

## **Albania**

### 10 DAYS OF PRAYER

We had the prayers translated into Albanian, and sent them by email to most of the fellowships in Albania. We gathered in our local fellowship every morning and evening for those 10 days for prayer. The Holy Spirit moved powerfully among those that gathered, and we got filled with the Spirit, renewed and changed every time. We also had many words and prophecies for other towns and nations.

### GDOP

We organized prayers in the morning at the 6 most important historical locations in Albania, and called for revival of the God given truths and actions for this day(s) that each of these places represented. We experienced a clear guidance from the Holy Spirit and a powerful anointing in revelation, intercession and spiritual warfare.

In the evening we had a common meeting at the International Church (Tirana Assemblies of God), Barry Ogden's fellowship, worshipping and praying for Albania and the nations.

In Korca, a main city in South Eastern Albania, and one of the strongholds of evangelical Christianity, many believers from many fellowships were gathered together for a joint GDOP service in the afternoon.

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Andorra

Austria

Belarus

Belgium

Bosnia & Herzegovina

## **Bulgaria**

We saw God writing His story in Bulgaria in 2008, when we called 10 cities for united prayer with expectations for 10,000 people. Yet on May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008, God touched over 26,000 people from over 82 cities.

This year on May 31<sup>st</sup>, instead of having many small gatherings, we would like to see a movement towards unity. We plan 12 larger events all over the country, where the surrounding smaller cities and villages will join in prayer for Bulgaria.

Organizing and preparing such a large event was a big struggle for many of us. As some of you know, we are just a team of young people and we pass through some very difficult times-physically, financially, and the list goes on...

We held a fast from May 1<sup>st</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> and in that time the situation became even worse. BUT, God is faithful!

As we were looking for a place to have the event in Sofia, God opened the doors for the largest open-air square in Sofia. Last time when the square was rented for such an event, was in 1995 and since that time the church have not been out in public again.

**On the 31<sup>st</sup> of May, we held a remarkable event in the History of the church in Bulgaria. After nearly 15 years, the Church of Bulgaria was once again in the center of Sofia praising and worshipping the name of Jesus.**

Christian websites broadcasted the event LIVE, with over 4,000 people watching it. (About 30,000 people watched recordings of the event two days later)

The opportunity to broadcast LIVE, made us wonder if we could also do it on TV? Broadcasting an unorthodox primetime event in Bulgaria on satellite TV is a challenge. We went there and miraculously received a price which was nearly 10 times greater than usual. Sunday evening, the GDOP event was on the AIR and thousands of people were able to watch it.

On the 21st day of our fast, the heavens responded and the river of God just flooded us. We were able to spread posters and flyers ALL AROUND Sofia to advertise the event. Nearly 1,000 per day in every neighborhood of Sofia.

Also, 20 000 flyers were daily distributed in the most well know places of Sofia by hand.

Together with the president of the Pentecostal Union of Bulgaria and one Christian who was a famous scientist, we gave a press conference. The news was published by different members of the media

Afterwards, an invitation from national radio came and for about 10 minutes spoke about the coming GDOP. We were then informed that around 1.5 to 2 million people had listened to it.

On one TV station, Philip also talked LIVE for over 40 minutes on prayer, relationship with God, and for the coming Global Day of Prayer.

Another interview on a different national radio station was on the AIR Saturday morning for longer than 15 minutes.

The other larger events in Bulgaria also reported a great move of God at the time of the GDOP.

During the prayer day in one city, 8 Muslims accepted Jesus Christ as their personal savior, from which one was instantly healed of cancer.

Other cities invited all the surrounding smaller towns and villages to a stadium and held nearly 5 hours of prayer and worship.

In another city for the first time in the history of the church, all the pastors there agreed to be together and serve the Lord in unity.

After the event the Bulgarian Evangelical Alliance met and agree for the next year GDOP all of the denominational leaders to be involved in the preparation of the event.

Reconciliations among different Christian church groups nationwide, brought the needed unity for more and more sense coming revivals to Bulgaria.

