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## ***This Issue***

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## **New Year**

The New Year is upon us and many of us have probably already set goals or resolutions for the year 2008. Which raises the question: What does it look like to let the Holy Spirit guide our goals and resolutions? How many of us prepared our goals or resolutions being led by the Holy Spirit this year? If so did you notice a difference in the goals that you have chosen, versus the goals you would have chosen without the guidance of the Holy Spirit?

Seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit does not always confirm a spiritual blueprint. However, the Bible tells us that Noah received one in Genesis 6 for building the Ark and King David got one in 1 Chronicles 28 for the house of the Lord. We can be confident that God cares about our goals. Jesus promised his disciples, "the Spirit of Truth ... will guide you into all truth." The Spirit of Truth will continue to guide each of us in 2008.

This year let us make goals that will reveal the goodness of God. Let us resolve to help others. And above all, let us not be timid or afraid.' Our God is an awesome God'. The heavens declare his glory. Our lives and work should too.

## **New Wine**

On the final Sunday of 2007, the Lord compelled me to give a word in my local church. I have since come to realise that this word was not just for our local assembly but was for the Body of Christ and for the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship International in particular.

The Lord said that this was the season of the New Wine and that this was being poured out on His people at this time. This was the New Wine of His Spirit, the new wine of His Kingdom. However, Jesus said in Luke 5 v 38 that new wine must be poured into new wineskins.



I believe the new wine into new wineskins is representative of two things at this time:

1. new wine into the hearts and minds of new believers who are coming into the Kingdom. Many I believe through the work and witness of this Fellowship, and
2. new wine for those of us who know the Lord. The Word of God says: 'our body is the temple of the Holy Spirit'. The Lord wants to make us as new wineskins ready and willing to drink the new wine of His Kingdom.

At the time of his baptism, John the Baptist said of Jesus 'behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world'. Let us all once again 'behold the Lamb' - the Lord Jesus. Let us freely drink of that new wine, and let us all move forward together to see His Kingdom established in the nations of Europe.

In this regard I encourage you to join us at the Hotel Alay in Malaga, Spain between 14-16 March 2008 for the European International Conference and later in October in Blankenberg, Belgium.

At both of these two major events I believe we shall taste of the new wine and find that it is very good.

My richest blessings to you all.

John Walker, President of the European Council

### **New Anointing**

Richard Shakarian, our International President writes 'Expect a new anointing and a prosperous year!

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." Then He made clay with His spittle and anointed the eyes of a blind man. "Go wash in the pool of Siloam." He went his way and washed, and came back seeing. The religious accusers said, "Who is this man that healed on the Sabbath?" He answered and said, "I don't know who he is, but one thing I know, that is once I was blind, and now I see."

As we enter this incredibly anointed year of 2008, there are so many that don't know who Jesus is. There are many that are angry at religion, but I have never found anyone who was angry at Jesus. Expect great miracles to happen all around you as you walk in His presence. Remember, it doesn't make any difference how dark things are — Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

Richard Shakarian adds 'we are pleased to announce that we have established a Board of Governors dedicated for the purpose of the 'Business Development of Nations'. The Board of Governors shall be responsible for the international policy, for collaboration with governments of underdeveloped economies, to contribute to their competitiveness and economic growth. Our focus shall be on education, encouraging entrepreneurship, training, technology, product development, development of infrastructure and creating the base for innovation and global competitiveness.

Many of us are familiar with the incredible work of FGBMFI, raising the economies of nations as a result of praying with hundreds

of thousands of people within the borders of a single nation. Then favour and blessing came upon those nations. Now, we are receiving invitations from Heads of State to come into their nations with the intention to help develop their nation. This is an incredible open door of opportunity for FGBMFI to bring the love of God to the nations.

