



THE BEACON

The Newsletter of LtTN Ministries Inc

By the Grace of God

As LtTN Ministries celebrates our sixth year of operation, we give thanks and praise to God for all that He has done.

In recent years a new definition of Grace has emerged. Many now believe that the word 'grace' speaks of the *Empowering presence of Christ within us that enables us to be all that He created us to be and to do all that He has called us to do.*

For Gavin and Glenda and the LtTN Team, that definition perfectly describes God's work of grace in our lives.

We have seen this 'grace' at work empowering us to achieve more than we could ever have humanly expected.

We have seen this 'grace' at work enabling us to endure circumstances and situations that at times seemed unendurable.

We have seen this 'grace' at work miraculously providing for our needs, often in ways and through people whom we could never have anticipated.

We have seen this 'grace' working through us into the lives of people in ways that we could never have dreamed.

Yes, His empowering presence has been very real and we give all the glory to God.

The financial year of 2007-08 has been a difficult time for many mission organizations. Rising interest rates and cost of living has cut into the resources people



have available to give.

LtTN has not been immune to those pressures. Our overall income was down significantly on the previous year. At the same time the cost of fulfilling our calling has increased. Rising fuel costs has had a dramatic impact on airfares and ground transpor-

tation and indeed almost every area of life. But God is faithful.

While it is good to look back and evaluate our effectiveness, it is more important to look forward to see where God's leading.

In Uganda, SALT Schools are multiplying. Christian leaders in Zambia ask for our continued involvement. The task in India becomes more difficult as religious militancy rises. From other countries in East Africa comes a Macedonian Call— *Please come and help us.* The need is great.

We step forward confident that the One who began this good work will bring it to completion in His own way and His own time.

We step forward confident that as we keep to the rhythm of the Spirit He will lead us to each place and people at His right moment.

We step forward confident that the prayer and support of many friends sustain us along the way. Without you none of this would have been possible. Thank You for being part of the LtTN Ministries Team and for sharing the journey with us.

Rhythm of the Spirit

Sensing God's heartbeat and breath is something the servant of God must learn. The Lord has had us on a learning curve in relation to our flight bookings. A booking made too soon might miss a special offer. A booking made too late might sustain a major increase due to rising costs. It is so important to move at just the right moment.

During this past year He has taught us more about walking in the Rhythm of the Spirit particularly in regard to travel arrangements. Waiting for His moment; resisting the temptation to step until the peace of the Spirit reigns within. And then experiencing the joy of knowing you are in His perfect will. It is an exciting journey of faith.

Points of Interest:

- > LtTN Ministries has now been in operation for over 6 years.
- > Our current ministry fields include India, Romania, Uganda and Zambia
- > Each country and culture requires different strategies and approaches
- > LtTN depends on the miracles of God through His people

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Another Journey Begins



Ladies from the Bhil tribal group in India

We are so thankful to all who have given to make this trip possible

The time seems to come around so quickly. It seems like just a few weeks ago that we landed back from almost 3 months in Africa. Now it is time to set off again.

On Wednesday 10th September we board Qantas QF64 for Mumbai at the commencement of a missionary assignment that will take us right around the world.

Stop 1 is India where we will be for just two weeks. The first few days we will teach in a Basic School of Leadership for Youth With a Mission in Lonavala. We love working with YWAM and especially Sanal and Minal Thomas, our spiritual son and daughter who are on the staff at the base.

From there we go to be with Gavin's Aunt Margaret at Mukti Mission. This will be our base for the remainder of the time. While Glenda attends to matters around Mukti, Gavin will minister in a Bible School and fulfill responsibilities with the Deepgruha Foundation—our ministry to un-reached tribal people.

Departing India on September 25th, we head to Uganda via Dubai. Over the next three weeks we will conduct three SALT Schools. The first is SALT II for the Redeemed of the Lord Evangelistic Churches in Hoima.

