



NEWSLETTER

The voice of those who escaped from the iron curtain

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As many of you partners and friends know, John is overseas on a trip to evangelize different parts of Romania and various other countries until the end of June. Most of you have been watching our FaceBook Lives and following along with us on this journey and we're so excited to see how God will move and work on this mission! God has called John to evangelize since he came to know the Lord when he was just 16 years old. Although he enjoys preaching and teaching in churches, he is passionate about bringing the Gospel to people who have never heard the name of Jesus. We are expecting a great move of God during his time overseas and we're here to support him in any way we can, especially in our prayers! As all of you know, our adversary is never happy when we are obedient to answer the Call of God, but as we unite and intercede in prayers with brothers and sisters all over the world, God will give us the victory over the enemy! Hallelujah! We know that obedience is better than sacrifice (1 Samuel 15:22) and when we're in the will of God, He is with us.

This year we're celebrating 44 years of living in this beautiful country, the United States of America! Alexandra is celebrating 51 years since she accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior and John, 52 years. We're so thankful we answered the call of God on our lives and together we have had the honor and privilege of serving in this Ministry for 33 years. Being obedient to His calling has been the biggest blessing of our lives besides our 3 children. When we escaped from Romania we were full of zeal to serve the Lord and made a promise to Him. We made a commitment to Him, that if He would take us out of the communist regime of Romania safely, we would serve Him and dedicate our lives to His work. Fast forward eight years and three children later, we were living in Southern California, successfully running our own business, and the Lord brought back to our attention what we promised Him back when we escaped Romania. A few months later, we were packed up and on our way to Northern California where we believed the Lord called us to move. Although we faced many challenges along the way like the language barrier, job insecurity, and a new area, we knew the Lord had spoken to us. We served under a ministry for over 2 years where we volunteered to answer phones, helped with television production, assisted with driving and traveling, cooking, cleaning, and wherever else we were needed. All this was done without salaries but the Lord always provided work for us to support our family of five. We served this ministry with all of our hearts. Many people thought it foolish to give up everything we had and serve under a ministry for over 2 years, but those years equipped us for the ministry that God has entrusted us with today. It was more important for us to listen to God's specific instructions than to listen to the voices around us.

During those couple of years, we separated ourselves from most friends (all of our family members were all in Romania) because we didn't want anyone or anything to distract us or cause us to be double minded in our decision to serve. Now looking back, the lessons and experiences we gained during that time are priceless to the work that God called us to do! It was definitely a big step of faith for us, especially with a young family. Both Alexandra and I heard clearly that God wanted us to do this and we're so thankful we obeyed the voice of God because our faith was strengthened so much during that time. The Lord continued to confirm this in different ways to us which encouraged us greatly. God spoke one thing to us very clearly during this transition. He said, "Seek My face and not My hand and I will prove that I'm the God of heaven Who is your provider." And truly during that time, we saw miracle after miracle. The Lord provided a home to live in and our rent was only \$400 a month! Our rent was never raised and we had favor with the landlord to the very day we moved out. We never lacked food, clothing, cars or anything else. The Lord kept our family in good health and we lacked no good thing (Psalm 34:10). We believe the Lord provided for our every need, because we were under His will, obedient to

His work, and willing to serve Him no matter what (Lev 23:3-4). Of course, it is our responsibility as Christians to pray, press in and do the warfare, but God **always** came through for us. We did our part, and God did the rest.

Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ. Galatians 1:10

It is so important, when we make the decision to follow the voice of God, to tune out all the other opposing voices around us. When we make the quality decision to serve God, in whichever way He has called us to serve Him, we have to remember that we are not here to please people, but God *only*.

Dear friend, you are a part of the work of this Ministry that the Lord called us into over 33 years ago! Your prayers, encouragement and financial support is a huge part of this Ministry today. That is obedience on your part and you and your family will be blessed for it. You are under the blessing covering of John Militaru Ministries because of your obedience and your part in this mighty work. In Philippians 4, Apostle Paul writes to the church at Philippi regarding their giving. This is what he says,

Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account. (Phil. 4:16)

What Paul is saying here is that his desire was for the **fruit** or the **blessing** to be added to his partners in ministry. The Philippians were *part* of Paul's ministry. They sent him financial aid when he was in his greatest need and when *no other church was willing to give* to his ministry to help spread the Gospel. Like the Philippians, *you* are part of JMM and you are partakers of the blessing that abounds in this Ministry! Your prayerful support and sacrificial giving is a "*fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God.*" And because of your obedience to partner with us in the spreading of this Gospel, "*My God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.*" Hallelujah! Dear partner, your giving makes you a partaker of every healing, every deliverance, and every life that is given to Christ because of the work here at JMM. Together we make up the body of Christ. Don't ever forget that you are a BIG part of this work and without you, we could not reach souls for the Kingdom. Please keep John and Claudia in your prayers during their time overseas. We covet your prayers!

*"The LORD bless you
and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn his face toward you
and give you peace."
Numbers 6:24-26*

John & Alexandra