The 'Board of Governors' team is led by Mr. Danny Mawuenyega, who along with Bro. Darko, participated with the International team and successfully reduced Ghana's external debt by 8 billion US Dollars! The other members of our team are a retired judge, a retired bank executive and a director of a large insurance company. With this step FGBMFI has entered into a higher level of our calling which is to see the vision fulfilled around the world'.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew and approved of you, as my chosen instrument, and before you were born I separated and set you apart, consecrating you; and I appointed you as a prophet to the nations. See, I have this day appointed you to the oversight of the nations and of the kingdoms. Therefore hear, O Gentile nations, and know, O congregation of believing ones, what great things I will do to them." (Jeremiah Chapters 1 & 6)

### **International Conferences**

If you have not already booked for our next European Conference to be held in Malaga on the beautiful Costa Del Sol in southern Spain, March 14 to 16, please do so as soon as possible as there are only a few places remaining. Come and fellowship with members from almost every nation in Europe and beyond. Speakers include Baroness Cox, Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords in England, and Dr. Peter Gammons an international evangelist and Bible teacher (he is well known at FGBMFI outreach conferences) and has preached to 100 million people in more than 70 nations. Booking information is on our European website or contact our European Office.

For delegates arriving at the conference on or before Wednesday March 12 our leaders in Spain, Bruce and Caroline Wick, are organising a christian medical conference under the name PRIME. This conference is aimed at those involved in medical work and FGBMFI delegates are welcome to attend.



L-R NKR Representative Barseghian, Ms. Knollenberg, Ambassador of the Republic of Armenia Markarian, and Baroness Cox

Future international conferences include the World Convention to be held in Florida during the first week of July. This convention usually attracts members from Latin America and Africa.

In the Autumn of this year we will be organising a European Conference in Blankenberg, Belgium (on the coast) at the invitation of FGBMFI Belgium. This will be held during the weekend of October 24 to 26. It replaces the conference originally planned for Amsterdam in November.

Please make an effort to participate in at least one of these international conferences, as we believe they will broaden your vision of the work of God through FGBMFI and give you fresh motivation in your service for the Lord.

### **Malta**

John Wright, European Director for the Mediterranean nations, was recently in Malta to strengthen the work of FGBMFI on the island. He had a meeting with Catholic Archbishop Paul Cremona, who confirmed and gave approval to the ministry of FGBMFI in Malta. John was also able to meet and pray with the Commissioner of

Police and with several church and business leaders. His report is on our European website. Please pray for Godwin Mallia and Eddie Zammit as they lead the FGBMFI work in Malta; we are hoping to have a European Conference there in the Spring of 2009.

### **New National Presidents**

We welcome two new national presidents in Europe.

Alain & Beatrice Jorel have taken over in **France** from Rene & Eliane Agrain. We thank Rene and Eliane for their tireless service for the Lord and their desire to continue in the national board.

Alain says 'I have been in the FGBMFI as a member since 1983 and as vice-president with Bruno Berthon for 7 years from 1994 to 2001 and with René Again since last year.

My only desire is to fulfill what the Lord Jesus wants me to do and to serve the French board under the supervision of The Holy Spirit.

The French board is a closely-knit team and we can see things changing in France.

The Lord used René to give a new impetus to our French fellowship and we are expecting a real breakthrough in our mission'.

In **Finland** Tarmo Mäyränen (with his wife Raija) have become national president in the place of Jarmo Kaksonen; we also thank Jarmo and his wife Sisko for their service for the Lord through FGBMFI; Jarmo is chapter president of Kouvola chapter.

Peter Spreckley, chairman of the FGBMFI UK Board will be visiting Finland in May and will be speaking at various chapters.

We wish both Alain and Tarmo God's special anointing as they lead their respective nations.

### **Ireland**

Tom Maguire, FGBMFI National President **Ireland**, writes 'Ireland is shaken by the power of God. There is revival and we are being blessed by the things which are happening. There is a new outpouring of the

Holy Spirit. The prophecy 'consider your ways' has led me to ask all FGBMFI men to personally consider their ways. In Northern Ireland under the leadership of the Regional Director John Gates we meet every 3 months and this has brought a greater unity.

We have two new chapters and the Donegal group have just had their first dinner meeting for months. Also there is a new group formed in Coleraine. In Dublin on Saturday a new group of men are being elected into office with the intention of starting a new chapter.

We had a blessed time at our 2007 All Ireland Convention. We were greatly encouraged by our overseas visitors from UK, Latvia, USA and South Africa. The Latvian Brothers, who are with Business Men's Fellowship, shared at our international meeting along with our other visiting brothers. The speakers Dan Chesney, Hank and Sandra Barnard were really anointed.

