



# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends,

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It's truly unbelievable that we're already in the month of August, almost September and so much has happened this year! There is increasing division and turmoil the enemy has brought into this world but we need to always remember the words of Jesus in John 16:33 where He says,

*I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have [perfect] peace and confidence. In the world you have tribulation and trials and distress and frustration; but be of good cheer [take courage; be confident, certain, undaunted]! For I have overcome the world. [I have deprived it of power to harm you and have conquered it for you.]*

That is good news! Jesus said although we are certain to face tribulation, trials and distresses in this world, He deprived the world of the power to harm us! And even though we see plenty of chaos in the Middle East, division here in the States and around the world over vaccine mandates and lockdowns along with natural disasters popping up everywhere, we must remember our TRUST is in the Lord and nothing will harm us! As we write this newsletter today, we are currently in the midst of a natural disaster ourselves. Our home and Ministry are currently being threatened by the Caldor fire that has quickly burned over 82K acres as of today. The fire is only a few miles away from our home but GOD! We have been faithful and diligent to anoint the area around our home every year and even up to a 20 mile radius from our home, praying for divine protection and provision over that entire area! We know when we do our part (praying, anointing and declaring Psalm 91 over our "dwelling"), God definitely does His!

This month we want to encourage you to not allow the enemy to come in with his lies of discouragement, hopelessness and fear. It's easy to recoil and surrender to what we see with our natural eyes or what we hear with our natural ears but we have to stand firm on all of God's promises with our feet firmly planted on God's Word! We receive numerous calls every single day from people who are filled with fear and torment over their current situations and the issues going on around the world. We pray with and encourage them to renounce fear and hopelessness and to remain in God's Word until His promises are fulfilled in their lives. We should be honored and privileged to know we are living in the latest of the latest days and are partakers of the remnant of His chosen ones! What a time to be alive! Especially knowing we have God on our side and nothing can move us or shake us!

First Peter 5:8-9 encourages us to, *Be well balanced (temperate, sober of mind), be vigilant and cautious at all times; for that enemy of yours, the devil, roams around like a lion roaring [in fierce hunger], seeking someone to seize upon and devour.*

*Withstand him; be firm in faith [against his onset—rooted, established, strong, immovable, and determined], knowing that the same (identical) sufferings are appointed to your brotherhood (the whole body of Christians) throughout the world.*

We're not saying it's easy. We're all human and no one is perfect and we all get to a point in life where we fall into the trap of discouragement, hopelessness, fear and feel like giving in to the enemy's lies. This is why it's SO important to surround ourselves with like-minded believers who actually believe in the power of prayer! The key is to snap out of it immediately through prayer like we do in our own family. We make it a point to come together in sincerity before the Lord by giving everything to God. We unload all of our cares and worries, releasing everything (loved ones, jobs, fear, anxiety, etc) in God's hands and although there are times when we don't feel like it and our flesh cries out to do the opposite, we come together and pray it out! We continue to speak in tongues until we feel the breakthrough in our spirit! There has never been a time when we have come before the Lord in true honesty and sincerity and He didn't come through for us. Not one single time.

There have been plenty of challenges and roadblocks along the way. There were even times when the demonic opposition was so strong that we felt like giving up but we chose to keep pressing in and pursuing our breakthrough AT ALL COST.

One of the biggest challenges we faced for the past year and half has been not being able to travel overseas. In past newsletters, we talked about how God used this time to expand our online audience and how He opened new doors for airtime in Europe. We are happy to report that John was finally able to go overseas after such a long time of waiting on the Lord! We didn't take this trip lightly at all, considering the circumstances around the world and waiting for specific directions from the Lord before leaving the States. After much prayer and seeking the Lord for His guidance, John spent 4 weeks overseas in three different countries before returning back home. The Lord had divine appointments at every stop and we are truly amazed at how He coordinated the entire trip!

