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WE GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD!

Dear Friends and ECM partners,

"Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Sing the Glory of his name: make his praise glorious! Say to God. 'How awesome are your deeds!'...All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you. They sing praise to your name!" Selah. Ps. 66:1-4

Yes, it is fall again. Outside my study window squirrels are busy burying their provisions for the winter and tree leaves are turning into multitudes of color. We are looking forward to Thanksgiving and preparing for the Estonian Christian Ministries 25th anniversary thanksgiving celebration.

We can truly say with the psalmist in thanksgiving that we have seen God do some awesome things during the ministry of ECM in Estonia. This in response to prayer and faithful help from many of you. We have learned that when God's call comes and his people respond, the results are far beyond and greater than anyone's expectations. We are thankful for the very many whose lives have been touched and changed by the Holy Spirit and God's Word through this ministry.

We will celebrate His faithfulness through the 25 years by coming together at Galilee Baptist Church in Loveland, Colorado on Saturday, November 7th with a thanksgiving dinner beginning at 5:00 PM to be followed at approximately 6:00 by a special presentation of how God has blessed the ministry since its conception on March 18, 1984.

The Galilee Baptist Church shared our vision and was the first church that by faith stepped out with us and helped us to get started and through these 25 years has continued to be our faithful partner. God has blessed us also so that we now have an international worldwide outreach to Estonians via Internet in many countries.

You are all invited to join us for this happy thanksgiving celebration. We especially invite and will recognize all of the short-term missionaries who have come to Estonia to help build the radio stations and churches, who have taught English classes, have helped in cooking and providing for the building-crews, have come to share your faith in church meetings, on the streets, in homes, hospitals, retirement homes and in prisons, as well as on the radio, and in so many other ways over the past years.⁴

From Estonia the good news is that new people from the Franklin Graham crusade (Hope Festival) continue to be baptized and join churches. The Child Evangelism work continues to reach and enroll new kids in Bible Studies. In this presently financially much troubled country, we have recently been able to help another church. "Our" student/pastor, has lost his secular job, but thanks to your help, is able to continue his Seminary studies and is seeing new blessings in his parish. Chaplain Olius and Marijana are leading prisoners to the Lord, working with former prisoners' families and speaking in many churches. And the Lord is widening the radio ministry by new listeners receiving Christ. We give God all the glory for each of these faithful workers in Estonia and for each of you who are helping to provide the needed support for all these outreaches. Like many other Christian

missions and churches the worldwide economic downturn is really hurting the ECM work in Estonia, especially in the area of radio.

Would you please pray for and help all these above-mentioned ministries in Estonia and that together we can fulfill ECM's financial commitments to those whom we support? If each of you, during this, our 25th year celebration would make a donation of 25 dollars or more it would greatly help. Your donations are urgently needed.

We will be looking for you at the free thanksgiving celebration dinner at Galilee Baptist Church, 2525 Van Buren Ave. Loveland at 5:00 PM on November 7, 2009. A free-will offering will be taken to cover expenses. Please RSVP and also pray that God will bless this gathering.


From Denver, take I-25 north until you come to Hwy. 34 West/Loveland. Continue about 6+ miles, past the lake (on your right), until Van Buren, turn right, keep going till you come to the church at the end of the street (close to a mi). You can't miss it!

If you plan to come to the dinner, please call the ECM office at 303-795-2757, or email us at ekmin@comcast.net or contact the Galilee Baptist Church directly at 1-970-669-3274 or galilee.loveland@comcast.net

For the program and ministry presentation you will not need a reservation.

Wishing you a wonderful fall season and Thanksgiving!

Your missionaries,


Endel and Mairy G. Merusi

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