Then it is the long journey south firstly to Kampala (200kms) and onward to Mbarara (250kms) to join our friends Silas & Nicola Tayebwa of King of Kings Ministries International. In Mbarara we will launch the next SALT School. So far almost 100 pastors and leaders have registered to attend.

Then we return to Kampala and the start of the next SALT School for the Baptist Union of Uganda. We anticipate approximately 60 pastors to be enrolled.

At the completion of our time in Uganda we head back to Dubai and catch the flight for London. Here we have a few days to rest before heading out to Romania on Friday 24th October.

In Romania we have a range of ministries. Our primary assign-

ment is to teach the new students at the *Romanian Centre for Cross Cultural Communications* a Bible School training young missionaries. We will teach four lectures each day, Monday to Friday for three weeks.

On the weekends we will be visiting former students, conducting a Graduates Retreat and also a leadership retreat for one of the very vibrant churches. Never a dull moment.

We return to the UK on Monday 17th November and rest for few days before heading to the USA on Friday 21 November. Here we visit friends and supporters and hopefully minister in a church which has previously shown interest in our work. We return to Australia on Thursday 27th November.

We are so thankful to all who have given to make this trip possible. Now we seek your prayer covering as we give our best to fulfill the assignments the Lord has set before us.

Teamwork Makes a Difference



A Great Team.
Gavin & Glenda with
Ps Tom & Juliette Galiwango
of Uganda and
Ps David & Leanne Paroz
of Queensland

Effective missionary enterprise requires team work. We all recognize the missionary who boards the plane and heads out to distant lands. But the missionary is only the visible part of a much more extensive team.

On the field, every missionary requires field partners. They must be servant hearted people of impeccable integrity who are willing to serve a cause that is bigger than themselves. They must be selfless people who seek the Kingdom of God as first priority. Such people are often difficult to find but once found are a precious treasure.

The home team is an even more important part of the partnership. Departing from England to India in 1793, William Carey said, *"We'll go down. You hold the ropes."* Missionaries need 'rope holders'.

The home team provides the essential prayer covering without which no missionary is safe. The enemy is looking for every possible way to undermine and destroy God's servants. Prayer is the only shield that will ward off his attack.

The home team provide the essential financial support without which no missionary can operate. Some are able to give generously out of their ample supply. Many more give sacrificially out of their more limited means. God uses every gift as part of the provision for His work.

The home team provide the encouragement through letters and emails which seem to arrive at just the right moment to lift a flagging spirit.

Never underestimate the part you are able to play. You are part of an important team.

Intercessory Notes for India, Uganda and Romania

For Daily Prayer:

- For strength, health and safety for Gavin & Glenda as they travel to distant lands and in often trying circumstances.
- For the smooth flow of all arrangements throughout the journey.
- For their family and home in Australia.

September

Wednesday 10: Travel on Qantas QF 64 leaving Sydney 10.30am and arriving Mumbai (Bombay) at 6.00pm. A further 4 hours travel by road to YWAM in Lonavala. Pray for rest along the way.

Thursday 11 & Friday 12: Teaching at Basic Leadership School for Youth With a Mission in Lonavala. Pray for our strength after the long journey.

Saturday 13: Today we have special time with Sanal & Minal Thomas whom we support and mentor. Later in the day we travel to Pune.

Sunday 14: Preaching at Abundant Life Church in Pune. The Marathi translation of *Appointment with Jesus* will be launched today. Travel to Kedgaon by road (approximately 2 hours)

Monday 15: Day off in the home of Gavin's Aunt—Margaret Williams in Pandita Ramabai Mukti Mission.

Tuesday 16: While Glenda ministers at Mukti Mission, Gavin heads to town with Prabhakar Salway for banking and business affairs to do with the Deepgruha Foundation.

Wednesday 17 & Thursday 18: Gavin will be teaching at a Bible School which trains workers for ministry in village areas of Maharashtra State.

