to his love and grace.

Miklos Molnar, Director Central Europe, and the Hungarian members, are organising an **International outreach and revival conference in Budapest on 12 to 15, March**. Miklos says, 'come and be part of the Fellowship in action on the streets of Budapest. There will be international 'fire teams' visiting hospitals, businesses and prisons.

Experience how God is moving in an extraordinary way through ordinary men'.

Following the outreaches there will be a conference with international leaders at the Best Western Hotel Hungaria 1074 Budapest, Rákóczi út 90.

<http://www.danuiushotels.com/>

If you wish to register contact Miklos Molnar at base1@mail.datanet.hu or the European Office.

Richard Shakarian, Intl. President writes, 'Vangie and I are coming to Europe. We would love to see you and embrace you, and hear the great things God is doing in you.

If you are hungry for a touch from God, if you need a Word from the Lord, if someone in your family needs a healing, then bring

them and come to **European Fire**, in Budapest, March 15 to 17.

We have just completed a marvelous meeting in Mexico. So many people were healed, that we could not receive all the wonderful testimonies. At the same time, there was a great wave of salvation.

Between Christmas and New Year God spoke dramatically to Vangie and me through two of His prophets on two different coasts.

The Lord is birthing **new wine** in this Fellowship. Just part of the prophecy is as follows: 'This is going to be a very powerful year for you. This year is going to be really glorious for you. Many things have been working to the 30% to the 60%, but today, this 2007, you will be working to the 100%.'

God has promised a 'breakthrough'...to bring in New Wine, to break the spiritual resistance in the Fellowship, to unite us globally as one.

God is getting ready to multiply the Fellowship around the world.

Fishing in the Caribbean

Carl Sweeney, President Kingston Jamaica chapter, reports of his first experience of going on an FGBMFI 'fishing trip'. He says 'it began with a training conference, under the leadership of FGBMFI men from the USA and Nicaragua.

The essence of the conference was to train members in the Caribbean in the "Fishing Chapter". I had often heard about this new strategy but this was my first experience of it. After training on the Saturday, it was time to go on our field trip. We were divided into small groups and assigned to various places including a children's home, the university and a hospital. I was among those who were assigned to visit St. Mary's Children's Home. As the children gathered in the hall, we acquainted ourselves with them and planned the approach we would take.

The approach included a short version of the FGBMFI vision, two testimonies and a call to accept Christ. One of the testimonies

was given by youth pastor Brian Calliste and it was very relevant to the audience. It was clear that there were aspects of it with which they could identify. During the acceptance prayer which followed, I was paying close attention to those who were saying the prayer. At this point I was struck by the sincere look on the face of one particular girl.

I approached 17 year old Kizzy Moses afterwards and my conversation with her revealed that her parents were on drugs. She hadn't seen them in a very long time and she had no idea of their whereabouts. She had often felt hopeless and frustrated and at times felt like giving up on life. It was then that I began to encourage her; letting her know that with her commitment to Christ she would begin to see positive changes as long as she promised to pray and trust in the Lord. I was able to give her real life examples of answered prayers regarding my own daughters; how we prayed on the phone while they were overseas in college and saw instant results. I spoke with her about her career goals at which time she revealed her desire to become a teacher. I explained the importance of setting this goal, the challenges she would face and the need to stay focused and trust in the Lord even when things didn't work out as planned.

As we spoke I could sense the concerns she had about her future especially since she had only one year left in the institution. She would soon be out in the real world with little or no experience and no parental support. It was at this time that I assured her of my support. I told her that I would be the Daddy she never had. As we had earlier exchanged email addresses and phone numbers, this meant that she would be free to email or call me at any time.

I left her with the knowledge that I am prepared to support her as I would do for any of my children. Whenever she faced those difficult days again, she now has someone to advise her, to encourage her and to pray with her.

