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"Seek peace and pursue it!" (Psalm 34:14)

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The Lord Jesus Christ said, "Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." Mt 28:20 Nothing sums up more strikingly the events surrounding Jesus's resurrection: The stone has been moved away and the grave is empty! Just an additional word in the statement, inconspicuous, and yet a crucial comment, an order even: 'Lo' means BEHOLD! Look! Perceive! Open your eyes! Start looking so that you will discover: "I am with you!" Looking, perceiving and discovering that Jesus Christ is with us in our lives and our everyday existence. No one in this world has to feel they are utterly alone and abandoned by God. There is no place where His helping hand cannot reach. Regardless of the situations which HE leads us into. Regardless of the tasks He asks of us and the people and experiences that HE brings across our path. Regardless of how overwhelmed we are. In all of this Jesus is with us! And He IS the Almighty! With this promise there is no time limit. It does not cease at the end of life of HIS people. It carries on to the close of this age. HIS promise is the invitation to count on HIM. Wholeheartedly and full of expectation. How good it is that Jesus is Himself involved in all this. And in all of us, HIS followers He goes with us. Unparalleled final words, and what is more: the start of all new life, the foundation of our faith, the central promise to HIS worldwide church: "I am with you!" That's sufficient for us!

To The Netherlands and back...

We have had an eventful time just recently and we've covered many miles... D-Korntal: we look back with great gratitude on the comprehensive Member Care Course that we have now completed at the Academy for World Mission in Korntal. We started it in Sept. 2018 and we have now completed six separate modules. This has given us a good "tool" for the complex challenges of advising and supporting our fellow workers in missionary service. NL-Hilversum: Two very full days getting to know the 'crew' at the Pioneers Europe office and sharing with them. At the same time, we were allocated nine new Dutch co-workers who are with "Ar.ab World Ministries" (AWM) which is associated with Pioneers. Cornerstone: On the way to Holland we had a stopover near the border to see our DMG colleagues, the Auer family, who are working at www.cornerstonecollege.eu. We valued the chance to meet the international students and staff. Everything about it reminded us of our time at All Nations Christian College where we studied from '82-'84 (www.allnations.ac.uk). D-Remstal: What a joy it was to see again our friends and sup-Porters after a number of years! It lifted our hearts! After the evening house group meeting we got to know Betsie, a dear young Mum with three small children. She has advanced cancer. We talked and prayed together, we cooked and ate with her children and said goodbye having encouraged one another! Betsie would be glad of your prayers. D-Buchenauerhof: The discussions and time of sharing with the DMG leadership with regard to our newly started period of ministry was informative and important. With the co-operation between the individual missionary organisations, there are still some things to be clarified!

At the moment we're right in the thick of it...

We are in a position now to make personal contact with a good number of the missionaries around the globe that have been allocated to us, e.g. in Mexico, India and Mongolia; some are a bit nearer: In the Balkans and eastern Europe. Together with you we are praying for a good basis of trust, openness and helpful meetings with the various co-workers. Also they are from various different cultural backgrounds, all of which requires particular awareness, a lot of sympathy, time for active listening and reflecting on things together. Almost every day there are conversations via Skype & WhatsApp. We are particularly looking forward to the big "EuroConnect" Conference (24th Apr.-3rd May) with ca. 300 Pioneers Workers in Portoroz, Slovenia. There we will get to know many PIEU missionaries from our area of work and start connecting with them. During this time we are staying with our dear friends Josip & Sofija Cukic in HR-Umag (Croatia), near the border with Slovenia. We were able to support them for many years in their church planting work. On 5th May Hans-Georg will be preaching at their church... All this is, of course: God willing!

News from the Eisenstadt Forum www.forum-eisenstadt.at

Do you remember our three-week Advent & Christmas project: "Cup of Joy"? An empty former mobile phone shop was turned into 'Pop–Up Shop' in the pedestrian zone, with a meeting room, church service venue, café, youth meeting place. At least three new people have been coming along regularly to our services ever since. This joint action has really brought our fellowship together. There is now a desire to take this further and we have devoted much prayer to it! At the same time, we have come across an affordable property to rent in the centre of Eisenstadt. In the meantime plans for "Cup of Joy 2.0" have really got going. It is to be a self–financing meeting café with the offer of counselling or simply someone to talk to (see attachment for further information).

There's so much more to report... there'll be more in our next TT (116)...

It won't be long now before we'll be celebrating the resurrection of the Lord Jesus!
The message that insoluble situations such as death do not have the final word.
What an indescribable hope we share with you, a hope that we can pass on to others around us!
MANY, MANY THANKS for all your prayers, all your financial support and so much more!
You are great at being 'encouragers' and 'enablers' for us!

Wishing you all a happy and blessed Easter-time!

Yours in His service, Hans-Georg & Margret

,Prayercorner'

Praise God for...

- "I am with you!"
- Safekeeping on our travels
- · People we meet on our travels
- You our faithful 'team members' Please pray for...
- Building up the Member Care work
- · Betsie & her family
- "Cup of Joy 2.0"
- Melinda, 6th Grandch., born Apr. 14th

What are you occupied with? What would you like us to pray for?

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