

An Adventure in Living



Boy, do I need prayer!!

I have committed to go on the mission trip to the Eastern European Gypsies.

I had surgery on my foot in December so I could walk without pain on this trip.

I am still recovering from the surgery due to (?) my pushing my limits too far and my bone not healing quickly enough.

Now I have stressed the other foot and am finding myself doing my old habit of worrying about how this will affect my trip.

On top of that, my funds were due March 31st, but I only have a small amount ready to send in.

My husband is pushing me around in a wheelchair and although he is gaining great exercise, he thinks old age must be arriving early!!

STOP THE WORLD, I WANT TO CATCH UP!!!

OK. I already said somewhere that I'm learning that God always provides enough time for whatever it is He has for me to do. Therefore, I should not be worrying and must stop it.

I have asked for signs, wonders and miracles. To get those I also have to come face to face with problems, sickness, and death. God HAS raised us to a new level. The needs are pouring in. Will I receive the negative side and be overwhelmed, or will I rejoice at the opportunity and privilege God is giving me to minister HIS LOVE and GRACE to the ones in need? I choose to rejoice, yet I know that I cannot do any of this on my own. That is why I am asking Jesus (and reminding myself) to do these in me and through me. I want to be His Faithful Servant.

Monday, April 10, 2006 – Hi Lord. I love you. I need to hear from You, Lord, about this trip. Today I thought, I was pretty sure, You said, “Go see My Gypsies.” And I thought You meant “see” as I mean “see”, as in “visit”. “Go be with them?” Lord, this will be an expensive mistake if I miss You on it. Expensive money-wise to go against Your direction, expensive spiritually either way, to go if I'm to not go, or to not go if I'm to go. Please give me Your Heart on this. Your desire for me. I'm really sorry that I've been really terrible about being obedient... to the doctor, to You, not making baskets when You told me to, not being constant in prayer, being so not-with-it in terms of any follow-up! Lord, please forgive me. Please make me into the person You designed me to be.

Party with the Gypsies!!

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Romans 6:1-2, "What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that Grace may increase? May it never be! How shall we, who died to sin, still live in it?"

Romans 6:11, "Even so, consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus."

Nancy, go. This is training. You are in training. Do not hesitate. Go. Then come back and train some more.

OK, Lord. I will go. Please help me, Lord, to be Your FAITHFUL servant.

NOW I'm down to the "**and don't worry about the money**" part. Richard overnights the check for the rest of the Gypsy trip cost. We do feel like this is God, so we need for Him to make up the difference. That was almost a whole paycheck, and I need to pay the bills!! Lord, we will be most appreciative.

What you, my friends, can do to help out... Please pray for our office to prosper so Richard can take a bonus. Please pray for the people God might use to contribute to prosper so they can contribute. Please pray for my foot to be totally healed in time to go! Please pray for the Gypsies to be open, and for me to walk in the anointing of the Lord so I will be a blessing to them. "*How beautiful are the feet of those who bring Good News.*"

Isaiah 52:7

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

Romans 10:15

And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Contributions in kind:

- *Toothbrushes and Toothpaste – ask your dentist for contributions?
- *New Winter Clothing for all ages, sizes, male, female.
- *Fun stickers for the kids
- Ribbons, bows, headbands for the girls
- Sweat bands (all colors) for the boys
- Violin strings and wooden pegs for the Gypsy violinist in Varna, Bulgaria.

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Richard is making several systrums in his wood shop for me to take and give away. This is the coolest instrument!!! It sounds much like a tambourine, but obviously plays differently.



We have much to do in the 6 weeks left before I leave (May 31st). Please pray that we can get it all done. Having my activity and independence severely

limited by my foot recovery means this will be a special time of cooperation for Richard and me and some very kind friends!!

Thank you so much for your prayers, encouragement and support for me to GO to the Gypsies. May our Lord bless you beyond all you can think or imagine.

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