The first leg of his trip began by traveling from Romania to Rome, Italy by car where he met with the owner of ROMIT TV where our programs are being aired in the Romanian language 7 days a week, 3 times every day. You're probably wondering, why Italy? There is a high population of Romanian immigrants who have moved to Italy for work or school and the potential viewing audience is extensive in this country. John sat down with the owner of this station and renegotiated our contract and we're so thankful that both sides came to a mutual agreement with a fair price to continue having our programs aired to a potential viewing audience of 1.2 million people! For those who don't speak Romanian, our programs are also subtitled in Italian as well.

On his way back up to Romania, John stopped at a few churches to preach, including one in Milano, Italy. His next stop was in Vienna, Austria where originally 3 people were waiting to be baptized in water but as it turned out, there were 7 eagerly waiting to be baptized! Some of these precious people had been waiting for over a year to be baptized by John! What a joy it was to be able to see their faces and join in this beautiful act of baptism alongside them!

Next, John headed back to Romania with a few stops in different places including churches and other locations. On the last leg of his trip, John baptized four additional people in Aiud, Romania before finishing up the trip in Bucharest. In Bucharest He met with the program coordinator of the INEDITV station where our programs are aired 7 times per week. You may have heard us mention this television station in past newsletters because our programs have been played there for the last several years. John did a few live programs there before heading back home to the States. We give God the glory that we are able to air our programs on so many different platforms and the Gospel is being preached around the world every single day of the week! We are so grateful John was able to make this trip and travel freely throughout Europe without any major restrictions! He was able to accomplish everything that needed to be done for the Ministry and return home safely! Shortly after John left that part of Europe, new restrictions were introduced in certain areas. We thank God for the victory and for the fact that the enemy lost in every area!

You've heard us say this over and over again but we'll say it again- if it weren't for YOUR faithful prayers and support, NONE of this would be possible! None of the television programs would air, the YouTube programs couldn't be filmed, edited and aired, this newsletter you're reading right now wouldn't be written and the countless phone calls that pour into this Ministry wouldn't be answered. Our partners made it possible for John to travel overseas and baptize these souls that were eagerly waiting for water baptism and for John to negotiate our contracts with television stations crucial to where the Gospel is being preached every day of the week. We really do mean it! Your support is VITAL to this Ministry. We're so thankful for your generous support and continued faithful prayers!

If you need prayers in any of the areas we mentioned this month including fear, hopelessness, discouragement, doubt, worry, anxiety, etc please don't hesitate to reach out for prayer! There is power in agreement according to Matthew 18:19,

*Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.*

You may have noticed that we combined the newsletters for the months of August and September into one. This is not typically how we do things but we were waiting for John's arrival back to the US and also dealing with the fire that's just a few miles away from our home currently. We have a lot to be thankful for, and we're also believing God to STOP this fire in its tracks in Jesus name so that next month we can bring you back a good report of how the Lord protected us!

We pray Psalm 91 over each one of you dear friends!

***He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High  
Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.  
I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress;  
My God, in Him I will trust."  
Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler  
And from the perilous pestilence.  
He shall cover you with His feathers,  
And under His wings you shall take refuge;  
His truth shall be your shield and buckler.***

***You shall not be afraid of the terror by night,  
Nor of the arrow that flies by day,  
Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness,  
Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday.  
A thousand may fall at your side,  
And ten thousand at your right hand;  
But it shall not come near you.  
Only with your eyes shall you look,  
And see the reward of the wicked.  
Because you have made the LORD, who is my refuge,  
Even the Most High, your dwelling place,  
No evil shall befall you,  
Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;  
For He shall give His angels charge over you,  
To keep you in all your ways.  
In their hands they shall <sup>☪</sup>bear you up,  
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.  
You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra,  
The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.***

***"Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him;  
I will set him on high, because he has known My name.  
He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him;  
I will be with him in trouble;  
I will deliver him and honor him.  
With long life I will satisfy him,  
And show him My salvation."***

In His Service,  
*John & Alexandra*