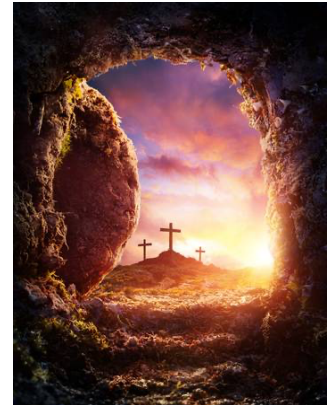


He Is Risen!

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FACT: The Risen Christ said, *All authority has been given to Me in heaven and earth.* Is there any question of Who is in charge? Satan can only do what Christ permits. The evil inclinations of the human heart can only do what Christ allows. In the same manner that God could turn the evil of the cross and the wickedness of men and the schemes of the evil one into the means of the salvation for all mankind is captured in the power of Romans 8:28. Whether it is Covid or Russia or conflicts like down through the annals of history, God and God alone, is ultimately sovereign, and in control. *The Lord has established His throne in the heavens. And His sovereignty rules overall.* Ps. 103:19



FACT: Slowly, read through 2 Corinthians 4 and ponder things like...*we are afflicted in every way, but not crushed, perplexed but not despairing; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed.* Why? *For the momentary light affliction is producing for us and eternal weighty of glory far beyond comparison.* This life is not all there is. Someone you love and who knows Jesus dies or is killed, your separation is only for a brief time. If you focus on your material possession like those that Job had in Job 1:12-20 they can all be lost quite quickly. Consider the last verse in chapter 4, ...while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen, for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.



FACT: The Risen Christ said, *Go and make disciples of all the nations...* He did not say retreat, or hide, or isolate yourself from the conflicts of life. In His infinite wisdom He has created and equipped you to live in such a time as this. As our commander He has set forth the order "Charge" and the very gates of hell that hold those that evil has captured will buckle under the might and power of His Spirit led army, we know as His people—the church. Amen

"The 4 Stages of Happiness According to a Billionaire "

When Nigerian billionaire Femi Otedola in an interview, was asked, "What can you remember made you happiest in life?" Femi said: "I have gone through four stages of happiness in life and finally I understand the meaning of true happiness." The first stage was to accumulate wealth. But here, I did not get true happiness. Then came the stage of collecting valuables and items. But I realised that the effect of this thing is also temporary, and the lustre does not last long. Then came the third stage of getting big projects. That was when I was holding 95% of diesel supply in Nigeria and Africa. But even here was not happy. The fourth stage was the time a friend asked me to buy wheelchairs for some disabled children. Maybe only 200 children in total. At my friend's request, I immediately bought the wheelchairs. But he insisted I go with him and hand the wheelchairs to the children. So, I went to give these wheelchairs with my own hands. I saw the strange glow of happiness on the faces of these children. I saw them all sitting on the wheelchairs, moving around, and having fun. It was as if they had arrived at a picnic spot where they are sharing a jackpot winning. I felt REAL joy inside me. When I decided to leave, one of the kids grabbed my legs. I tried to free myself gently, but the child stared at my face and held my legs tightly. I bent down and asked the child: Do you need something else? The answer this child gave me not only made me happy but also changed my attitude of life completely. This child said: *"I want to remember your face so that when I meet you in heaven, I will be able to recognise you and thank you once again."*

**What would you be remembered for after you leave that office or place?
Will anyone desire to see your face again where it all matters?**

Ukrainian Refugees in Romania: CEO has joined many others in trying to help with the Crisis in the Ukraine. One of the ways we are doing it is by sending the financial resources needed to purchase food, medicine, and other necessities. Reinhard and Darcy Neufeld help run the Rasa Centre in Romania for women and children in need. They pick some of these women and children up at the border three hours away and provide food and shelter for them. The Centre presently houses 39 women and children.



Food for Ukrainian Refugees



Everyone is hurting, and hunger is a reality for the people still back in Ukraine. The grocery stores have nothing on their shelves, there is no food to buy. People are desperate and have tried going to other cities to find food, but there is little to nothing left.

If you would like to help support what Reinhard and Darcy Neufeld are doing through the Rasa centre, you can send a donation clearly indicating it is for Romania and we will get it to them. Continue to pray for them and all those being hurt by this current Crisis.

Excerpts from their recent update indicate that donations that have been sent over the past few weeks have been an incredible blessing and are enabling them to not only feed and care for the refugees in the Center, but also to send help to people still back in Ukraine. Last week they sent a truckload of supplies over the border, and this week Reinhard and Terence again filled up two large van loads of food and medical supplies. They set off at 4:00 am for the three-hour drive to the Ukraine border crossing, and then made their way to the village of Reni. One of the Ukrainian border guards who came over to inspect Terence's vehicle saw all the food and his eyes got wide. Terence quickly reacted to the situation and asked the guard if he would like some



