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Intercessory Notes for Gavin & Glenda Williams Ministry Tour Sept – Dec 2009

On Monday 31 August, we embark on one of their most wide ranging ministry assignments to date. Our travels will take us to four continents encompassing seven countries over a period of 14 weeks. Your prayers are an important part of keeping us spiritually and physically protected during this intense period of ministry. These notes will enable you to follow our movements day by day throughout the journey.

Mon 31st Aug. We will leave our home at Budgewoi at around 12 noon to travel to Sydney's Mascot International Airport and fly on Qantas QF1 to Bangkok at 5.00pm. We will leave the flight in Bangkok and have 24 hours rest before flying on to London.

Wed 2nd Sept. Our flight for London departs at 0045am arriving in Heathrow International Airport at 7.00am. Our good friend Bernard Boreham will meet us and transport us through London traffic to their home in Kent and some jetlag catch-up.

Thurs 3rd Sept. After an easy day we meet up with Neal & Nicki Goodwin and travel to their home in the Midlands town of Rotheram.

Fri 4th Sept. A visit to Mattersey Hall, the Assembly of God Theological College, will enable us to meet with the Pastor of Neal and Nicki's church where we hope to develop some relationships for future ministry.

Sat 5th Sept. A day with Neal and Nicki whom we first met in Romania some years ago. They share our heart for Romania.

Sun 6th Sept. A morning journey to Ilkeston and meeting with old friends, Ps Phil and Sharon Pye. We will be ministering in the Arena Christian Church this morning. Following lunch we will return to Boreham's home in Kent.

Mon 7th Sept. Day of rest and preparation.

Tues 8th Sept. Today we will make our way across London by train and board our American Airways flight (AA 91) for Chicago departing at 4.30pm. We will arrive in Chicago around 7.30pm. Once through Customs and Immigration we will meet up with friends Chuck & Bekka Lehman. We expect to overnight in the Chicago area.

Wed 9th – Fri 18th Sept. A four hour drive to the south east of Chicago and we will be in northern Indiana. Our friends Chuck and Bekka have a heart to open doors for our ministry in this area. Perhaps the Lord might link us to people who have a heart to support our ministry. On Sunday 13th we will be ministering in the Converse Christian Church and also speaking at a community event on Sunday afternoon. There is also possibility of some radio programs. Please pray that the Lord will open doors and create divine appointments that will enable us to speak into His Kingdom and establish new relationships in this area. We also want our visit to be a blessing to Chuck and Bekka's *Rest Ministries*.

Fri 18th Sept. Today we fly to Boston (1.30 pm) where we will be met by our friends Bill and Christine Jeeves. We have this weekend with them and other friends in the New England area.

Sat 19th Sept. A day with Bill and Christine and hopefully catching up with other friends and supporters in New Hampshire.

Sun 20th Sept. An early morning drive from Salem will have us in Worster, Massachusetts where we will minister in Christ Baptist Church with our friend and supporter Rev Wally Tilleman. We also hope to catch up with folks at the Hillcrest Worship Centre over a 'potluck' lunch. Mid afternoon, Wally will drive us to Boston's Logan International Airport for our flight (AA 108) back to the UK departing at 7.10pm.

Mon 21st Sept. (Gavin's Birthday). We arrive at Heathrow International Airport at 7.00am and make our way by train to Boreham's home in Kent. We will probably sleep much of the day to catch up on a short and sleepless night in the air.

Tues 22nd Sept. A day off. This will be an opportunity for final preparation for our ministry in Romania and packing.

Wed. 23rd Sept. An early start from Boreham's home will see us return to Heathrow International Airport and board our 11.00am flight for Bucharest (BA886). On arrival at Bucharest (4.20 pm) we have a 4 hour wait to catch our internal flight to Suceava arriving at around 10.30pm and taken to our accommodation.

