

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Christmas is here... Isaiah 9:6 states "... a child is born... a son is given." The prophet foretold the child's future "... the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Our hearts are full of praises because we have such a wonderful Savior, the

Lord Jesus Christ. Who has so many names? Immanuel; God is with us. He is with us in trouble, in our sorrow in our joys, and in sickness and health. In Hebrews 13:5, He promised "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." John 1:14 states "An the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." As Paul suggests, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus ... and took upon him the form of a servant... in the likeness of men" (Philippians 2:5-7) Jesus was and is God and in a human body; He is our Immanuel." ... great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh ...' (1 Timothy 3:16). Jesus experienced thirst, hunger, physical exhaustion. He slept in a boat. He wept. He moved with compassion. He was like we are but without SIN. "... in all points tempted like ... we are, yet without sin." (Hebrews 4:15) God is with us and He is merciful. He spared me when I was 6 months old and might have died. I was left alone while my mother walked to the train station with my father who was returning to the army. I kicked my feather bed; all of the feathers came out and almost suffocated me. I was blue when my mother returned. My nose and mouth were filled with feathers. The Lord spared my life then and on many other occasions. He is our Immanuel; He is with us. I am so happy to do whatever the Lord allows me to, and as long as He gives me strength I want to serve Him. Postage costs keep going up and up. Yet I have never lacked anything since I have been in this wonderful country, with so many wonderful people.

I am very thankful to you for all of your prayers and support. I am also praying for you.

Wishing you a very blessed Christmas!

Terezia Faulkner

Excerpt from missionary Kamilla Füredi's letter

Thanksgiving Day passed but I was so busy that I celebrated it only in my mind, without turkey. There were so many reasons for being thankful. Except of a light flu I was not sick in the last months. During the renovation there was no meaningful accident or loss. Many of you responded positively to my last letter and I was able to pay the most important reparations of the mission house. My living conditions are improved. Though there is no light yet we must have electricity in a few months. Saint Mary, the supermarket moved to Makeni and I can have better food now.

Nevertheless I still have some burdens as well. Please, pray for the final and official agreement with the land lady of the house. She seems to be kind and reasonable; it was promised that whatever I have spent on the renovation will be deducted from the rent. Please, pray for a peaceful holiday season. Before Christmas the town is very noisy. Last night I was not able to sleep at all, because of the loud and wild music of an entertaining center nearby. Also pray for protection from the unexpected troubles and troublemakers. I wish you the same; have a very peaceful and blessed holiday. We don't know exactly when but unto us a Savior was given.

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace."

Yours in Christ, Gabriella Kamilla Furedi

(If you would like to receive Kamilla's letter written in English, please send your request and your e-mail address to the editor.)



Dear Friends,

I want to wish you a very blessed Christmas as we focus upon the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Smiling faces? I see these every week when they come to ESL classes.

We have had a good fall semester with many of them making progress in their language learning.

In addition the Gospel has been shared with them at Halloween time,



Thanksgiving and Christmas along with Bible and Tracts in their language available every time we meet.

Pray for their salvation. That is our heart's cry throughout the year.

It is my privilege to serve the Lord in this ministry and I want to thank you for praying and giving that I may continue to serve.

God's riches blessings for the New Year.

Ruth Wright





Honorary and Memorial Fund

Sister Ethel Kish had encouraged us during the 2009 Convention to establish an "Honorary and Memorial Fund" for the purpose of supporting the missionary initiatives of our young people. Donations from this fund will be allocated by the Missionary and Benevolence Board at its mid-year meetings. The written applications addressed to the MBB should state the goals and the duration of the mission trip, and should include a letter of support from the pastor of the applicant.

The initial deposit is the money donated in memory of *Ernest J. Kish*.

We request donations to the Fund mailed to the Treasurer.