

TT – Travelling Together (143)

„Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.” Luke 6,36

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“Give ear, O LORD, and hear; open your eyes, O LORD, and see!” (2 Kings 19:16)

– That is strange! Has God looked away when things are going badly for His people, when they are suffering bitterly under the might of the Assyrians? Does not God see what is happening? Does not HE realise what is going on in this world? The god-fearing king, Hezekiah, spreads out the whole of the misery of his people before God. **Yes, we can do just that!** We can describe to HIM our fate and our problems. It will not be too much for Him! **We honour HIM** when we

bombard HIM with all our needs, with all the painful details of our everyday lives, with the cares of our existence. As we do this, we are saying that we need HIM more than the air we breathe. We are signalling that we accept our human limitations and that we expect everything from HIM. It is interesting how Hezekiah ends his cry for help, **“O LORD, deliver us, so that all may know that you alone are God!”** (V 19). HE wishes to highlight that in the midst of our needs: God is the Lord – even in the difficulties, when there seems to be no way out. Prayer lightens the burden of our souls, even today! No, **God is neither hard of hearing nor blind** – but it is beneficial for us to call out to HIM, to remind HIM, to bombard HIM, to trust HIM. It will give us encouragement!

Let us put this into practice...

Let us pray for the much-oppressed Land of the Hindu Kush, so much in the daily headlines! In 2008, Hans-Georg had the privilege of visiting a number of friends out there. In the intervening years, four of them have **paid with their lives** for their service there, and many others besides them! What will happen to those, nationals and others, who do not confess the majority religion? How will it be for those who suddenly have to pack their bags, without the chance to say goodbye to their dear friends? Fear – dread – grief among those who are unable to flee! Uncertainty for those who are fleeing. Nothing will strengthen us more than to trust that, in the midst of it all, **our LORD is building HIS kingdom!**



HE is also doing this with and through Pioneers Europe (PIEU)...

Just a few weeks ago, we were involved each day with our contributions to the Pioneers Europe Candidates Orientation Course, held part online, part in person. This course laid down the foundations for the participants so they can make definite plans for their future service. Together with them, we pray that the Gospel will soon be brought to **unreached people groups**. – At the moment two of our families are stuck as they prepare for their home assignments. Each family has been working faithfully in their respective countries of service for many years in difficult conditions! With the ever-changing Covid requirements for travellers, it is extremely difficult to make arrangements. The possibility of getting a (partial) inoculation at the right moment is nearly impossible in these countries. Even after our lengthy discussions online, there are still uncertainties and sadly, **many questions are left unanswered**. How much our co-workers rely on God's intervention, and on our support in prayer! – The film crew of a well-known TV sports channel visited a young **co-worker family in Italy** to interview them. They even shot additional footage with them at the stadium of a world-famous Italian football team. What a great opportunity to witness for Jesus! We pray with them that their contribution will be broadcast in full! – **S.** has been in a wheelchair for many years and is serving with great dedication in a North African country. Actually, she can retire now because of her age. However, she wishes to make a fresh start and is planning a **wheelchair project** in a city in the desert. We are amazed at her vision and initiative and we are giving her our full support!



Wholegrain Crispbread

As requested many times, here is our quick, 'tried and trusted' recipe from the 'Hoprich Bakery': Ingredients: 40g spelt flour, 80g rye flour, 120g fine porridge oats, 100g sunflower seeds, 50g linseed, 50g sesame seeds, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 dessert spoons olive oil, 420ml water. Mix all the ingredients together to make a rather runny dough. Spread the dough thinly on to 2 baking sheets lined with greaseproof paper. Sprinkle with poppy seeds. Bake for 10 mins at 175°C (fan oven). Remove and mark into squares. Bake for a further 30 mins approx. till golden brown. **A tasty snack – very 'more-ish'!...**

Family News...

Annika (24) has left her much-loved job as group supervisor at the children's nursery for the time being. In the meantime, she has taken on a new post in the office of a building company. Her **husband David** is currently employed full time as a police officer at the border. He is also studying law. They are both involved at the **Eisenstadt Forum**.

Many THANKS for your ongoing interest and support. We really value it.

PLEASE send us your news! We love to hear from you!

Yours in HIS service, *Hans-Georg & Margret*

Prayercorner

Praise God for...

- God's open ears & eyes
- New workers in the starting blocks
- S.'s initiative and passion
- You: Our Mission Team

Please pray for...

- Land of the Hindu Kush, it's future
- 2 families planning home-assignm.
- preaching: 22nd Aug., 5th & 19th Sept.
- co-workers (Italy) interviews, witness

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

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