Thurs 24th to Sun 27th Sept. We are guest speakers at the Romanian Pentecostal Churches - Annual Missions Conference. We will be conducting three workshops: *The Spiritual Life of Christian Leaders and Missionaries*, *Developing a Heart for Missions in the Local Church* and *Supporting your Supporters (for Missionaries)*. Gavin will be the speaker at one of the Plenary Sessions of the Conference. We will also minister at local churches in the vicinity of the conference. We value your prayers for this time as we have to be incredibly sensitive to the very conservative culture that prevails in the churches of this area. Please pray for divine wisdom and sensitivity that will enable the Holy Spirit to work through us both.

Mon 28th Sept. An early start for the airport and a 6.20am flight to Bucharest. Here we will be met by the staff from the Romanian Centre for Cross Cultural Communications (aka: The Mission School) who will drive us the 4 hours to Constanta and our accommodation for the next few weeks. On arrival we will spend the rest of the day settling in and establishing ourselves. We are blessed to have the use of a small flat for the duration of our stay. Please pray that the Lord might find us a vehicle that we can use as it will make our movements and ministry much easier.

Tues 29th Sept to Sat 3rd Oct. As the Mission School does not commence until Monday 4th October, this week is free. We have many 'sons' and 'daughters' in this part of Romania and this will give us opportunity to spend time with some of them. This is a time of mentoring and encouragement. Please pray that the Lord will set up those appointments that are on His heart and will enable us to use this time very wisely to encourage many of his people.

Fri 2nd Oct. This is orientation day for the Mission School. We may have a role in taking devotions on this day. It will also be an opportunity to meet the new students who will be in our class this year.

Sat 3rd Oct. Free day to finalize preparation for Mission School.

Sun 4th Oct. Inaugural Service for the Mission School. This is always an important day as the new school year commences. Final details are still being processed but Gavin is sometimes asked to speak at this event.

Monday 5th to Friday 9th Oct. Missions School classes each day from 9.00am to 1.00pm. We will both be teaching each morning. Our classes include, *Personal Spiritual Development* (Gavin) and the *Names and Character of God* (Glenda). We will also have a one period group session each morning where we seek to help students get to know each other and come to understand something about their lives and journey with the Lord. In the past we have found some students whose experience of Christ is extremely limited. Others come from churches where the spirit of religion and profound legalism are deeply entrenched. The first few weeks of school life can be very confronting for them. As the first teachers they encounter, these can be very challenging times for us. Please pray very much for us during this period. We both need great wisdom and incredible spiritual insight to work our way through this time.

Fri 9th to Sun 11th Oct. Graduates Retreat. This weekend is always a highlight for us. Those who have graduated from the Mission School and who are ministering in the south east of Romania come together for fellowship and encouragement. It is a great time to speak into their lives and give them some well deserved 'time out' of situations that are usually very demanding. We are spiritual 'parents' for many of these young people and they are very dear to us both.

Mon 12th to Thurs 15th Oct. Back to the lecture program at the Mission School. This week we have two afternoon classes as well as the morning schedule. We value your prayers for our stamina and wisdom to know what we can and cannot accomplish in the limited time available.

Fri 16th Oct. Today we have to make our way from Constanta to Bucharest ready to catch our afternoon flight to London. Our flight departs Bucharest at 5.00pm and arrives Heathrow at 6.30pm (London time). On arrival we must make our way back to the Boreham's home in Kent, a two hour train journey.

Sat 17th Oct. A day off. Hallelujah!

Sun 18th Oct. Details are still being finalized, but we will probably be ministering in Brighton Road Baptist Church in Horsham, south of London. This church has been supporting the ministry of Deepgruha Foundation (our Indian ministry partners) for many years and this annual visit is an important part of maintaining their understanding of the ministry. We may have another service at which to speak on Sunday night.

Mon 19th Oct. Today we leave the UK for our ministry in Africa. Our flight to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia departs Heathrow at 5.00pm. The morning will be packing and a lunchtime departure by train will get us to Heathrow in time for our overnight flight.