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Croatia

Cyprus

Czech Rep

Denmark

**Estonia**

This year we did the GDOP in Estonia little smaller, because Estonia is such a small country and we had the Franklyn Graham crusade exactly on the same dates. So, we kind of stayed at the side of a huge rock. But we still had 7 churches from different denominations participating, all over Estonia.

Looking ahead to the next year, we will be there on the sunrise again, worshiping our Lord and praying together.

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Faeroe Islands

Finland

## **France**

In **Charleville-Mézières** we were just 30 people. Many who had promised to be there didn't turn up. Pretty discouraging on the Church side. However the few that were there were really pleased to take a stand with Christians around the world in this historical Global Day of Prayer. We were three denominations (Catholic, Reformed and Baptist) represented by members of these churches led by Bishop Joseph Boishu (Roman Catholic), Pastor Rudi Popp (Reformed Church), Father Vincent Di Lizia (Roman Catholic), myself (Baptist) and Olivier Jacob (leader of a Catholic Charismatic Community in Châlons-en-Champagne). You can see photos, mainly of Charleville, but also from Paris Bercy [here](#).

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We were happy this year to organize for the fourth time the Global Day Of Prayer in **Strasbourg France**.

This year the City Council of Strasbourg has greatly helped us. Permits were issued very quickly. The council provided us with a podium and electrical installations including this wonderful place of this public garden where we meet each year free of charge.

### **10 Days of prayer**

For the first time, we organized the 10 days of prayer before the Global Day of Prayer. Our church has taken this time a great part in the organization of the 10 days of prayer. We have identified 10 places of prayer, one per day, where Christians could go to pray together every day. We used the guide to prayer and prayer letters we received daily with the subjects of the prayer meeting and we were richly blessed with this opportunity, Glory to God!

### **THE GDOP**

We were fully blessed. We had a wonderful sunny weather this year also and we really had a pleasure to organize that day. The attendance was just as the year before but with many people from Germany who joined us. The worship team was fantastic and really led us with the songs in the presence of the Lord.

Many people originated from many nations prayed with us at that place. Pastor Pablo Rivera from Bolivia prayed in Spanish and his wife Veronica translated into French. A couple from South America that lives in Germany and already attended the meeting last year joined us this year too. The lady prayer in English and was translated into French too. It was like a "house of prayer for the nations". It was wonderful to be there awaiting a new Pentecost.

Before closing the meeting, we launched the 90 days of blessing and invited people to bless their families, communities, cities, nations, and get engaged in actions that manifest their blessings. We also invited them to join us for the March for Jesus as we do every year now.

Many people that attended the meeting testified they were fully blessed and would come back again. The people from Germany suggested undertaking some actions towards German churches and bringing them to join us next year for a greater meeting.

Now on we are thinking about what specific actions to take in order to bless during the 90 days our city or our community.

We had this year a wonderful and ever renewed experience and we are thankful to the Lord to have made it possible this year too for Strasbourg in FRANCE.

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## **Germany**

A handful of people gathered here at our little AIM church in **Flensburg**, for the Global Day Of Prayer! Me, formally from South Africa, my husband Stan from Poland, Metta a German lady living in Denmark, Elizabeth formally from Romania, Tom from Germany, Solomon from Nigeria & Gabriella from Germany (& from another local church, "a seed" in the region, joining us for GDOP)

Those who were present had a wonderful time of united prayer & were blessed by the awesome presence of God which we felt tangibly. Later that day, we had a barbeque joined by more people & also had more time of prayer!

There's no doubt, we are going to continue to mobilize GDOP next year!

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We had our global day of prayer gathering again in a small village called **Berschweiler** in Germany. It was awesome to see people of different backgrounds come together and pray for the world especially the African community. We also prayed for each continent and had a teen cry out for the young generation.

I would love the whole world to pray for Germany for a holy ghost fire revival to take place in the hearts of every German. They are really good people but they need the revival of God's Spirit. We were over forty in number this year. Glory be to God.