I firmly believe that this whole incident was a move by God and was designed to impact

both our lives. While we can easily see the impact on Kizzy, I myself have been undergoing tremendous difficulties in recent times and the Lord revealed to me the following scripture:

"Whoever receives one of these little children in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me, receives not Me, but Him who sent Me." - Mark 9:37

If I never accomplished anything else on this trip, I would have been satisfied with this.

I have already made contact with her by email since returning home and I got a prompt response from her which continued to outline her frustrations. However, I could feel a sense of hope especially as she closed with the words "this is your adopted daughter, Kizzy".

Incidentally, with her family name being Moses and her email address containing the word "blesskizzy", wouldn't you believe there is something more to this child than meets the eye?

In all, this was a fantastic weekend for me. I feel energized and ready to face the many challenges of our chapter in Jamaica .

Reinhard Bonnke – film 'Full Flame'

German evangelist Reinhard Bonnke, known for his massive gospel and healing campaigns in Africa, has just released a film series called 'Full Flame', aimed to ignite a passion among christians to spread the gospel. "Picture what could happen if believers everywhere were truly inspired to share their faith in fresh, simple, and dynamic ways, out of their own experiences and Christ-like motivation," says Bonnke. In the 'Full Flame' series he shares the basic faith principles that he learned in his 30 plus years of ministry, and uses the "power of story and cinematic experience" to communicate on a heart level.

The series is designed for small groups, (chapters) and churches. Being filmed on every continent, 'Full Flame' communicates that God's Spirit is moving worldwide and seeks to use ordinary people. Like Bonnke

states: "When you preach the Gospel, the Gospel happens!"

<http://fullflamemovie.com>

UK

Rodney Radcliffe, Natl. Director London, writes '109 people attended the **FGBMFI Central London marketplace outreach dinner** at the Royal National Hotel in November. Many unsaved people were present and were drawn closer to God through the evening. Christians were also encouraged through the witness.

A Mr. M, an unsaved man, was invited. He did not want to come, but his wife encouraged him to join her. He was soon made to feel at ease at his table. When the evening concluded he left looking a relaxed and much happier man. His wife wrote afterwards to say they had collected booklets, books, flyers, a copy of the new testament and a cd. His wife said he was very happy when he arrived home. She said I saw my husband listening intently to Paul the speaker at our dinner. Like Paul my husband had run in the New York marathon, and like Paul he has also been involved in helping develop childrens charities overseas. He felt it was all so different to church, and he found himself at ease with these friendly people similar to himself. He had been hesitant to come to the dinner because as a school teacher and a football referee he did not see himself as a business man. But soon after arrival at the dinner he realised that FGBMFI is about 'all' men. Please continue to pray for him. There were also many others prayed for on that evening.

I sense this is an illustration of the men you and I are called in FGBMFI to reach, and serve each day in the marketplace of life. We thank God for the boldness and perseverance in faith of this man's wife who encouraged him, and for the ways many wives and women introduce and bring men to FGBMFI events.

At another meeting, London FGBMFI who had some 87 present, networked with A Call to Business and Intl. Christian Chamber of

Commerce, two complementary full gospel marketplace ministries, who had 22 guests. The FGBMFI vision for full gospel outreach was caught by all. This is likely to be followed through 2007 with further marketplace networking occasions, building contacts, including unsaved contacts, for a further central London marketplace outreach dinner in November.

Rodney adds, 'your prayer and other support is vital for new men to become committed to FGBMFI, as we seek to reach out and break through spiritual strongholds and to be effective in reaching all men and national decision makers.

Spain

Bruce Wick, Natl. Director Spain, writes ' our trip to Torrevieja, Costa Blanca, was a great success, so thank you for your prayers.