Tues 20th Oct. On arrival at Addis Ababa we will be met by representatives of Meklit Gospel Ministry. This is a small indigenous mission group with a vision for Church planting throughout the nation. We are here to explore possibilities for

future partnership with them. Tuesday morning we will rest and then in the afternoon Meklit staff will take us on a familiarization tour of the capital city. We may even get to visit Dr Katherine Hamlin's Hospital on the River. Please pray that we will be sensitive to the voice of the Holy Spirit to understand His heart for our ongoing partnership with this group and in this country.

Wed 21st Oct. Today we travel about 70kms outside the capital to visit the site of the Hope Training Centre where Meklit Gospel Outreach are building their training centre. We will probably visit one or two rural churches along the way.

Thurs 22nd Oct. We will spend time with the staff of Meklit Gospel Ministry's in their head office. Some members of their board and other interested pastors may gather for a time of encouragement in the afternoon.

Fri 23rd Oct. Our flight from Addis Ababa to Entebbe Uganda departs at 11.30am. On arrival in Entebbe we hope to meet up with our friends Ps Silas and Nicola Tayebwa and enjoy a couple of days rest and fellowship before we head off for the next phase of SALT Schools.

Sat 24th Oct. Day off in Entebbe with Silas and Nicola

Sun 25th Oct. We expect to minister at the Redeemed of the Lord Central Church in Kampala. Pastor Robert Kasaija is a dear and trusted ministry partner. By 2.00pm we need to be on the road to Hoima, a 3-4 hour drive to the northwest of Kampala. Please pray for our safety and preparation for the SALT School.

Mon 26th - Fri 30th Oct. SALT HOIMA. This is Phase 5 of the SALT program and by now students are keenly anticipating their graduation in February. The excitement levels are high and interest keen. One of the features of this week will be the teaching of Ps Silas Tayebwa – *Evangelism* and Ps Nicola Tayebwa – *Inner Healing*. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights, Pastor Silas will preach a series of outdoor community evangelistic crusade meetings in the grounds of the church where our school is conducted. This will be a very demanding week for us all and we need your prayers for strength and protection from the enemy's strategies.

Fri 30th Oct. Following the completion of the SALT School at lunch time we will drive back to Kampala, a distance of about 200kms. Overnight in Kampala.

Sat 31st Oct. We drive 250kms to Mbarara and the home of Silas and Nicola. Major road works on this road make the journey very long, dusty and extremely arduous. Please pray for us and our vehicles.

Sun 1st Nov. Ministry in Mbarara. We would normally expect to be ministering at King of Kings Church on this day.

Mon 2nd to Fri 6th Nov. SALT Mbarara. This is our Phase 4 school with these students. We anticipate between 40 -45 students to return to the school. We will both be teaching and also Pastor Silas again teaching on Evangelism. This is always a great week as we are staying with our dear friends Silas and Nicola and working very closely with them.

Sat 7th Nov. Wedding Day. Today one of our Ugandan daughters, Gloria will be getting married to a fine young man. Gloria's own dad died several years ago and the rest of her family have been distant because of her strong faith. She looks to us as spiritual parents. It is a great joy for us to be at her wedding and to share it with her.

Sun 8th Nov. Ministry in Mbarara and around. We are both likely to be ministering at one of the churches led by our students today.

Mon 9th to Fri 13th Nov. SALT Ishaka. Ishaka is a town approximately 50kms west of Mbarara. Pastors John and Dianna Tindyebwa are working very hard to draw together a group of about 60 students to commence this school. We had a great time with about 40 at a preliminary school in May and now look to the formal commencement of the School this week. Please pray for us as we work through the inevitable teething problems of a new set of relationships.

Sat 14th – Sun 15th Nov. Today we must make our way back to Entebbe in preparation for our return to London. An early start from Mbarara and a six hour drive to Entebbe should have us at the airport at just the right time to catch our flight 5.00pm. It is an overnight flight with stops in Addis Ababa and Rome arriving at 7.15am Sunday morning. We then make our way across London to the Boreham's home in Kent. I am sure we will sleep some of the day away.

Mon 16th Nov. A day of Rest. Packing to leave London for the final time this year.

