

# TT – Travelling Together (131)

„I believe. Help my unbelief!” Mark 9:24

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**“I will praise you; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvellous are your works and that my soul knows right well.” Psalm 139:14** – A human being – God’s masterpiece. Our brains are

unique in the universe: 86 billion brain cells, 3,625,000 miles (5,800,000 km) of neural pathways, about 625,000 miles (100,000 km) of blood vessels – which would go round the world two and a half times! We are transitory – that’s not so wonderful... But we **are** wonderfully made. And that doesn’t change, in spite of our faults and signs of decline! Beauty is in the **eyes of the beholder**: God looks on us lovingly. And HE still does miracles in us. In the Lord Jesus HE became one of us. HE came to make us new. By HIS death, Jesus dealt with our sin. By HIS resurrection, HE has won victory over our death. HE promises us a new heaven and a new earth, a new eternal life! This **exceeds everything** that the Psalmist David was so grateful for. Whoever trusts in Jesus, God looks on us lovingly as He sees HIM. Whoever lives with HIM now can be with HIM for ever. Because HE accepts us, we can also accept ourselves. What a gift it is to be **accepted, loved and looked on** in this way! My soul is joyful in knowing this: God’s works are marvellous! **THANK YOU, LORD!**

**A good place to break the journey...**

A number of our colleagues and co-workers from different partner organisations are working in eastern and southern Europe. When they make the long trip by road, we’re in a good position here in eastern Austria for them to break their journey and come and see us. Sometimes friends look in on us while on holiday in the Lake Neusiedl region or elsewhere in our country. It’s a great delight to offer them a bed for the night, a meal or a coffee break. It’s really lovely when we can even spend **a whole day together...** E.g., two DMG ladies who are serving in Romania were our guests – or a dear Swiss family that we know who were on their way to Serbia. In each case, they spent the night with us before travelling on. We find these brief chances to meet up a great blessing and the precious time of fellowship and sharing means so much to us. **You are really welcome to come and see us!**

**The Coronavirus and the opportunities!**

We’re so encouraged by the many really creative ways that have been found to share Jesus with the people around us. Here are a few examples: We were on a free **30-day online Member Care course** – in the end there were **over 4000 participants from all over the world**. This course is now being translated into Russian, Ukrainian, Indonesian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Spanish and Portuguese... Small events have **reached a long way through live-streaming**. Events for young people often have a lot of feedback with many searching questions! With **open air services** people who were just walking by became curious and found it spoke to them on a personal level. In many cases, they were people who haven’t been inside a church in a long time... About a hundred people turned up at a “drive in” church service. From the platform, you could hardly see their faces, just lots of cars with people listening on headphones! A number of people were standing around in the carpark wanting to know what was going on and ended up following this very special service with its clear message. **Podcasts and ‘short inputs’** are often clicked on over a thousand times, a number of which are by people who are going through difficult times... **Christian audio books** are being down-loaded many times and eagerly listened to by people out jogging or on car journeys... And there’s so much more! **Would you like to share YOUR experiences?**

**Our Pioneers Europe (PIEU) Team...**

We are coming across situations like the following: A young man introduced himself in a video call: He had found Jesus four years ago. His child-like faith and his passion for world mission have touched us all deeply! “I have read God’s Word and I would like to follow Jesus. When HE says that we should go into all the world and make disciples, **then I would like to do exactly that!** I would like to work among people who have yet to hear the Gospel. Even if that means I have to stay single or even at the cost of my life! What opportunities do Pioneers have for me?” Wow! Now the PIEU team has the great privilege of finding him a suitable place somewhere in the world. **Our special task** is to **advise, encourage and support** him as he goes through the process of preparation and later in his country of service. Many heartfelt THANKS that this is possible through your support and prayers!

**Up-to-date news...**

We’re so grateful for the excellent Austrian Health Service: They’ve offered us the opportunity to have another ‘rehab’ in Aflenz (Styria) from **25<sup>th</sup> Aug.–15<sup>th</sup> Sept.** (3 weeks at a health clinic – see TT 102, Feb. 2018). Before that, Hans had another **preaching engagement at the Grace Church** in Vienna.

**Our son Manuel** has recently started a new job using his skills as an electrical engineer. Going into full-time employment after being unwell and out of work for two years is a big step for him!

We’re attaching a **Feedback Questionnaire** to help us know what you think of our TT newsletters. We would be very GRATEFUL if you could find a moment to **fill it in and send it back** to us. If you know anyone who might be interested in our ministry, then please let us know. Or you could just forward the TT to them!

**We acknowledge with gratitude that even after all these years we have friends and supporters who still follow our progress so diligently!**

**Bless you all!**

*Hans-Georg & Margret*

## „Prayercorner”

**Praise God for...**

- Human beings: God’s masterpiece
- Encouragement from our visitors
- Covid 19: God is using it!
- You – our faithful ‘team members’

**Please pray for...**

- Wisdom in our many tasks
- Creativity in times like these
- Good results from the ‘rehab’
- Our children: Their marriages & fam.

**What are you occupied with?**

**What would you like us to pray for?**

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