The New Vision in Bangladesh!

FAMILY OPENS NURSERY SCHOOL FOR FOREIGN AND BENGALI CHILDREN!

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

GBY! Greetings from Bangladesh! We really had a burden on our hearts to write and share with you the vision the Lord has given us and what mighty miracles He is doing to provide, protect and bless us as we reach these people.

Bangladesh is largely a Muslim country with an astounding 82 million population (roughly 1,400 people per square mile!). It is one of the poorest countries in the world, but we’ve found the people to be warm and friendly and open to the message of God’s Love.

We have also found that we just cannot live by begging from the poor, as every foreigner here is with an embassy or business or an aid agency—giving food and money, etc. So we were compelled to create a PR work and a sample to prove that our sermon works! Which brings us to our story:

Before the RNR, the main vision here was catacombers, but with the new “Pisces” vision we are beginning to reach some of the city fathers. A few months back, my wife and I were faced with a decision, as our visa was up and no leads as to where to go. After much travel and now having four children, we decided we’d like to try to stay in one place for awhile and establish something.

Through a “king”, my wife and I and Danish Hannah got a one-year visa! We started to raise our standard and set up a nursery school for cover and PR, as the COG had been deported from Bangladesh quite some time before we arrived.

By faith we got a house in the best section of town and started using surplus funds for clothing and personal needs, as well as provisioning needed furniture, carpet, fans, etc.

Our school idea caught on great and has already won us favour with the 5,000 foreign community members living here, as well as with the Bengalis. Our school will be opening in September and we have a lot of interested people. At present we are working on setting up the actual schoolroom—provisioning blackboards, books, toys and making additional Montessori equipment.

There will be 30 children to teach, and it’s only the beginning as we plan to use this to start a Sunday school and possible Church of Love, once the school is underway and we’ve made contact with the parents.

So we’re all working like mad to fulfill this vision that the Lord has given us. We’ve stepped out on the water and He will help us finish it! There are seven of us here, as well as our four children (Austrian James, German Sapphire, Mary Grace who is now married to our Bengali brother Emmanuel, Danish Hannah, my wife Eve and myself, Barak). Visas will be easy to obtain, as the Bengali people are very education-conscious and we have much to teach them in every way. PTL! It’s gotta be God!

We’d really like to thank those who have written such encouraging letters or sent help to us. We really love you all and need you and would love to hear from you! If you would like to help this pioneer work get off the ground, please send funds in U.S. Dollars in the form of a bank draft from a large bank, addressed to Richard MacLeod and sent with your letter in a registered envelope. We’ve had no problems with funds sent this way. Thanks so much!! We really love you!

“Open the door for the children! Tenderly gather them in!”

You’re in our thoughts and prayers!

Keep going for God! Go in His Love! “So the Words do no good unless our hearts are broken open with His Love to let the healing balm overflow on the wounded hearts of the world.” (“Daily Might” 3:14.) We can never outpour or outgive God! Hallelujah! Love in Jesus and David, Barak & Eve and our Bangladesh Family.

MORE BACKGROUND ON THE NURSERY SCHOOL IDEA!

Dear Emmanuel & Hannah,

Thanks for writing! Your letter encouraged us soooo much! You asked us to fill you in on the vision of the school we’re starting. So here goes:

Eve and I were all set to go back to Canada after being out here for three years in a hard field, and our children were so desperately lacking in every way. We’d gone through some very tough times in India and we were quite at the end of our rope and only wanted to care for
the children in a good way where they wouldn’t have to suffer or lack anything.

Then the glorious RNR happened, PTL! We were much more free and the leadership was being very repentant and loving, but what to do...?

Hannah and Eve had fished a pretty important fellow who said he could get us a visa. At the Home Affairs Office they informed us that we needed to give them more information on why we wanted to stay, etc. Then on a visit to another of Eve’s fish who helps us with a lot of support, he suggested that since Eve teaches her own children, why not expand it a bit and teach some more (for income and visa’s sake)?

So we went on full attack! I visited the “Department of Public Institutions” to get full details, and they were astonished and said I should go ahead first and get all set up, then just register with them. (Every country is probably different.) So here was our cover story for getting our visa!

The Home Secretary told us that they’d be sending the “special branch” of the police to investigate us, as part of the visa procedure. Whew! We were really on our prayer bones about that! They came to visit, but only Eve was home and they were two young guys, very shy. She gave them tea and they left without any questions. Ha! So after a week with no news, Eve called the Home secretary again. He told her to call the Superintendent of the “Special Police” who said that the first report from his underworkers was not adequate, so he’d send a senior officer. —More seeking the Lord! The guy showed up, was very stern and asked a lot of questions, but it went well. Eve was really nice to him, giving tea as well as wearing an attractive blouse, and their report to the Home Office was good! PG! A week later our visa arrived at the door!