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## **Gibraltar**

### **Greece**

We are grateful to God that by His grace and leading we started a monthly prayer meeting for Greece in April 25th. Pastor Arthur Casas from a Pilipino Church in Athens offered to help us start that meeting with "Life In The Spirit Pilipino Fellowship" in our city, **Iraklion**. They didn't know that we had already enlisted our church (Apostolic Church of Pentecost) for the Global day of Prayer. So we prayed together again on the Global Day of Prayer and pastor Sotiris Karalis from "Bible Fellowship of Iraklion" joined and ministered with the Word of God. We know that God is getting his people together to pray for revival in Greece. From what I know there has never been one yet. So keep us in your prayers. God bless you.

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## **Hungary**

## **Iceland**

## **Ireland**

## **Italy**

## **Kosova**

## **Latvia**

## **Liechtenstein**

On Pentecost-Sunday 31 may 2009 we had a wonderful and special Sunday morning service in our free evangelical church in Liechtenstein.

We would like to participate again next year.

We appreciate your commitment and we are overwhelmed by the fact that all nations of the world have participated in this Global Day of Prayer!!!

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## **Lithuania**

Thanks for helping us join the worldwide family of God in prayer for revival and intercession for salvation of the world.

Our Pentecostal Fellowship in Lithuania was invited to pray in their churches and if possible to join with local churches in 10 days before Pentecost. We used your devices on what and how to pray and in same time we gave people freedom to pray in the way they will find more convenient.

In Vilnius capital city 6 evangelical churches united in prayer every night from 25-31 of May.

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Greetings from Lithuania!

**Panevezys** - It was the first time but we truly know that not last when we made the GDOP in Lithuania. About 10 churches from different denominations come together to pray for the World. We had blessed time in worship and prayer.

We made the video clip from our GDOP in Lithuania,  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pRW9d8Lun8Q>.

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## **Luxembourg**

## **Macedonia**

## **Malta**

For several months in advance of the GDOP we reminded local church leaders of the coming Day of Prayer--and invited them to join other fellowships in a 12-hour multi-denominational prayer/worship service held in the Prayer Room.

We opened the prayer room from 9 a.m. till 9 p.m. that day, and signed up worship leaders from various fellowships to take shifts leading worship. Approximately 50 people came to spend time in prayer/worship over the course of the 12 hours, representing numerous countries, several denominations, and as many as 10 different fellowships.

The first 2 hours of the day were set aside as a "Children's Prayer & Worship time", and the Children's prayer room was open throughout the day, with kids participating in worship in the form of art, dance, music and play. A major theme of prayer throughout the day was for continued reconciliation and greater unity between believers on the island and beyond--as well as for worship to be restored to its proper place here in our (predominately Catholic) country.

There has been a lingering sense of excitement in knowing that as our Bridegroom King draws His bride in Malta to Himself, she will find herself coming together as one pure body, a worthy partner, in perfect agreement with her Husband... and the island and the world will be changed.

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## **Moldova**

Monaco

Montenegro

## **Netherlands**

### **Global Day of Prayer in Almere, The Netherlands (New Day International Church)**

May 30<sup>th</sup> 20.00 to May 31st 20.00, 2009

"We worship you, hallelujah, hallelujah"....

What a great song to celebrate God's presence in our midst.

It was great to experience the days leading up to Pentecost which were full of God's glory and promise, as we were focusing in our church on the nations and the world.

What stood out was coming in unity to God's house to unselfishly lift our heart to Him.

The prayer room experience was new to our church, but with some of us having experienced it, God showed us a vision of what we needed to do. In the end a room was transformed into a place of worship. One of the church members made a beautiful cross of massive wood, really heavy. To get it to the community centre where the Global Day of Prayer 2009 was held he had to carry it through the neighborhood walking.

As some team members were decorating the room we stopped for a while, just after we started thinking about how to set up, and asked God's Spirit to come, to guide us and to fill the place with His Spirit. And that was exactly what was happening.

That evening we had a closure of the season for one of the children groups (ages 9-12), so they cooked and had good fun with each other. As leaders we wanted them to experience the prayer room. After a bit of excitement they calmed down and really expressed themselves to God with painting, drawing and just being there, some of them were sitting at the cross, putting notes on it, others were writing prayers on wall paper, painting, etc. God was working in their hearts. As leaders we thought they would only want to stay for a few minutes, maybe 20 minutes. To our surprise they were not interested in the movie set up for them, which was playing in the other room, but they just lingered in the God's Presence. The last one of the group left the prayer room at 11.30 pm! Some of them even came back early the next morning.