Ukrainians Flee from War

Rwanda/Congo: Joseph Bagaza and Jake Friesen

We left Winnipeg heading to Rwanda and Congo and immediately the spiritual battle begun. The day of the departure our flight was delayed creating a chain reaction that led us to starting in Rwanda a day late. Upon arriving we were tested positive for covid. Officials told us we had to quarantine until our next test - 5 days away! If we tested positive again, we would have had to stay another 10 days. This would have taken half of our trip away from us! Glory to God, prayer works, and we were miraculously freed the next day. Continuing with the scheduled work preaching in churches, visiting a crisis pregnancy center, and bringing much needed resources and encouragement to those affected by the genocide. Jake and I had many opportunities to share a word of encouragement that with God as their hope, there is a better tomorrow despite today's struggles. There were so many tears seeing my people who have



Families United Again

been surviving the war for more than five years, yet still in love with Jesus and trusting Him after losing so much. It was God's miracle for my life to be back home in Congo as it was one of my dreams to go back to my homeland to bring support and help to my people who are suffering. The amount of need is overwhelming, but they all expressed their gratitude for the ministry's financial support and our coming from Canada just to bring a message of hope and comfort to them. That was a huge support spiritually and was needed as well. I really appreciate and will always appreciate your great love and support for me and our ministry. May the Lord our God continue to bless you and to enlarge your territory as you continue to empower our ministry and other ministries to keep expanding God's kingdom around the world. I also keep looking forward to seeing God doing more and more for his loving and needy people.



Pastors Conference

Peru Missions 2022: CEO is excited to report there is a team of 7 heading to Peru in May with Pastor Greg Weins and Global Vision 2020. The secondary focus of the team is to provide those in need with



extremely affordable glasses so they can see again. The primary goal is to train local leaders in Peru how to set up a clinic and keep it self-sustaining. Doing so not only provides for those who need glasses but also establishes a form of cash flow for those running the clinic. This creates a means to support one's family, the church, and the community. For example, the average pair of

prescription glasses in Peru costs \$100 USD which is much too costly for countless people stuck in poverty. With the total cost of a single pair of glasses from GV2020 only costing \$3 USD, the CEO Peru team can easily sell them for an affordable price while making enough to replenish their stock and provide an income. A case study of Greg's would be of one of their churches in Malawi who last year brought in \$65,000 from these little clinics. This was the life blood of the church during the pandemic and even allowed them to feed the poor, buy land, and expand.

Pastor Greg will be leading the team to Lima Peru with 3 cases of GV 2020 patented glasses, where they will be training 20-30 people all the requirements necessary for this impactful ministry. Each case contains 500 frames and pairs of lenses which can be suited to prescribe glasses to anyone on the spot in less than 15 minutes.



Winnipeg Team Preparing



Award Winning Patented Technology!

It's a simple process of using a seeing eye chart placed roughly 4 meters away from the participant. They are initially tested to see where their eyesight level is and the details are recorded. They then use the patented refractor lenses to test one eye at a time until they can see the lowest possible level of the chart with each eye. Finally, according to the numbers indicated on the refractor, a new set of prescription glasses are snapped together bringing "sight to the blind!" The team is currently raising funds both for their trip and for the third case of glasses. A case costs \$2500. Would you help 500 people see again with this investment?

Dominican Republic - Gertrude and Alix Jean-Paul

Our school in the Dominican Republic is operational and things are going well. We have 70 to 80 students attending. We just purchased a motorcycle to bring students to and from school. The motorcycle is also making it easier for grocery shopping and getting supplies for the school. What a blessing that we do not need to rely on the expensive public transport system anymore. Thanks to Walter Warkentin and Pastor Chala for resolving and managing the repairs that needed to be taken care of.



School Transport

Providing spiritual food and nutritious meals remain an important focus of all our programs.

The new elementary school is in full swing, and the community is very involved in the daily workings. The students are being taught the responsibility of keeping the classrooms and the school yard tidy. There are presently 70 students, 14 staff, and more students will be attending the next school year.

A NEW CHALLENGE: Namphy lives in a community that has a school of 130 students and 11 staff. This school is financially supported by Pastor Bo from Alaska who has been involved in Missions in Haiti since a young age. He travelled to Haiti a few times each year until the recent Pandemic. He is retiring and the person who managed the school recently died. He will continue to provide the financial support but is



At Risk of Losing Their Education

asking CEOM to manage the school. It is a matter of prayer as to how to proceed as the closure of the school will mean many of the students will no longer attend. Other schools are too far away, and the cost of transportation and fees are not affordable.

We have been praying for clarity as to what to do with the boys and girls. No school leads to gang affiliation and teen pregnancies. We are inspired by 1 Peter 4, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others" (NIV). We are so thankful to so many of you who have been doing far more than that to support our ministry.



Learning New Life Skills

Food Crisis: We are feeding hundreds (at times, over a thousand) of people in Haiti, Dominican, Honduras, Romania, Cuba, Ukraine, Guatemala, Rwanda, and Congo. Consider: if on average we can provide a meal for \$1 (most places costs more), and we feed 1000 people in a day then it would cost us \$30,000/month to feed the most desperately needy people in those countries. So, we need your help. This does not even take into account the medicine and other things we are doing like providing glasses to those who cannot afford them. How well would you do without glasses? **Please Pray! Please Give!**

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