Alan Dunbar, Lionel Ferrier and myself drove to Torrevieja on Friday 26th January and had an FGBMFI presentation meeting that evening, where we explained the FGBMFI vision showed a video and gave testimonies. This was attended by about 30 men from different churches, including 5 pastors. The next morning we held an FGBMFI inaugural breakfast, where Alan Dunbar was the main speaker and this was attended by 31 men. The weather conditions were terrible with high winds and torrential rain so we were really pleased with the turnout for both meetings, though some pastors from further away were not able to come. The men in Costa Blanca are strong 'on-fire christians' who do street evangelism amongst other types of outreaches, with a strong desire to see the lost saved, and revival in their area.

The Torrevieja Chapter is now formed with 10 men and a board of directors appointed. Just as we were leaving to return home the pastor of the church where we held our previous evening meeting said that he too was signing up along with 5 men from his church. We expect to plant 2 more chapters on the Costa Blanca in the near future. Please keep this in your prayers.

The next planned trip will be to Madrid this month to meet with the former Natl. President, Paco Sanchez, and try to reactivate the Spanish speaking chapter there. Also we want to get the official papers for FGBMFI Spain registered with the government.

Please keep us in prayers for the Madrid Chapter as well as the other Spanish chapters that need to be re-activated.

Also pray for new chapters on the Costa del Sol; we are working to start a Spanish and a Brazilian (Portuguese) chapter here this month. The Holy Spirit is guiding us and we agree with UK Director, Peter Spreckley " It is time to go forward in faith and start new groups. GO FOR IT, WE ARE WITH YOU."

Norway

Hans-Petter Thue, Natl. President, Norway, writes 'we are going with a team of 10 people to Prague and 3 more are joining us from Austria. We will be doing evangelism and have a Prophetic / Healing Conference with testimonies and teaching.

We have rented a cinema with places for about 400 people. Vaclav Lamr, Natl. Director Czech Rep. and Milos Popp, are making advertisements in the newspapers and on the trams and metro.

In Norway, our target is to start one new chapter every month. In January we started a new chapter in Bergen. It was a powerful meeting, and about 60 people attended the first meeting. Follow-up meetings have been planned. On Saturday we have a meeting in Trondheim to help this international chapter, and to start a chapter at the university.

In March we plan to go to Larvik in the south in Norway to start a chapter. There is already a group there that will work with the Fellowship.

Germany

Roland Benz, Outreach Director, writes: 'two weeks ago we had a very blessed **Israel meeting at the Bavarian Parliament.**

I represented FGBMFI as member of a forum called ' Initiative 27 January', the aim

is to commemorate the Holocaust and be a voice against antisemitism.

Cyprus

During a recent visit of John Wright , EC Director and his wife Susan to Cyprus, they witnessed a move of God's Spirit. They spoke at meetings in Nicosia, Polis, Paphos and Limassol, and were assisted by some former FGBMFI members. There were salvations and healings.

John Wright says 'Daniel Ioannides has been appointed the new National Director for Cyprus, he is from Nicosia, where a chapter was recently formed. It is hoped that chapters will soon be started in Limassol, Paphos and Larnaca.

Armenia

US Director, Douglas Raine writes: 'we are planning a 'fire team outreach' to Armenia following the international conference and outreach in Budapest. The team will be in Armenia from March 18 to March 26, with outreaches to businesses, schools, local organisations, prisons and government offices.

Our objective is to help existing FGBMFI chapters, train our leaders, and reach business people through our testimonies for Jesus Christ. Once Armenians are trained they will want to continue the outreaches monthly or quarterly. Please pray for the harvest.

Last night we met for a FGBMFI dinner in Tulsa and reviewed our success in Armenia in September 2006. We encouraged attendees to join us in Budapest and Armenia in March, and to go to **Bulgaria** in October. European members are encouraged to join these outreaches. Our initial strategy for Bulgaria is to team up with Christian Adventures for evening crusades, and to work independently during the day with 'fire teams'.

At the Budapest conference in March we can plan further the outreach to Bulgaria, and future outreaches to the former Soviet nations.

Czech Republic

Report by Martin Pinc and Vaclav Krutzky, the one a building engineer and the other a physiotherapist.