But not only was the youth touched; many of us came to this place of worshipping God, crying out in our hearts for His people, experiencing God's tender touch personally. The room was like a oasis in a busy and hectic world, a place where people were able to meet God in a special way. Hearts were opened; new thoughts were created, as well as experiencing unity together among the churches in Almere.

Even people who never came into the prayer room experienced a special sense as soon as they entered the building. The night sessions were well attended; during the daytime it was harder to get people to stay. However, we made did fill up 24 hours of prayer and worship.

What stood out for us was not that we were there to fulfill our duties as Christians to pray, but that God was there, in ways even beyond our understanding, to meet personal needs, and in the same way, to create open hearts to receive more of Him.

We have been so blessed by these 24 hours of prayer. God met us...and we were there.

We learned a lesson: be available, any time, any place.

We thank God with all that we are for meeting so many in this special place and we felt so honored to have been in His mighty Presence....

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Norway

Poland

**Portugal**

It was extremely hot in the sun but we felt it went well and trust the Lord for a revival in Portugal. We were probably 1000 persons praying. Something positive is that quite a number of churches joined in the 10 days of prayer.

The Evangelical Alliance has decided already that for next year, we will use the big plain at the entrance of the city from the harbor and we will start with a Jesus March on the way to the plain.

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Romania

Russia

### **San Marino**

Erma and I are so thankful to the Lord that this year the Republic of San Marino could officially participate in those very significant 24 hours of global prayer. We wanted to share with you how good God was toward our tiny country: at 10 pm that evening, we were able to present the new work of the Lord in San Marino at an Italian national church leaders' conference at 45 minute's driving distance from San Marino in Italy, and I led an "official" prayer for San Marino, inviting over 300 leaders from almost every region in Italy to pray specifically for San Marino.

I think this is the first time in San Marino's 1701 year history that such a united prayer has ever been pronounced in Italy or in San Marino. Not only was it our joy to be able to represent our country in prayer this year, but it was also our amazement at God's perfect timing which allowed us to make that prayer alongside 300 very strategic, very new Italian prayer partners. What fuel for the fire of God's Kingdom - and from San Marino's neighbors on every side! Praise be to our very gracious and well-organized God!

Again, thank you for spearheading such a wonderful and historic moment for the work of Jesus Christ in San Marino!

Warmest greetings,

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Serbia

Slovakia

Slovenia

Spain

St Helena

Sweden

### **Switzerland**

#### German report

Wir alle wissen, dass es Städte, Flüsse, Berge und Plätze gibt, die von hoher geistiger und strategischer Wichtigkeit sind. Sowohl für Gott und seine Gemeinde, als auch für Satan und seine dämonischen Heere. Einer dieser Orte (wenn nicht gar „der Ort“) in unserem Land ist die Rütliwiese und das darüber liegende Seelisberg. Als Geburtsstätte der Schweiz war und ist dieser Ort „Heiss“ begehrtes und umkämpftes Terrain. Interessant in diesem Zusammenhang, dass 1947 die erste und einzige Internationale Antisemitismus Konferenz in Seelisberg stattgefunden hat, unter Beteiligung aller grosser Kirchen und jüdischer Vertreter.

Daher war es auch kein Zufall, dass in den 70er Jahren die Maharishi Sekte in Seelisberg einzog und dort ein Weltzentrum für Transzendente Meditation entstand. Von hier aus (direkt über der

Rütliwiese) wollten und wollen sie der Welt den Frieden bringen. Wir sind davon überzeugt, dass dieser Ort einer der zugeschütteten Brunnen ist, eine ehemals segensreiche Quelle, die später geistig vergiftetes Wasser produziert und in Umlauf gebracht hat. Doch Gott ist dabei, solche Brunnen wieder frei zu legen. Am 01. April 99, während einer 40-tägigen Nationalen Fastenzeit, waren wir mit einigen Betern vor Ort und Gott gab uns dieses Wort zum beten und proklamieren: "Gott hat dein Königtum gezählt und macht ihm ein Ende! Du bist auf der Waage gewogen und zu leicht befunden worden! Dein Königreich wird zerteilt." (Daniel 5,26-28)