The next step was to move house, as our place was very inadequate to say the least! The most suitable place was in the best part of town that had very few nursery schools and also the top foreign and Bengali people! So we moved into our beautiful new house!

We checked with various people about schools and found that the greatest need was among the foreigners. At times I felt a little bad, as it is a much greater sample to help the poor, but it takes the rich to help the poor and what a greater way than to train up their little ones right now in the right way, an investment for the future!

So we wrote up Forms 1 and 2 (next page) and sent them to all foreign organisations and embassies. We got interested replies right away, as well as four huge boxes of toys, puzzles and dolls, some of which we will be using for our school.

Next, we visited some parents, embassy officials, etc. and we got more ideas on what to charge, times, etc. (pump people power!). Then we wrote Form 3 (next page) and sent it to all those interested. We also put an ad in the paper. Once it is set up and running, we will go again and get registered as a school.

So, this school enables us to: 1)
Have a good cover for our underground work; 2) Have a good sample; 3) raise our standard 100%; 4) enable us to have souls, not fund raising, on our minds when we go out witnessing; 5) provide proper education for our own children; 6) reach these little ones with Jesus; 7) start a Sunday School after some time; 8) make our whole witness so much more effective in every way!

Our schedule will be: Reveille-6:00, prayer and a little Word until Breakfast-7:30; school prep-8:00 (devotions with our children); school from 8:30-11:30; lunch-12:30; children’s naps until 2:00; Word time-2:00-4:00; Work (mail ministry, etc.)-5:00-6:30; FF’ing & witnessing, etc.-7:00.

We have 11 in our Home—four children, 3 brothers and four sisters. One brother and four sisters will be involved in the school and the other two will be really involved in music and catacombers as well as business.

At the moment Hannah and Eve are working on making the equipment necessary to fill in the gaps at the school. They will provision the use of tools from a Catholic boys’ school. We’ve gone on the attack, repainting the interior of the house, provisioning wood for tables and chairs to be made by a local carpenter for free! TYJ! Also, just yesterday we were promised a total of seven fans from different companies, and a Bengali friend has promised to install two of his air conditioners as soon as our electricity is on a permanent connection. It’s an exciting pioneering venture!

Love,
Barak & Eve and Family.

FORM ONE

To all interested persons concerned:

This is to inform you of a new KINDERGARTEN opening on September 4th.

This is a pre-school designated for teaching children between the ages of 3 to 5 years to read English.

This is a new teaching program but also includes Montessori and playgroup.

The staff will be all foreign.

If any of you or your staff are interested, or if you know of anyone requiring such facilities for their children, please write to WILD WIND NURSERY SCHOOL, Box 2672, Dacca GPO, Dacca 2 (for more information).

FORM TWO

Please post on your bulletin

NEEDED: Children’s educational toys or play school equipment.

We are opening a kindergarten in September and need your help. If you are leaving the country soon (or know someone else who is), and have children’s educational toys etc. you don’t wish to take with you and would like to donate to a good cause or sell at low cost (or even if you’re staying but have extra you don’t need), please contact us by mail (sorry, no phone yet!). Box 2672, Dacca GPO, Dacca 2. Thanks!

FORM THREE

Dear Parents and Friends,

Concerning the Wild Wind Kindergarten, we are sending more information as you’ve requested.

The school will be opening Monday, the 4th of September (the 1st being a Friday). The hours will be
8:30 a.m. till 11:30 a.m. For the time being, parents are requested to provide transport for their own children.

The fees will be as follows: TK 250 admission fee, TK 250 equipment charge (for replacement of broken or lost equipment and material)—a total of TK 500 which is not a deposit and will not be refunded but used for the school. The monthly charge will be TK 300 per month. So, if you are interested, the charge for September will be TK 800. Each additional month will be TK 300, payable the 1st of each month.

We are very sorry we don’t have a phone yet, but if you could drop us a note with your phone number we could call you and arrange a time for you to meet the teachers and see the school. (Box 2672 GPO, Dacca 2.)

We’d also like to request that enrollment be before the 25th of this month (August). Fees should be paid at this time also in order for us to obtain various needed supplies for the school.

Additional Information:
1) We will be able to make exceptions on the ages of children, depending on the individual child.
2) We are considering tutoring older children who are having problems with some specific subject (English etc.). If interested, please request more information.
3) The school is open for both Foreign and Bengali children.

We hope this fills you in somewhat anything further can be discussed when we meet you personally.

Until then, thanks for your interest.

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A PG’s FF TESTIMONY!

We first met W. through a friend who asked us if he could come to dinner in our Home and talk with us. W. is a 32-year-old law and philosophy professor from Poland who three weeks previously had come to the U.S. on a Fulbright scholarship. Besides Polish, he also speaks Russian, German and English.