Tues 17th Nov. An early start onto the London trains for our journey to Heathrow and our British Airways flight BA139 to Mumbai departing at 10.30am. This is the only part of the journey where we could face luggage weight challenges. Please pray for our speedy passage through the Heathrow check in terminals. We will arrive in Mumbai just after midnight on Wednesday morning to be met by our colleague Rev Prabhakar Salway. He has arranged accommodation at the YMCA.

Wed 18th Nov. Once the worst of the Mumbai morning traffic has passed, we will make our way inland to Pune and join our friends Pastor Joshua and Esther Motiwala of the Abundant Life Church in Pune. We will be with them for several days. Wednesday night is an outreach meeting in town where Gavin usually ministers. Ministering in India is always a challenge especially at the end of a long ministry tour when our bodies and spirits are tried. Please pray for special anointing to be able to meet the challenges of the journey and still speak with freshness and spiritual fervour.

Thur 19th to Sat 21st Nov. We will be with Pastor Joshua and Esther. Quite what they will have in store for us is unknown at present. But one thing you can be sure of, they will make the most of our time with them. Late on Saturday night, Pastor David Deal of the Regents Park Community Church in Sydney will fly into Mumbai. He will be met by our colleague Prabhakar and escorted to Pune to meet up with us on Sunday. Please pray especially for David in this first visit to India. Pray that the Lord will keep him well protected from the many challenges to his health.

Sun 22nd Nov. Sunday service at Abundant Life Fellowship is always a most memorable time. Please pray for real spiritual anointing as we both speak into the lives of the people there. Hopefully Pastor David and Prabhakar will join us before the end of the Service. After lunch we will travel about 2 hours further inland to Mukti Mission where Gavin's Aunt – Miss Margaret Williams lives. Gavin and Glenda will be staying there and Pastor David will go about one hour on to the home of Prabhakar and Sandhya in Daund.

Mon. 23rd Nov. A day around Mukti. This will be time with Gavin's aunt who usually has a long list of odd jobs for Mr & Mrs Fixit to attend to. David will be with Prabhakar in Daund.

Tues 24th Nov. Late tonight Gavin, David and Prabhakar will climb aboard an overnight train bound for Badnera in Central India. Train travel is always a challenge and this will be David's first experience of an Indian train. He will need extra grace.

Wed 25th Nov. After settling into our accommodation, we will head out to meet some of our team who work among the Korku Tribal people in the villages around Paratwada.

Thurs 26th Nov. The early part of the day will be taken up visiting villages before the people head off to work in the fields around 10.00am. We may well have a get together with the local staff and volunteers over the rest of the day.

Fri 27th Nov. After a morning in other villages we make our way back to Badnera to catch a mid afternoon train back to Daund and Mukti. This train arrives at 4.00am.

Sat 28th Nov. At Mukti Mission with Aunt Margaret and friends

Sun 29th Nov. Today we hope to visit the Bhil villages where the newest phase of our work is carried on. We have to keep our plans very quiet even from the folks we are visiting as local radicals oppose the work in this area. Please pray for wisdom and safety.

Mon 30th Nov. This morning we make our way from Mukti to Lonavala (about 4 hours by train) to meet up with our spiritual son & daughter, Sanal and Minal Thomas who work with YWAM. We will have the rest of today with them.

Tues 1st Dec. (Our Wedding Anniversary). We will be with Sanal and Minal and David on the YWAM Base and may well be asked to minister to staff in some way. At the stage of writing these notes, all of that is still several months away.

Wed 2nd Dec. Time to begin the journey home to Australia. It will be an early morning departure from Lonavala for the 3 hour journey to the Airport by 8.00am. Back on Qantas (flight QF52 departing 10.25am) we fly to Singapore and then onward to Sydney, arriving at 6.30am on Thursday 3rd. Once clear of customs and immigration we can begin the journey back to Budgewoi. By late morning we will be at home praising the Lord for bringing us safely through another journey.

For all who have shared this journey through your faithful prayers, we say a very heartfelt **THANK YOU**. You are a vital part of the team and we praise God for you. Hopefully we will have the newsletter in your hands within a couple of weeks.

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