Während der letzten 10 Jahre waren wir in unregelmässigen Abständen immer wieder vor Ort, um zu beten und Gottes Wort über Seelisberg und der Rütliwiese zu proklamieren. Jetzt war die Zeit gekommen einen weiteren Schritt zu tun. Am 31. Mai (Pfingsten) trafen sich ca. 100 BeterInnen auf der Rütliwiese. Es waren Delegationen aller 26 Kantone der Einladung gefolgt. Die Grundlage für dieses Treffen war der Bibeltext aus 2. Chr. 15. Daraus ergaben sich für uns drei Bereiche, für die wir dann gebetet haben:

- **Erneuerung des Altars**

Ein Altar ist als Opferstätte bekannt. Zuerst wurden Altäre allerdings immer dort errichtet, wo Gott den Menschen begegnete. Als ein Erinnerungszeichen. Die Rütliwiese ist solch ein Ort, wo Gott dabei war, mit einbezogen wurde, als unsere Gründerväter ihren Bund schlossen. Deshalb baten wir unsere Geschwister, je einen Stein aus ihrem Kanton mit zu bringen. Dieser Altar aus unbehauenen Steinen sollte auch als „Zeuge“ dienen. Wir dankten für den früheren Segen und es folgte eine Zeit der Busse.

- **In den Bund treten „Gott zu suchen, wie niemals zuvor“**

Busse über alle persönliche Lauheit und Kompromissbereitschaft. Persönliches Ja dazu, Gott zu suchen und ihm mein Leben zur Verfügung zu stellen. Bereit sein sich selbst zu sterben. Dann beteten wir das für die Gemeinde Jesu in unseren Kantonen. Dazu kam jeweils ein Vertreter eines Kantons und legte seinen Kantonsstein in ein „Grab“ um zu symbolisieren, dass nicht mehr wir, sondern Christus in uns leben soll. Es waren sehr bewegende Momente. Wir lasen die 10 Seelisberger Thesen vor. Das Ergebnis der Antisemitismus Konferenz und beteten für Israel und das der Gemeinde Jesu in der Schweiz die Augen aufgehen mögen.

- **Er schaffte die Scheusale weg aus dem Land**

Scheusale, Götzenaltäre, Tempel und ähnliches waren immer schon Zeichen von Besitz- und Machtanspruch. Wir kämpfen nicht gegen Fleisch und Blut aber gegen Mächte und Gewalten. So proklamierten wir die Stelle aus Daniel 5 mehrmals, gemeinsam als Geschwister aus jedem Kanton. Denn dorthin hat der Herr Segen verheissen, wo Geschwister in Einheit zusammen kommen (Ps. 133). Wir glauben, dass in Seelisberg, über der Rütliwiese ein Herrschaftswechsel stattgefunden hat! Und man wird es sehen. Dessen sind wir gewiss!

Das dieses Gebetstreffen an Pfingsten stattgefunden hat und so eingebunden war in den Global Day of Prayer, war kein Zufall, sondern Gottes Strategie. Wir waren ein Teil der weltweit betenden Gemeinde Jesu an diesem Tag. Und unser Wunsch und Anliegen ist es, dass dieser weltweite Gebetstag (Global Day of Prayer) in der Schweiz und im deutsch-sprachigen Raum bekannt und wahrgenommen wird um sich daran beteiligen zu können.