Martin Pinc writes to Josef Hofbauer (Germany) Outreach Director to Czech Republic.

'I would like to thank you for your work and support in our country. I have a desire to start new chapters together with Vaclav Krutzky in Ostrov and Jachymov. Things in our city are getting better and I believe that it will fulfill the vision with which I moved to Jachymov eight years ago. In the last months special events happened, which changed the local situation dramatically.

Thanks to the new Catholic minister Marek, in Ostrov, the churches in our cities Jachymov and Ostrov have joined forces and we meet for prayer on a regular basis .

In our city a group of active christians got together and founded an association called "Hope for Jachymov". We believed that the government of our city needed to be replaced, so we decided to form a political party for the local elections. We had a convincing victory; our candidates gained nine of the 15 seats and the new mayor has come from our ranks. Also a position in the commission for regeneration of the city was offered to me, so I finally can put my abilities and experiences in practice for my city.

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Russia

Andrey Klementyev from Russia writes 'we are organising a **Russia-wide International Conference of Christian Businessmen (FGBMFI)**. The Conference will take place in St. Petersburg on February 16-17.

Our main goals include developing closer relationships in the organisation, developing our strategy for 2007 and 2008 and having more contact with world wide ministries.

Roland Benz, Germany, Outreach Director, and his wife Traute, will be representing the

European Council at this conference. Roland and Traute have already been a number of times to Russia and have developed contacts with FGBMFI members and other christian organisations there. Roland says ' we expect to have interviews on TV and christian radio, and have church and chapter meetings in St. Petersburg. Jarmo Kaksonen and some members from FGBMFI-Finland also plan to be at the Russian conference.

Vietnam and Cambodia

François de Beauchene, France, Outreach Director, writes,

'we went to Vietnam as a party of three, a couple and myself, just to help potential chapter leaders to start gathering people and leading them to Jesus.

We visited four places: Hanoi, Danang, Ho Chi Minh city (ex Saigon) and then going on to Phnom Penh, the capital city of Cambodia.

Even if we always find things proceeding at a slow pace, we thank God for what we have seen and the meetings we attended .

In Hanoi, the head of the local group says he was surprised to see about 50 people coming to the meetings for which the dinners cost 100,000 dongs each (about USD 6,00); this is a lot of money for these people. Also in this capital city with a government against christian evangelisation it was a tremendous success for which we thank God.

One evening we were with some young men belonging to another christian movement at an open air meeting for students, in front of the main stadium of Hanoi. There we could meet freely, as many groups gather each evening to play, sing and talk; so our group was one among the others, singing christian songs, sharing testimonies and asking these students to give their lives to Jesus. What a blessing to see some of them deciding themselves for Jesus.

Later, in Danang city, we met a man who attended our dinners years ago, he wanted to see us. We went to visit him in the school he manages and he told us:" last time you

came I was interested in your testimonies and everything that happened, but I did not feel called by that ministry. But now, I know I am called by Jesus to be a member and to start doing the same things you did for me.

We rejoiced and praised God for all He did there and for the events being prepared in that big city, full of students. God enabled us to visit a new bishop of the city (without us asking for this). We gave him the book 'The Happiest People on Earth' and described FGBMFI and the work we received from the Lord for his country. He was deeply interested and we spent one full hour with him. We thank God for this.

In Saigon, things are moving very slowly, the authorized churches are closing doors and forbidding their members to go anywhere else. Many people, including some in the churches, are chasing after money and this is dominating their lives. We prayed for the situation there and know that God has people there who are still faithful to Him. The leader of the Saigon group had several people attending an FGBMFI dinner and when we left was already preparing for the next dinner meeting.

Lastly we went to Phnom Penh in Cambodia where we met with our German brothers in Christ, Klaus and Zoltan. They have worked there for years sowing the seeds of the Gospel. We were able to spend some time with them for fellowship and sharing of experiences. Coming back home after three weeks abroad, we praised God for His achievements He allowed us to see and report. All glory and honour is for Him.

