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P.O.Box 51240, Nazareth 16100. Israel. website: www.emmausnazareth.net**Dear Friends in Christ**

God's incredible wisdom and Grace is given to us freely, I am learning more about how this applies to our lives in our walk with Him in **Proverbs 3**.

News update

My ministry trip to the Bay Area California in June was a great blessing to me personally. I had a new experience of Indian hospitality and enjoyed their tasty food! I was warmly hosted by brother Abraham Chacko, who is on the Board for CMS which is greatly encouraging young people to be involved with missions. I had the opportunity to share at a CMS conference and speak in many assemblies in the area. The believers showed a lot of interest and they hope to raise an outreach team in the future. It was good to see some old friends from our time at Fairhaven in 1985 as well as make new friends.

Building permit: *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight"* Prov.3:5,6. The process for obtaining the permit for the new **Lifeismore Centre** is moving at last! There are 3 stages and it has passed the first stage with the City Council. It now has to be passed by the Regional Council, which may take some time again, and then soon after that the final approval will be given by the City Council. Meanwhile we are working on the land registration, which has not yet gone through because of bureaucratic problems. Through all this the Lord is teaching us patience but we continue to pray for completion of these official procedures.

The Lifeismore Website is reaching thousands in the Arabic speaking world – 200,000 unique hits from April to June. The

numbers of students and courses completed are increasing. **Khalid** a **M.** from Jordan studied 11 books in 1 month, **Fransis** – 8 books and **Sara**, from Egypt, 9, and there are many more students like this. **Ammar** from Iraq asked for a copy of True Discipleship but as the mail system is not working there, we sent it to him as PDF file.

He writes: "Thank you for sending the TD file. I have been trying to disciple some young people but hadn't found suitable material



until I saw your website. Thank you for telling me about the Believers Bible Commentary – and I am glad that soon the Old Testament will also be online. Your encouragement has filled my heart with joy and my eyes with tears." Such letters are so wonderful to receive – to know the Lord is bringing His Word to people who are hungry for God. *"Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding, for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold"* Prov.3:13,14.

In the first week of July, 85 children took part in **Kids Games** in the assembly hall. As well as the games, sport and crafts there was an hour of Bible lessons and activities. Parents were invited to the last afternoon programme and it was well attended. **Pray** that as we try to stay in contact with the families, and that the children will come to the Sunday School. Pray for Samuel who was responsible for the week, to be encouraged in his work with children and youth in the assembly.

Our family increased on June 19th when our son Matthew was married to Malori in Iowa, USA. It was a joyous occasion as all our family could

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be together there to celebrate and participate in the wedding service. George gave a word, Ros lit the unity candles with the bride's mother, and Basil was Best Man, Marcus a groomsman and Nussi a bridesmaid. The couple then came to Israel where we held another celebration dinner for family and friends. We pray that the Lord may use and bless them as they set up home in Iowa for the present as Matthew has one more year of study.



Matthew & Malori

“My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you prosperity” Prov.3:1,2.

Future plans

We have had no new **Publications** completed since December owing to lack of time, helpers and finances. However, recently the Lord has led those who are responsible for Jean Gibson's books, to contribute towards the publication in Arabic of **Intermediate Christian Training** and **Advanced Christian Training**. These courses will need some revision since there is now a new edition in English produced by Emmaus Bible School, but we hope to have them completed by the end of the year. **One Day at a Time** – the daily devotional by William MacDonald, is proving very popular and widely used among the believers here.



Outreach Team: with the help of the Lord we are planning to have an Outreach Team in the summer or autumn of 2010. A number of young people in the Bay Area assemblies have expressed interest. If you know anyone, from any country, who would like to take part, please contact us for info. Pray for the recruiting, organizing and finance for the team.

Help needed!

The need for one or two full time **assistants** is now urgent! I need help with office and website, packing, driving for Bible distribution, youth work and if an Arabic speaker- for the publication work. A local person would be ideal but there is always the need to raise his support. We would also welcome volunteers from abroad, even non Arabic speaking, preferably a young man for longer term 6-24 months. If you are interested, or know anyone who you think would like to come to help, please contact us.

Another **desperate need** has been for a **van** for the Bible and book distribution as my private car is too small. After praying and looking at some vans for sale, we found they had all been driven very hard for commercial use and so we felt it was better to invest in a new model and pay partly with some money designated for a van and the rest in installments. Pray that although we have 3 years, we could complete the full payment by the end of the year. If you wish to give specifically to this project, please let us know.



“Her (wisdom) ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to all who embrace her, those who lay hold of her will be blessed” Prov.3:17,18

May the Lord bless you with His infinite wisdom and Grace.

In Christ

George & Ros Khalil

Prayer Requests:

- **The building permit and land registration to be completed without delays.**
- **Those studying Arabic courses through the website worldwide, and for Chris and Holger in Germany who are updating it.**
- **Preparations for the outreach team next year.**
- **Ongoing contact with families from the Kids Games.**
- **Co-workers and volunteer help.**
- **Finance for the new van.**