Es ist eine der kraftvollsten Bewegungen Gottes in der Geschichte der Menschheit. Gott suchte sich ein geeignetes „Gefäss“, sprich einen Menschen, mit dem ER seine Vision (Herz) teilen konnte. ER fand ihn in der Person von Graham Power, einem südafrikanischem Geschäftsmann. Noch ganz jung im Glauben, bekam Graham 2001 vom Herrn den Auftrag, an Pfingsten die Gläubigen seiner Stadt (Cape Town) zu einem Gebetstreffen in das grösste Stadion einzuladen. Er war gehorsam und 46000 Christen füllten das Stadion, während einige Tausend draussen bleiben mussten. Der Bibelvers für dieses Treffen (für die Vision) war 2. Chr. 7,14. Im Jahr darauf erteilte Gott den Auftrag, das Gleiche in acht Städten Südafrikas zu tun. Wieder füllten sich in all diesen Städten die grössten Stadien mit Tausenden von Gläubigen. Im 2004 war die Vision, alle 56 Nationen Afrikas (den gesamten Kontinent) zu einem gemeinsamen Gebetstag an Pfingsten zu motivieren. Alle 56 Nationen führten diesen Gebetstag auf der gleichen Grundlage durch: 2. Chr. 7,14. Im Jahre 2005 dann die Vision, dass der Kontinent Afrika die Nationen der Welt einladen sollte, um an Pfingsten miteinander zu beten. Sofort beteiligten sich ca. 140 Nationen daran! Es blieb natürlich nicht bei Treffen in Stadien: Zu Hause, auf öffentlichen Plätzen, in Versammlungshallen und Gottesdiensten kamen Christen zusammen, beteten Gott an, taten Busse und beteten für Familien, Verantwortliche und ihre Länder. In den darauf folgenden Jahren

kamen kontinuierlich immer mehr Nationen dazu. Dieses Jahr war es nun soweit: Christen aus allen 220 Nationen der Welt waren Teil dieser grössten und gewaltigsten Gebetsversammlung der Menschheitsgeschichte.

Letztes Jahr waren es mehr als 500 Millionen Menschen, die Gott um eine Ausgiessung des Heiligen Geistes baten. Dieses Jahr waren es noch einmal weit mehr. Es ist eine einzigartige Zeit in der wir leben. Lasst uns Teil von etwas Aussergewöhnlichem sein. Wir möchten Euch herzlich einladen, an Pfingsten 2010 dabei zu sein. Ganz egal ob in einer kleinen Gruppe zu Hause oder in einer grösseren Versammlung. Wichtig ist, dass Du dabei bist und andere dazu einlädst und motivierst. Weitere Infos unter [www.globaldayofprayer.com](http://www.globaldayofprayer.com) oder auch unter [www.verein-abraham.ch](http://www.verein-abraham.ch)

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## French Report

Nous savons tous qu'il existe des villes, des rivières, des montagnes et des places qui ont une grande importance spirituelle et stratégique. Et cela aussi bien pour Dieu et son Eglise, que pour Satan et ses armées démoniaques. L'un de ces lieux (si ce n'est le seul lieu) dans notre pays est la prairie du Grütli et le village de Seelisberg qui est juste au-dessus. Comme berceau de la Suisse, cet endroit était et est un terrain chaudement convoité et combattu!

A ce propos, il est intéressant de savoir qu'en 1947 a eu lieu à Seelisberg la première et unique Conférence sur l'Antisémitisme; avec la participation de toutes les grandes églises et de représentants juifs.

C'est pourquoi aussi ce ne fut pas un hasard, lorsque dans les années 70 la secte de Maharishi s'installa à Seelisberg et que là un centre mondial de la Méditation Transcendantale fut créé. Depuis là (juste au-dessus de la prairie du Grütli) ils voulaient et veulent apporter la paix au monde. Nous sommes convaincus que ce lieu est l'un des puits qui a été remblayé; autrefois une source bénie, qui plus tard a produit de l'eau empoisonnée spirituellement et qui la répand. Pourtant Dieu est en train de libérer à nouveau de telles sources.

Le 1er avril 99, durant un Jeûne National de 40 jours, nous nous trouvions là avec un petit groupe d'intercesseurs et Dieu nous a donné cette parole à prier et à proclamer:

„Dieu a compté ton règne et y a mis fin. Tu as été pesé dans la balance et tu as été trouvé léger! Ton royaume sera divisé“ (Dan. 5,26-28).