Alain and France Blin Nouveau and Francois de Beauchène.

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FGBMFI France will be helping the Vietnamese chapters with finances to help them get established and a member in the UK has made a gift for the printing of the book Happiest People on Earth into Vietnamese.

Please pray for the work of FGBMFI and for the churches in Vietnam, as they regularly face persecution by the authorities.

We recently received this email from a Vietnamese christian 'yesterday I came to Bien Hoa city to share the Gospel with the local church. During the morning service the police came. They stopped the service, asked the people to show their identity cards, and the licences of their motorcycles. They took away the song books and motorcycles and asked every christian to go to the police station for interrogation. They fined all the christians. The police know the addresses of the christians and ask them many times to go to the police station.

Every time we worship the Lord, we are facing persecution.

Malaysia

Clive Addison, a UK Natl. Director writes ' My wife and I now spend 2 months of the year, December and June in **Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**. Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship Malaysia is flourishing. They are very active with over 50 chapters in the city of Kuala Lumpur alone and over 100 chapters overall. They are very market place orientated, with weekly chapter meetings taking place during lunch times in the offices or factories, with speakers, fellowship and ministry. Chapters then get together to hold regular outreach banquets and rallies. I haven't seen the figures for 2006 yet, but for 2005, they had some 2500 firm salvations countrywide through their activities.

They treated us very well and we were invited to their weekly headquarter prayer meetings, also arranging for me to speak. In 3 visits I have now spoken and ministered at some 12 chapters. We also had the pleasure of being invited to one of their regular Chinese Banquet outreaches. There were about 450 guests who came to hear a prominent professor from Taiwan give his testimony [in Mandarin]. He used to be a high level Buddhist but has now turned to Christ. It was a powerful time and I would say over 20 people invited Jesus into their lives at this meeting. One highlight for me

was when the chapter members were asked to come to the front and sing the FGBMFI "Happy men's song." About 30 men came forward, and sang very enthusiastically, ending up by doing a "conga" dance around the restaurant; they were really 'on fire for Christ'.

At one of the chapter meetings I attended, it was wonderful to hear the testimony of a young Chinese brother reporting on another recent Chinese Banquet; over 120 people gave their lives to Christ. He was so excited because he was able to report that whole families were coming forward, the man, his wife and children, all to receive Christ – 'just like New Testament times' he said.

Feedback

Our previous Networking Newsletter spotlighted 'anointed literature'. One national director replied: For a long time now, I receive your reports about our Fellowship. This is really precious and it helps keep the fire in our hearts. Here in our nation we are struggling and fighting the good fight; the vision will come through, we have the victory; God is working on our patience.

Voice magazine is the most important tool we have after our own testimony.

This morning, while reading your report, I felt called once again to have a Voice magazine in our nation. I will bring this to our National Board, along with your report.

Thank you for your faithful work !

One of our translators writes: 'I am blessed as I translate these Newsletters. Many times I have to stop to either praise the Lord or just hold to avoid crying .God bless you my dear brother'

Coming events

International outreach and revival conference, Budapest, Hungary, March 15 to 17.

World Convention, Panama, July 25 to 28.

European Leaders Conference, Innsbruck, Austria, October 5 to 7

For a more detailed listing of coming outreaches and conferences see our website – www.fgbmfi-europe.com

The best is yet to come – Haggai 2:3-9

"Who is left among you that saw this house in her first glory? And how do you see it now? Is it not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing? Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land, says the Lord, and work: for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts.

According to the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so my Spirit remains among you; fear not. For thus says the Lord of hosts; yet once, it is a little while and I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land. And I will shake all nations and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts.

The glory of the latter house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place will I give peace, says the Lord of hosts.

THE BEST IS YET TO COME FOR YOU!

Let us believe God that this will soon become a reality for the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International.