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Becky and I have been with the churches in Latvia and are back in Africa following a great time of ministry and fellowship. The church building in Jurmala is nearing completion. The major work that remains is on the inside and consists of completing the ceiling, platform, installing permanent lights and the floor finish.

One of our biggest concerns was the heating system for the building since heat is needed for most of the year. The heating system was completed while we were in Jurmala last week and we were able to enjoy a fully heated church building. Heat alone has been a tremendous asset in the numerical growth of the church.

Our regular newsletter is going to be delayed this month for several reasons, not the least of which is our ministry schedule. We are home only a few days before leaving for Congo. The Congo ministry will include a crusade and be followed by an outreach to a tribe of pygmies located on an island. You should receive this letter while we are in Congo and we would appreciate your prayers.

The other reasons for the delay in a regular newsletter are not as spiritual as a crusade and outreach to pygmies, but are nevertheless important matters of prayer. Our electricity has been off so much that it has become very difficult to finish the newsletter on my computer, much less get it printed.

Since November we have had to deal with numerous physical threats, inclusive of death threats and upon returning from Latvia last week, we had to deal with more threats. This is very time consuming and left little time to work on a newsletter. Obviously we would appreciate your prayers as we walk through this challenge.

I continue to work on the newsletter and will eventually get it completed. The newsletter will highlight the ministry in North Africa in which approximately 1,000 Moslems were saved. The first few months of this year have been among the most blessed times of ministry we have ever experienced and it should be little surprise that with spiritual advancement on earth, opposition arises.

We appreciate your prayers, friendship and financial support.

Sincerely in Christ,

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