Friday 19 & Saturday 20: Rest and ministry at Mukti Mission

Sunday 21: Gavin preaches at the Mukti Church and then G & G travel with Prabhakar to the Bhil Tribal field about 2 hours drive. Ministry with the Bhil people. It is also Gavin's birthday.

Monday 22: Gavin and Prabhakar will write the Newsletter for Deepgruha Foundation.

Tuesday 23: The Board of Deepgruha Foundation meets today at Mukti Mission. Pray for wisdom as Gavin advises the board on sensitive issues.

Wednesday 24: A day of farewells and packing. We will leave Mukti late afternoon to fight our way through Pune and Mumbai traffic enroute to the airport. It will be a long sleepless night.

Thursday 25: Our flight for Dubai and onward to Entebbe Uganda departs at 4.30am. We arrive in Uganda at 3.00pm and drive to Kampala.

Friday 26: A day of refreshing our contacts in Uganda as we gear up for the ministry of the next three weeks.

Saturday 27: SALT School Day of Introduction for pastors considering joining the SALT School for Baptist Pastors of the Central Region. The school will commence on Monday 14 October.

Sunday 28: Preaching at 2 services for the Redeemed of the Lord Evangelistic Churches in Kampala. Then we drive 200 to Hoima in preparation for the commencement of SALT II.

Monday 29 to Friday 3 October: SALT School (phase II) Hoima with 70plus pastors and leaders. Our co teacher this week is Pastor Robert Kasaija, leader of the Redeemed of the Lord Churches. We drive back to Kampala late on Friday afternoon.

October

Saturday 4: In the morning we will go to Kampala City to catch up on emails and other business arrangements. In the afternoon we travel 6 hours to Mbarara.

Sunday 5: Trying to take things a bit easy as we prepare for the new SALT School in Mbarara. We will probably be preaching at King of Kings Church.

Monday 6 to Friday 10: Salt School (Phase I) Mbarara. We expect anything from 60 to 100 pastors and leaders to attend. Please pray for these students as they settle in to the SALT culture.

Saturday 11: Day of Rest with friends Silas & Nicola Tayebwa

Sunday 12: Much as we dislike travelling on Sunday, this will be our only opportunity to return to Kampala and be ready to commence the new SALT School on Monday.

Monday 13 to Friday 17: SALT School (Phase I) in Kampala for Baptist Pastors from the Central Region of Uganda. We will need a special release of strength for this school after the ministry that has preceded.

Saturday 18: Day of Rest at Entebbe

Sunday 19: Preparations to leave Uganda on the 4.15pm flight to Dubai arriving at 12:45am. Hopefully we can get a hotel room at the airport.

Monday 20: Our flight to London departs at 9.00am. We arrive in London at 3.00pm to make our way across the city in peak hour traffic to our friends home at Beckenham in Kent (SE London).

Tuesday 21 to Thursday 23: Time to rest and be refreshed in the home of Bernard and Sandra Boreham. Nothing much planned except rest.

Friday 24: Travel to Romania: We must leave Borehams at around 6.00am to ensure we miss the worst of London traffic and arrive in time for our 10.00am flight. Arrive in Bucharest at 3.10pm and then travel about 4 hours by road to Constanta on the Black Sea coast. While in Constanta we will be staying with friends Ps Trian and Elena Pascalau.

Saturday 25: Settling in and recovering from the day before.

Sunday 26: Today we will probably preach at the Good News Church where Trian is the pastor.

Monday 27 to Friday 31: Teaching in the *Romanian Centre for Cross Cultural Studies*. We will teach 4 lectures each day for the next three weeks: *Personal Spiritual Development* (Gavin & Glenda) (2), *The Names and Character of God* (Glenda) (1) and *Introduction to Spiritual Warfare* (Gavin) (1). Please pray for us as we get to know a new group of students and face some of the challenges of teaching a group who are new to the thought that there may be other perspectives on truth than just the very narrow and legalistic view in which most of them have been raised and spiritually nurtured. We will need great patience and love. Please pray for opportunities to get to know these students as friends as well as in the class room.