From talking with him, we learned many things about his life in Poland and that he has been an atheist since the age of 15. He told us that his marriage was ready to break up and about the concern he has for his children who are still in Poland with his wife.

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Kannah Benjamin, an FF'er at 8-months pregnant! Photo by Ado Benjamin.
A few days later we were quite surprised to hear that he wanted to stay with us for a week! His orientation class was over and he needed a place to live before flying to California to continue his studies. A week before, we had asked the Lord to lead us to foreigners whom we could FF and witness to. So we felt that this was a set-up from the Lord to continue our witness to him and show him a sample.

While W. was in our Home, we had many long, long discussions with him. He is really an intellectual and was amazed at the simplicity of the Bible. He kept exclaiming how he’d never met anyone like us. He agreed with us on almost everything, but couldn’t quite understand why we had to base it all on God.

One night he told me, “I’m like Doubting Thomas. I’ve got to see to believe.” I was the only girl in the Home and at the time I was eight months pregnant. We prayed that God would use me to bring him to Jesus, so one night after going for a walk and spending time talking with him, he and I spent a couple of hours together in bed, and he was truly appreciative and really happy!

While I was jacking him off, he suddenly got a sharp pain in his side. He explained that he often gets these pains and that a doctor said he has a problem with his liver. He said the pain always lasts for several hours and sometimes all night and that he has never been able to have an orgasm the same night in which the pain occurs.

He asked me to pray for him, so I prayed for his healing and also that God would use the experience to show him that He is real. About two minutes later he exclaimed that the pain was completely gone! He was so amazed and happy! He wanted to see if he could also have an orgasm, and to his amazement he did! Hallelujah! He said it was too miraculous to be a coincidence.

Then, when I asked him about receiving Jesus and shared a couple of salvation verses with him, he prayed in Polish to receive the Lord and asked God to show him about this and other miracles that had happened to him since meeting us.

The following days before he left, we noticed that he talked more kindly about his wife and said he wanted to help her. The day before he left was his birthday, so we had a surprise party for him and gave him a Polish Bible as well as a package of MO Letters. At the party we asked him to read aloud John 3:16 from his new Bible, and he exclaimed how beautiful it was, like poetry.

We parted as good friends and plan to communicate through the mail as he continues his studies in California.—Kanah Benjamin; Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

P.S. I wanted to add a short note to Kanah’s testimony because for us personally this pregnancy was quite a miracle. Kanah has always had a difficult time carrying children and with our first two she had to be in bed for some time.

But during this pregnancy, she has been able to continue in almost completely normal physical activity! So this FF experience was doubly inspiring for both of us! TYJ!

—Ado Benjamin.
GRADUATION NOTICE!

JESSE SUNSHINE;
PUERTO RICO

Early in June, Jesse Sunshine went home to be with the Lord! He had been very depressed about his body because he had been plagued by skin allergies since childhood.

He was the top lit shiner in Puerto Rico and won more souls than the rest of the Home put together. Nevertheless, he still felt that his weak body greatly interfered with his service to the Lord.

Two days before he went home he gave away all his money he had saved to help pay for the pioneer team going to Haiti and other causes.

He shared this verse with the Home Servant the day before he died: “God has never been for the reformation of the old stinking carcass but for its total burial and resurrection of the completely new man!” He then died peacefully in his sleep from still unknown causes! Praise God for another mighty man of David fighting in the Spirit!

—From a report by Zephaniah; Puerto Rico.

CLASSIFIED ADS!

Attn: Parents of TWINS! Please send photos of your twins with names, ages, location, etc.—just for fun! We’ve lost count! How many do we have now? Send to: Maria Campos, Apdo. 46131, Madrid, Spain (with Attn: FN in lower left corner. Do not use COG or FOL anywhere on the envelope!).

Dear George, I love you! Thanks so much for the wine! It was such a blessing! GBY!—A grateful secretary xxxxxx.

Phineas Phut, please write to us, we love you. Also Christopher & Anaik, Christina from Nurnberg, Aphak Ram, Abigail Wildwind, Patience Comfort and all other friends!—Love, Michael & Damaris, P.O. Box 101, Corfu, Greece.

Looking for Home in Latin America! Married couple with one child and one due in Dec. wants to join road team or Home in Latin America. Talents: FF’ing, childcare, pro-

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Russian Lit—New Address: A. Markoff, Postfach 76, 1090 Vienna, Austria. $2 per 50 pieces postage.

Japheth Believeth, Kadesh & Teba Baker, Thomas Believing & Asaph German—I love and miss you. Please contact me at this address: Biard, B.P. 431, Roubaix 59058, Cedex 01 France (attn: Adino).

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