



CURRENT ENCOURAGEMENTS

(What's Happening Now)

God is working...and He's allowing us the privilege of seeing what He's doing!

How is He working? These are a few of the ways He's been demonstrating His Person, His Power, and His provision:

The hundreds of Kurds who were living on the streets of Athens have finally been given shelter by the government!
More Greeks are becoming involved in ministry to the foreigners here!

More internationals are becoming involved in ministry to the foreigners here!

A computer was given to us this summer!

Refugees are meeting Jesus as their Lord and Savior!

God continues to broaden our vision and deepen our burden for the refugees and immigrants here!

COMING EVENTS

(Announcements)

God is showing us what He is doing and some of what He is about to do. Amos 3:7 says, «Surely God does nothing unless He first reveals His secret to His servants the prophets».

While we don't know ALL that He is planning to do, we sense that He is leading us to pursue the following ministries and activities this autumn:

- «MEALS OF LOVE AND HOPE»... a weekly soup kitchen ministry IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE Hellenic Missionary Union, on Tuesday evenings in downtown Athens, Evripidou 14, 7th floor

- LANGUAGE CLASSES...Greek and English classes offered free of charge to refugees

- BENEFIT CONCERT...an opportunity to present the ministry of HELPING HANDS to a wider audience and worship together with brothers and sisters from churches all over Athens.

- JOB PLACEMENT SERVICE...connecting jobless refugees with brothers and sisters who can help provide short-term or long-term employment.

COMPASSION EVANGELISM

(Opportunities to Demonstrate the Love of Jesus)

God is working and revealing what He is doing. That revelation is an invitation for us to make the necessary adjustments to our lives so that we can join Him in what He is doing.

How can you join Him in what He is doing? These are a few opportunities you may want to pray about:

1. MEALS OF LOVE AND HOPE – if you can sing, do drama (especially mime), help set up, serve, or clean up at our soup kitchen ministry on Tuesdays, please call 721-4936 or 652-8191

2. LANGUAGE CLASSES – if you can teach Greek or English, or if you can just come and help (especially men),

please call 721-4936 or 652-8191

3. HIRE LABORERS – if you need some short-term (or long-term) work done such as gardening, house painting, window washing, etc., please call 721-4936 or 652-8191

4. FOOD COLLECTION – if you can organize a food collection program in your church, or if you would like ideas on how to do it, please call 721-4936 or 652-8191

5. MEMBERSHIP – we need more volunteers, so if you would like to join our organization, please call 721-4936 or 652-8191

6. GIVING – if you would like to make a donation on a one-time, occasional, or regular basis, you can send it to Amis #3, ILISSIA 11528 or you can deposit it directly in our account (#81/92003/50) at Trapeza Ergasias.

CONFIDENT EXPECTATIONS

(Prayer Requests)

God is working and He has revealed what He is doing, and that revelation is an invitation to join Him in what He is doing. As we make adjustments to our lives to join Him in what He is doing, we can depend on Him to empower us, use us, and accomplish His will in us and through us - through our prayers and our service.



Please PRAY that God would...

...help us feed the stomachs and souls of many hungry people this year through the MEALS OF LOVE AND HOPE

...provide the facilities and helpers for the language classes

...raise up more volunteers to help us in this ministry

...provide us with a printer so that we can begin our own desktop publishing

...help us to depend on Him as our Source, hear His voice, and be faithful stewards

...PROVIDE A BUILDING THAT WE COULD USE ON A FULL-TIME BASIS for such purposes as temporary shelter of homeless refugees, a soup kitchen, a coffee bar ministry, a clothing center, language classes, video presentations, meetings, a lending library in various languages, literature storage, office space, and much more!

If you have any questions, suggestions, ideas, or constructive criticisms, please don't hesitate to contact us at Amis #3, ILISSIA 11528 or 721-4936 or 652-8191.

God bless you as you help us reach the nations for Christ! Together with you, we are His **HELPING HANDS**.