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*Dear Friends,*

**TT – Travelling Together’ (30)**

November 2011

Our previous ‘TT’ ended with the sentence “... we are confident that He will carry us through and we are excited about how He will help us!” We had no idea then that our dear **Mother Hoprich** would depart from us so suddenly and unexpectedly on 25<sup>th</sup> October and what a challenge it would be to be at her side and to say goodbye to her! **The funeral took place Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** and as an extended family we are trusting in HIS comfort and HIS enabling for us to work through the loss and the grief! In the coming months there will be many things to sort out – and some vital decisions to be made. In all of this we know that we are being carried by the love of our risen LORD and by your prayers for us. **We GIVE THANKS also** for your overwhelming sympathy – every message whether by e-mail, letter or phone call or those who have lovingly put their arms round us – they mean so much to us! It simply does us good to know that we are **part of the ‘worldwide family of God’!**

#### **On the road...**

The short deputation tour that we made to Swabia at the beginning of October was a great encouragement to us and we are glad to remember that time – meeting people, catching up with old friends... and finally the enjoyable time we spent with Mother and Grandmother Hoprich. Time after time at our various meetings someone would come up to us and say, “**You might not know me personally, but I pray for you every day!**” Such unmerited grace!

#### **“Help in a crisis...”**

After our time in Germany we dived back into our work here in Burgenland. This past week Hans-Georg was back in action with the Emergency Response Team. The father of two small children wanted to take his own life because of the ongoing conflict in his marriage – the children were troubled and the wife was at the end of her tether... Just in these last few days three families in Burgenland and Lower Austria have been brutally wiped out (in each case the husband first shooting his wife and then himself...). We are often so shocked at what goes on in these families! So much healing is needed in this land!

#### **“Help for East Africa...”**

This is the name of the fund-raising scheme which our association of churches has organised. Up till now **about €30.000,- has been given** and passed on directly to the affected area ([www.hilfedieankommt.at](http://www.hilfedieankommt.at)). As well as many smaller and greater amounts given by individual people, quite a few churches have taken up a special harvest festival offering. This is the **actual reply sent by one of our BEG churches**: “First of all, thank you for your quick response in sending us the information about East Africa. We are only a small fellowship and a lot of people were thinking, “We’ve already given money for Africa and not many of us will give much or want to buy the items...” etc, etc. In the run-up to the harvest festival it looked really unpromising. Although various people had said they would donate something that could be sold, on the Sunday itself we were totally overwhelmed by the sheer quantity of items that filled up the tables. Every one was glad to make a contribution, and in the end the proceeds of the sale and the donations for Africa amounted to €510! We never thought it could be that much! And this was in addition to our regular offering for church expenses!

The money will be sent soon and we thank our Lord Jesus that HE gave us all so much encouragement that Sunday!”

#### **Please could you pray...**

This coming weekend (6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> November.), following his mother’s funeral, Hans-Georg is taking part in the **PIONEERS Central Europe Board Meetings in Budapest, Hungary.**

Much wisdom is needed as well as mutual cultural understanding in the discussions that will arise.

On 11<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> November the **annual meeting of delegates** from our Association of Evangelical Churches in Austria (BEG) is taking place in Bad Aussee (S.E. of Salzburg).

We in the **Foreign Missions Team (TAM)** are glad to be able to present an Austrian-Canadian couple to the delegates on this occasion. **The Pingist family** is waiting in the wings for a long-term placement with the Open Air Campaigners in Brazil.

On 12<sup>th</sup> November Margret is the speaker at a ladies’ breakfast meeting in the **Aspern district of Vienna** (speaking on ‘Keeping in good health, that’s the main thing...or is it?’). **Please pray** particularly for her friend Thirza who will be providing the music and giving a word of testimony. She herself had been treated for cancer and sometimes her health is not good.

15<sup>th</sup> November Margret has been invited to sing with a ladies’ group in the Croat-speaking village of Trausdorf near Eisenstadt. **It is our wish** that God’s Word will touch the hearts of the women and do something new in their lives.

The weekend of 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> November we have further training with the Crisis Intervention Team as well as a **preaching engagement in Tulln, Lower Austria.** We would seek good contacts and conversations with our fellow team members during the training days, as some of them are very far from the Christian faith!

**Please pray** for us during the weekend after that (25<sup>th</sup>–27<sup>th</sup> November) as Hans-Georg will be involved in various meetings with a **Nuremberg church** and making some personal visits in the surrounding area.

We hope that you will have time as the year starts to draw to an end to look back with thanks.

May JESUS the Light of the World and the joyful anticipation of Christmas shine into the dark days of November – and into the darkness in people’s hearts!

**We would be very glad to have your prayer requests as well!**



With love

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