

Vladimir, Welcome to the Family!



The angels in heaven were not the only ones rejoicing over a sinner who repented and was baptized last month; Pastor Maksim, with them, also rejoiced greatly. He said, "I fell to my knees and I thanked God!"

Maksim met Vladimir in 2014 while he was in the process of leaving the Jehovah's Witnesses after being a member for 20 years. His wife had died while they were still Witnesses. Vladimir began searching for truth after being very disappointed by the JW lies. He says that it took him a long time to get past all the lies, and he even found it hard to sleep some nights. He dealt with

depression and other issues as a result.

Vladimir found Maksim while he was investigating other groups that he had found online who didn't believe in the trinity. He was thrilled to meet Maksim and studied everything he could get his hands on for a long time as he didn't want to be deceived a second time. He and Maksim spoke at least monthly for SEVEN years!

Vladimir was and is especially grateful for the books and written material, like the *Focus* on the Kingdom magazine, because he lives where there is no internet. He had been living in a city in the Ulyanovsk Region, but then went to care for his grandmother in a tiny village. When she died, she left him her house in the village and Vladimir decided to stay there. He likes the quiet, simple life which allows him time for his thoughts. He plants potatoes and other things, living frugally off his disability pension (he has epilepsy and other health issues.)

To be baptized, Vladimir's neighbors had to drive him to a town that had a bus to the city where he took a train for two days to Omsk. He has relatives he could stay with in Omsk and this worked out great so Maksim didn't have to travel. (Please continue to pray for Maksim's health.) They rented out the pool at a local banya and Maksim baptized him and then they spent several days together.

Maksim said that it is such a joy and BIG blessing when people sincerely repent and want to obey, especially after investing your life and prayers in them for many years!

Please pray for our brethren in the Ukraine and Russia. There is serious conflict. Also, inflation has skyrocketed! The price of food and goods has increased 30%.

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\$3000 is needed for the printing of **1000 of each** of the following booklets:

- Who is Jesus?
- What Happens When We Die?
- Systematic Theology
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Who is Jesus & Systematic Theology

Teaching from the "Who is Jesus" Booklet



Thank you to all who responded so quickly for this printing need (*Who is Jesus*? booklets)! Our brethren in Pakistan were able to get several hundred booklets printed in time for their scheduled evangelism outreach. They are convinced that once the booklets are distributed, change will come!

Pastor Haroon was able to negotiate (long and hard) with the Muslim printers, to agree to printing a minimum of 200 booklets for the wholesale price. He told them that he would be back later to print more. **Please consider how you or your church could support this ongoing evangelism outreach.** The booklets are not just sitting in boxes or on a shelf, the church is getting them into hands of people who are willing to consider who Jesus really is, and they have had some good results already!

They also will be used in the classroom at the "Who is Jesus" class where they are training people to evangelize. At the moment the class has increased to 50 people!

They ask for prayers because when they preach these truths people can get violent and aggressive! (But they still share their faith, the precious truths they have found and given all up for!)

They tell me time and again how thrilled they were to receive this booklet in Urdu and to now have the opportunity to actually teach people with printed material. In addition to printing more *Who is Jesus?* booklets, they want to print the *What Happens When We Die* booklet as well. **Please continue donating to this ongoing need.**



Children Need Truth

Everybody needs truth. Truth saves. Truth brings hope and freedom. Truth changes lives!

Now before you say, "what about love?" let me say that love is one of the greatest truths! All of Jesus' teachings are truth, and we must strive to be faithful to them all, not compromising one for another.

Throughout my life I have seen people give up truth for "better" music, more entertainment, and bigger youth groups. **NONE of those things save!** Knowing, accepting, obeying, and loving truth is what saves, (2 Thess. 2:10) along with living LOVE. Biblical truth must be passed on to the next generation and should be a priority.

Our brethren in Pakistan have made this a priority. They want to reach the children and young people with the basic truth of who Jesus really is. **They see the next generation being grounded in truth and excited about truth as essential if to truly change the country!**

I just read the following in *The Voice of the Martyrs* email 4/10/2021:

In restricted nations and hostile areas, those who oppose the gospel often target children, knowing their spiritual formation is the key to future growth. <u>Islamists, Hindu radicals, Buddhist</u> fundamentalists and Marxists all prioritize reaching children as a strategic bridge to the future. In China, the Communist government prohibits religious instruction for anyone younger than 18, while in some African countries, Muslims offer free Islamic education to children in remote villages to lure them away from the Christian faith.

If Islamists, Hindus, Buddhists, and Marxists prioritize reaching children as a strategic bridge to the future, how much more ought Christians?! We need to get serious about training our youth in truth and righteousness, not only for their own salvation, but so they can stand against the radicals mentioned above and not be drawn into their faith or agenda. We must be the ones drawing others to Jesus' mission of proclaiming and preparing people for God's *coming* Kingdom. *(It isn't here yet and won't be until the King is seated on his throne in Jerusalem.)*

If Muslims, Hindis, Buddhists, and Marxists think they have something children will follow, how much stronger is Jesus' Kingdom message?! Don't wait for the schools or these radicals to indoctrinate children. If we do not build our youth up with firm foundations in biblical truth., others will build them up in their "truths."



I really enjoyed the bible study. I'm happy to have the chance to know more people with the same faith and it made me feel less alone. I'll try to join as often as I can. Thank you! (Indonesia)

Thank you so much for your Newsletter. This is a veritable source of inspirations for all Christian believers the world over. (Philippines)

We have seen a need for **Bible study and fellowship** for likeminded brethren, specifically women and young people, scattered around the States and World. *Email me for the Zoom Link if you or your children (ages 12+) are interested in joining us:* tracy@kogmissions.com



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