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Rejoicing with Mikhail



Brother Mikhail who was baptized in August will soon be baptizing his mother, Valerie. He and Maksim thank you for your earnest prayers for her.

They are both thrilled and grateful that she was able to escape the claws of the protestant church she left. Even after leaving their church and when she was studying the Bible with her son and Maksim, they continued to pressure her.

We rejoice with Valerie in this freedom and in receiving the true hope of the Kingdom!

Please pray for all people Maksim is talking to and discipling, every day at the hospital and then by phone and online all evening. There are MANY who are looking for this life that is truly life!

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Pakistan Update

Please continue to pray for the ministry in Pakistan, and for the school. Sarah is now teaching since Maryam is gone. The pastors help when they can as well.

After returning from the evangelism trip and taking a few days off for family, Haroon continues to work with the pastors and mentor the newer ones. There are five pastors who will continue the work when Haroon and the children join Maryam in the UK.

Thank you for your prayers for Maryam. She had surgery and praise God it was a benign cyst on the outside of her ovary, and not ovarian cancer!

Please continue to pray for God's direction and strength!

To help with Pakistan ministry expenses (booklet printing and travel), donate <u>here</u>.

Maksim shared his faith story at the Missions Conference and wrote afterwards, "I was infinitely glad to see my Christian international family! It was joyful to see your love and support through a computer screen from far away Russia. Although we are separated by vast distances of oceans and continents, our Great One God united us. It was one of the best days in my life. Thank you very much!"

He also told me after that he was greatly strengthened and felt our love through the screen and felt one with us all. He felt such inexpressible joy that when he went to bed, he was shedding tears of joy as he prayed. He likened that day to a surprise birthday after not expecting anything. He was very inspired and blessed. Please continue to pray for his health, for wisdom, and for strength.

(For those who didn't see and hear, we had several sisters who had been praying for him and encouraging him over the past months come on the livestream and share a few words of encouragement with Maksim. It was beautiful, especially seeing his smile!)

5th Annual Missions Conference God's Kingdom: Hope for the Nations

I extend a big THANK YOU to all the presenters and to those who joined us live! God's Kingdom is truly the only hope for the nations! Every presentation was excellent and inspiring, and it was amazing to see how God tied them all together!

Click <u>HERE</u> for all the individual replays and to read some of the great comments from viewers. (<u>kogmissions.com/online2022</u>)

We had presenters from Peru, Pakistan, Australia, New Zealand, and all over the U.S.A. Viewers also joined us from all over the world.

If you have even the slightest interest in missions, I would encourage you to watch all the presentations. They represented Jesus Kingdom mission well and will inspire you in your life and ministry.

Pastors, teachers, and church missions boards will benefit greatly and be encouraged in their service. Many of the presentations were very practical and would encourage any Christian.

If we are not preaching and teaching God's Kingdom message, first entrusted to Jesus, and then passed on to his followers, then we do not sound like Jesus and have dropped the ball.

My favorite quote was by David from New Zealand. It fanned my flame to serve even brighter. I wanted to stand up and cheer! He said, "I'm only 65 and Marlene is way more youthful than I am, so there is still hope that we can get back to the Solomon Islands and do more!"

I asked him what his advice was to the younger generation. He said, "Get vourself ready!"

So, what does that entail? How would someone get themselves ready as a Christian and as one who wants to serve, especially as a missionary (whether one trip or long-term)?

David and Marlene got themselves ready years ago when they gave up their house and a "normal" life to minister in the Solomon Islands. They got to know the people and customs. As David says, you eat with them and sleep with them (as they sleep). They also have learned Pigeon, which most of the islanders speak and understand. Now their big job is to learn how to share this Kingdom hope and who Jesus really is using only 300 words!

Please pray for them, for God's inspiration and provision as they prepare, and for patience as they wait for an open door to return.



When getting to know Marlene better (she attends the women's Bible fellowships), she shared with me how she felt when they came to believe and love the truth about the human Messiah Jesus, and the Kingdom hope. It happened about the time everything shut down due to COVID and they had to stop going to the Islands. She said, "I just got this truth. I don't want it to be over. We are just getting started!"

These words, just like David's at the conference, made my heart smile and warmed me up inside with great joy, as well as put a smile on my face from ear to ear!

This should be the attitude and heart of every believer who has been blessed with these precious truths. Not everyone is called to give up their life to the extent of some, but we are all called to sacrifice and serve as we can, and with what God has blessed us. Is it time (prayer)? Is it finances (supporting front-line work)? Or is it truly giving up the comforts and "normalness" of the life we have now to go or serve where He will lead? God calls all Christians to at least one of these Kingdom ministries, and all are important and necessary to get His Kingdom message out to the nations.

"It was such a blessing to be able to participate in such a fruitful conference setting. So many great insights were shared by folks with hearts inspired by God's spirit!"

"The Conference was such a blessing to everyone and of such high-quality presentations."

"Tracy your Face Always Lights Up It's really great to see that!!" And I humbly thank all who lit my face up and warmed my heart during this fantastic conference!



We are all so BLESSED to have a great teacher like you Anthony. You sound like Jesus, and the fact that you and Tracy always look so excited when speaking the TRUTH really encourages us all, thanks so much for all that you both bring to the table. The words of truth are way better than gold or silver!! You both are great mentors. Love you both!! God Bless! (YouTube Missions Conference) WATCH

Hey Tracy and Greg. Great discussion, so much wisdom and truth spoken. God bless! - Thank you, Greg and Tracy, for a brilliant, commonsense discussion! Well done! <u>LIVESTREAM</u> "Gender & the Woke Assault on Women"

Thanks, Tracy, for the hard work and sharing this Missions Conference on YouTube. (YouTube) (Go to Conference webpage for conference replays and to see some of the encouraging comments for the presentations.)

Thanks for all your efforts on the conference and your ministry. (Email)

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