At present we are in negotiations with Dublin Hotels for our 2008 all Ireland convention which will be our **Diamond Jubilee, 31st Oct-1st Nov 2008**. Price, for 2 people, approx euro 260-270 includes 2 nights B/B, 2 evening meals and 1 lunch.

### **We are also planning for the 2010 European Convention here in Ireland.**

Outside of FGBMFI there is also a great spiritual awakening, with people coming to the Lord. One of the most notorious terrorists known as 'the Border Fox' has got saved and is now involved in a church at Dundalk. In Co.Derry two ex republican prisoners have got saved and started a fellowship where souls are saved at almost every meeting. When I look at the government in Northern Ireland I see Ian Paisley (Protestant) and Martin McGuinness (Catholic), former enemies, working together. The sister of Martin McGuinness has recently got saved. This is just brief a brief note but I am encouraged by what God is doing in our nation and FGBMFI is a part of it. (Tom.maguire@lineone.net)

## **UK**

Rodney Radcliffe, UK Natl. Director, London, writes, ' at last Thursday's West London dinner 30 came, 2 were saved and a number baptised in the Holy Spirit and healed. A group of young business people from different ethnic backgrounds were also present.

We praise the Lord for what He did and is doing. A number present at the dinner now want to join FGBMFI, a very encouraging evening and start to this New year in London. I firmly believe that this season for FGBMFI in this area will be greater than the former season. Latter rains are falling..... in preparation for the final great harvest

Stuart Cripps, Natl. Director, North West Region, was recently in northern Poland where he was a speaker at a number of outreach meetings. He says 'some 270 people were added to the Kingdom of God. Leaders and members from local churches were involved in this outreach and they are interested to work with FGBMFI.

Stanislaw Pikul, FGBMFI Natl. President Poland is following up contacts'. Stuart Cripps says members in the UK from his area are planning another outreach trip to Poland in March 2008.

## **European website**

Our website [www.fgbmfi-europe.com](http://www.fgbmfi-europe.com) is averaging over seven thousand visits each month from business and academic institutions around the world, including some Muslim nations and other 'closed' nations. We thank God that through the internet many barriers to reaching people in distant nations are being overcome.

A new feature on our website is 'Giving'. Several nations have been highlighted (Madagascar, Zambia, Bulgaria, Romania) where our FGBMFI members are hampered through lack of finances. In some nations before we can start a regular FGBMFI chapter as we know it in the West, we need to reach out to the local people with some humanitarian help, showing the love of Jesus. This may be in the form of printed

materials in their own language, or basic supplies like food and clothing. In these nations small amounts of money can make a big difference. Please pray about these projects; you can find them on our European website, click on 'Giving' in the left hand column.

## **Pakistan**

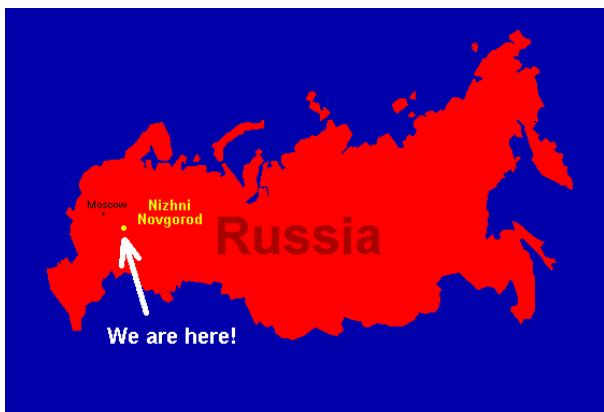
As yet we do not have any FGBMFI chapters in this Muslim nation. But we have regular contact with a christian leader in Lahore who would welcome contact with FGBMFI members from the West. If you would like more information about this work in Pakistan contact the European Office; also pray for the christian believers and the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this troubled nation.



## **Russia**

Andre Klementyev, Chapter President St. Petersburg & National Secretary writes: 'FGBMFI Russia is organising a conference February 22 to 24 in Nizhny Novgorod (old name Gorki) situated some 500 kms east of Moscow. This will also be the occasion of their annual general meeting.

The conference will also include visits to the Kremlin, local churches and a national crafts exhibition. It is expected that FGBMFI representatives from more than 50 regions of Russia will be present as well as delegates from other European nations. The delegates will also include leaders from business and local government.



