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Scott's Resignation

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Dear Praying Friends,

I have been praying for 17 years (since coming to Athens) that God would raise up someone to take my place as Team Leader. He has finally answered that prayer, and as of January 1, 2008 Kenn and Lisa Dirrim will be the new Team Leaders of the Athens Refugee Ministry Team!!! I am so thankful to God for the team of quality people He has brought together to serve Him here, and so grateful that Kenn and Lisa are quality leaders who will continue to work well with the current Leadership Team of Nikos Stefanidis (the Executive Director of Helping Hands) and Themis Sirinides (the Associate Director of Helping Hands).

My family and I will continue living and ministering in/from Athens until the Lord clearly guides us otherwise.

For at least a year I will be stepping into a new role as an Area Ministry Leader, coaching Team Leaders in Istanbul, Athens, Rome, and possibly another potential ministry location in a Scandanavian country. I will also be going back to Greek school to improve my Greek. Additionally, I will be regularly meeting with one or two refugees in Athens with whom I already have a close relationship.

I also plan to devote time to speaking about the ministry in churches around the world, as well as writing proposals to funding foundations.

At some point in the future, I hope to also share the vision for a new "outside-the-box" discipleship training ministry.

We continue to covet your prayers and support for us and for this wonderful team here.

Grateful,

Scott

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Web pages:

www.ITRefMin.org (click "Teams", then click "Athens")

www.iteams.org

http://refminathens.blogspot.com (some refugee stories)

www.geocities.com/scripturecalligraphy (purchase beautiful art and support

our teammates)

www.helpinghands.gr/en/default.htm

www.helpinghands.watchmyshow.info

http://elliebomccracken.blogspot.com/ (adoption blog)

Our ministry is striving to be a FULL-SERVICE station on this exit ramp of the Refugee Highway by partnering with churches to offer practical services which demonstrate the love of God for the refugee as a whole person, and which invite the refugee to be a part of advancing His kingdom among the nations.