NEW YEARS GREETINGS!

We hope that your holidays were wonderful! It is assuring to know the God of peace when our world seems to be in such chaos. Because of Jesus, we can place our security in the King of Kings!

The week before Christmas, our team distributed cookies, clothing and toys to the refugee pensions in our area. I really enjoy doing this every year. As we sat in one man's room, he related to us how God had miraculously healed his foot in response to a prayer for "proof that I should really believe in Jesus". Scott and Shawn, a fellow team member, will soon begin a Bible study with Frank and some of his friends. These Czechsare really seeking for Truth; please pray that they will soon become followers of Jesus.

On Christmas Eve, our family celebrated by having a party for some of our friends- Pavell from Poland, Livyu and Miceta from Romania, and Jan from Czechoslovakia. We discussed world events and laughed about some of our cultural differences. We each told about our most memorable Christmas and then shared requests and ended with a prayer time. It was a meaningful evening for all of us. On Christmas day, we ate turkey and had a gift exchange with our team!

I'm sure you've been wondering how all the changes in Europe have been affecting our ministry. There are still many Eastern European refugees in the pensions and they will probably be here for quite a while. Also, there is now a large influx of Turks and Lebanese coming from the Middle East, and we are finding our ministry shifting to accommodate these refugees. This is a first-time opportunity for us to minister to so many from a Muslim background.

We have some good news for you! Jack and Candy, our friends from China, have been granted Austrian asylum! Thank you so much for your prayers! Please continue to pray that they will soon be reunited with their daughter; there is so much red tape to work through. At a recent Bible study, Jack and Candy once again testified that their hope is in the Lord, and they trust Him to work.

During a December Coffee Bar, Peter, a Yugoslavian, placed his trust in Christ. He is so eager to learn and grow! Peter also helps us out with translation at the Oasis, which is a big blessing!

Our family is doing well! It is so fun to watch Kendra grow and learn new things! It is continually amazing to us that the most beautiful and sweet girl in the whole world actually belongs to us! We praise God for blessing us with health and meeting all of our needs!

You are a blessing to us and we love you! Thank you for your Christmas cards and letters! It is always a thrill to receive mail from "home". Thank you again for your important part in our ministry! Have a great day!!

In the Vine,

Scott, Vicki & Kendra

Please see other side for IMPORTANT information!

Prayer Needs:

- * There has been a gradual drop in the dollar. Please pray that it will go back up.
- * Insight and ability to effectively witness to the growing number of Muslims coming into the Oasis.

Thanks!

- $\ensuremath{^{\star}}$ We had a wonderful visit with Grandma and Grandpa McCracken in November!
- * Praise the Lord for the newfound freedom in some of the Eastern countries!

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