Conference charges:

- room for 2 people euro 42 – 50 per person; private apartment accommodation euro 17 – 20 per person.

- dinner euro 7 - supper euro 12–14.

If you wish to participate in the conference contact [Natalilemesheva@rambler.ru](mailto:Natalilemesheva@rambler.ru) or tel. 8 920 02 63 330 ask for Natalia.

#### **Airlift to Asia**

Report from Roland Benz President Chapter Munich and Outreach Director.

'As a joint German/French team we went on an Airlift to Asia from Nov. 8.-27, 2007.

The Airlift team consisted of members from the France Chapter Reims and Germany Chapters Stuttgart and Munich. During this time we visited Thailand, Myanmar, Singapore and finally Japan for the National FGBMFI Convention in Kobe.

In Bangkok we joined with Komo Antakon (Natl. President FGBMFI Thailand and Intl. Vice President for Asia), and his team for the rest of the Airlift trip.

During these Outreaches we held Men's and Family Camps and quite a number of new members were recruited for the Fellowship. Also new converts were the fruit of several chapter meetings in those nations.

During the Men's Camps we were able to strengthen and encourage the men emphasizing our VISION & MISSION Statements which are comprised under the

following statements, well known to us, but repeated to emphasize our specific calling:

#### **Vision:**

Our Vision in the Fellowship is based upon a series of prophetic messages given over a period of time and confirmed by a literal Vision from God.

In the vision, untold masses of men from continent and nation. of all races and diverse culture and custom, once spiritually dead, are now alive. Delivered and set free, they are filled with power of God's Holy Spirit; faces radiant with glory, hands raised and voices lifting their praises to heaven.

We see a vast global movement of laymen being used mightily by God to bring in this last great harvest through the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit before the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. ( Acts. 2:17-21, Joel 2:28-32)

#### **Mission:**

1. To reach men in all Nations for Jesus Christ (Mat. 28:19)
2. To call men back to God (Luke 15:4-7)
3. To help believers to be baptized in the Holy Spirit and to grow spiritually (Acts 19:1-6)
4. To train and equip men to fulfil the Great Commission (Mat. 28:19-20)
5. To provide an opportunity for christian fellowship (Hebrew 10:24-25)
6. To bring greater unity among all people in the body of Christ (Eph. 4:3)

To support the Mission in Asia an Airlift Voice, printed in Thailand, is being translated into a number of Asian languages.

The Japanese edition was completed just in time for the National Convention in Kobe and handed over as a present from the Airlift Team to FGBMFI Japan.

**"Learning from History" Holocaust Commemoration Day, 27 January (release from Auschwitz)**



# HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

A movement called "Initiative 27. January" was formed some 4 years ago in Munich with FGBMFI participation.

During this year's event 350 people attended, including leaders from several Jewish organisations and governmental representatives (who sent greetings in appreciation of our activity). The president of the Bavarian Senate took a leading role in this important event, held in Munich.



A recent press release says:

'A pan European campaign, initiated by the "European Coalition for Israel", has addressed the EU Parliament in Brussels, with the objective of 'raising awareness' of the holocaust. Denial of the Holocaust is unacceptable, says the EU President.

### **Men's Camp in Germany and Japan**

Roland Benz says ' I have just performed a Men's Camp with Komo Antakon from Thailand, in the greater Stuttgart Area. This Camp was well attended and new members were recruited for the Fellowship.

Next week a Men's Camp is scheduled in Kobe, Japan, led by Komo Antakon supported by Klaus Viehmann from Chapter Stuttgart.

### **Events:**

**All European Convention in southern Spain** at the Benalmadena Costa, Malaga, **March 14 to 16, 2008.**

**World Convention** - at the new OMNI Hotel in Orlando, Florida July 3 to 6 , 2008.

A golf tournament is also planned prior to the convention. For details contact the FGBMFI International Office.  
[www.fgbmfi.org](http://www.fgbmfi.org)

**All European Convention** – Blankenberg, Belgium, October 24 to 26, 2008.

**All European Convention** – Malta, 24-26 April 2009 at Hotel Topaz, Bugibba.

For up to date news and events about FGBMFI Europe see our website:  
[www.FGBMFI-Europe.com](http://www.FGBMFI-Europe.com)