November

Saturday 1 & Sunday 2. No advanced plans for this weekend but we do have a number of families and former students who will want us to visit them and share their lives for a couple of days. The challenge is to whom do we give our only free weekend. Pray that we will act wisely.

We're on the Web:

www.lttministries.org.au

Prayer Requests:

- Praise God For His provision of all the resources needed for this ministry trip.
- Our faithful data projector died at the end of the last trip. Praise God for the new projector that has been provided.
- Planning is already in hand for the first ministry tour of 2009. We even have our tickets from Australia to South Africa. Praise God! Please pray for the ongoing planning and coordination process.
- It would be incredibly wonderful to have a vehicle of our own in Uganda. Humanly speaking it is impossible. But with God nothing is impossible. Will you pray with us to see God do something bigger than our imagination.
- Please pray for our family while we are away. We miss them terribly.

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Intercessory Notes (continued)

November (continued)

Monday 3 to Friday 7: Teaching in the *Romanian Centre for Cross Cultural Studies*. We continue to teach 4 lectures each day: *Personal Spiritual Development* (Gavin & Glenda) (2), *The Names and Character of God* (Glenda) (1) and *Introduction to Spiritual Warfare* (Gavin) (1). By now we are getting to know our students and some of the personal needs behind their outward masks and shows of defiance. Please pray that the Spirit will give great power to our words and that our life model will break through the resistance our 'difference' often causes. Pray especially for Glenda who at times endures a lack of cooperation by men who have been taught that women are to be seen and not heard in the church.

Friday 7 to Sunday 9: Graduates Retreat. This weekend is often the highlight of our time in Romania. Spiritual sons and daughters from our previous years of ministry in Romania gather at the Mission School for a weekend of fun, fellowship and spiritual inspiration. We listen to their stories and share their joy and tears. We meet new children and new spouses. Again we need great wisdom as we are sometimes asked to give advice on very personal matters.

Monday 10 to Friday 14: Teaching in the *Romanian Centre for Cross Cultural Studies*. This is our final week with this group of students as the course is now only one year. Hopefully by this stage they have come to trust us and are willing to allow the Spirit to touch them through us.

Friday 14 to Sunday 16: Leadership Retreat with the Good News Church. We will be going away with Ps Trian and Elena and their key leaders for a weekend of spiritual challenge. Please pray that the Lord will anoint both our lives and our words to this vital group of people.

Monday 17: We travel from Constanta to Bucharest by road ready to catch our 3:40pm flight to London arriving at 5:15pm—London peak hour.

Tuesday 18 to Thursday 20: A break in London.

Friday 21: We fly from London to Boston to meet up with some friends and supporters who live in the beautiful New England area.

Saturday 22 & Sunday 23: In New England. We may be ministering in a church on Sunday if arrangements can be finalized.

Monday 24: Today we fly from Boston to Los Angeles via Dallas /Fort Worth. This is the busiest week for air travel in the USA as millions of people try to get home for Thanksgiving. We will overnight in Los Angeles.

Tuesday: 25: Time for some last minute Christmas shopping before catching our 10.30pm flight to Australia. It just might be one of those new Airbus A380 double decker aircraft.

Wednesday 26: This is where we loose a day altogether thanks to the International Date Line. Don't stop praying.

Thursday 27: We land in Sydney at 8.10am after a 14 hour flight. Once we clear customs and quarantine it's a 2 hour drive to Budgewoi and we are home again at the end of another epic journey.

The next two weeks will be filled with family reunions, administrative catch up and getting the newsletter out. We celebrate our 35th wedding anniversary on December 1st. Hopefully by December 8th we can stand down for a good few weeks and recharge the batteries ready for the ministry of 2009. Gavin is scheduled to depart for Uganda with two other pastors on Thursday 6th February. Glenda will join him late in February.

Thanks for Praying