Durant les 10 dernières années, à intervalles irréguliers, nous étions à nouveau sur place pour prier et proclamer la parole de Dieu sur Seelisberg et sur la prairie du Grütli. Maintenant le temps était venu de faire un pas de plus. Le 31 mai 2009 (Pentecôte), une centaine d'intercesseurs se sont retrouvés sur la prairie du Grütli: une délégation de chacun des 26 cantons était présente en réponse à l'invitation. La base de ce rassemblement était le texte de 2. Chroniques 15. De là ont été tirés trois domaines pour lesquels nous avons prié ensemble:

– **Renouveau de l'autel**

Un autel est connu comme un lieu de sacrifices. Autrefois les autels ont bien sûr toujours été édifiés là où Dieu s'est révélé à l'homme. Comme un mémorial. La prairie du Grütli est un tel lieu où Dieu était présent lorsque nos pères fondateurs ont prêté serment, car Il y a été associé. C'est pourquoi nous avons prié les frères et soeurs d'apporter chacun une pierre de leur canton. L'autel ainsi formé de pierres non taillées devait servir de témoignage. Nous avons remercié pour la bénédiction passée, puis nous avons vécu un temps de repentance.

– **Entrer dans l'Alliance „Chercher Dieu comme jamais auparavant“**

Se repentir pour notre tièdour personnelle et notre inclination au compromis. Donner notre oui personnel pour cette recherche de Dieu et mettre notre vie à Sa disposition. Etre prêt à mourir à soi-

même. Ensuite nous avons prié cela pour nos communautés dans nos cantons. Dans ce but un représentant d'un canton s'est avancé à tour de rôle et a déposé sa pierre cantonale dans une „fosse“, pour symboliser que ce n'est plus nous mais Christ qui vit en nous. Ce furent des moments émouvants. Nous avons lu les 10 thèses de Seelisberg, qui avaient résulté de la Conférence sur l'antisémitisme, puis nous avons prié pour Israël et demandé que dans l'église de Suisse les yeux puissent s'ouvrir.

– **Débarasser le pays des abominations**

Des monstres, des autels idolâtres, des temples et d'autres choses pareilles ont toujours été des signes de droit à la propriété et de prétention au pouvoir. Nous avons combattu non contre la chair et le sang, mais contre les puissances et les autorités. Ainsi nous avons proclamé plusieurs fois, ensemble avec les représentants de chaque canton, le texte de Daniel 5. Car le Seigneur a promis Sa bénédiction là où des frères et soeurs marchent ensemble dans l'unité (Ps. 133). Nous croyons qu'à Seelisberg, au-dessus de la prairie du Grütli, un changement de domination s'est produit! Et on le verra. Nous en sommes certain!

Que cette rencontre de prière ait eu lieu à Pentecôte et fut ainsi incluse dans la Journée mondiale de prière (Global Day of Prayer) n'a pas été un hasard, mais une stratégie de Dieu. Nous étions une partie de cette communauté mondiale priante en ce jour. Et c'est notre souhait et notre demande que cette Journée mondiale de prière soit connue et prise en compte en Suisse et dans la partie alémanique, afin que l'on puisse y participer. C'est l'un des mouvements les plus puissants de Dieu dans l'histoire de l'humanité.

Dieu chercha un „récipient“ adéquat, c'est-à-dire un homme auquel il pourrait partager Sa vision (son coeur). Il le trouva en la personne de Graham Power, un homme d'affaires sud-africain. Ce jeune chrétien reçut du Seigneur en 2001 d'inviter les croyants de sa ville à Pentecôte pour une rencontre de prière dans le plus grand stade. Il obéit et ce sont 46'000 chrétiens qui remplirent le stade, alors que quelques milliers durent rester dehors. Le verset choisi pour la rencontre était Il Chron. 7,14 (qui ne le connaît pas?). Une année plus tard, Dieu lui donna le mandat d'organiser une telle rencontre dans 8 villes d'Afrique du Sud. A nouveau les plus grands stades furent remplis de milliers de croyants dans chacune de ces villes. En 2004, Graham reçut de Dieu la vision de motiver les 56 nations d'Afrique (donc le continent entier) pour organiser une journée de prière commune à Pentecôte. Ainsi les 56 nations réalisèrent une journée de prière sur le même fondement de Il Chron. 7,14 . L'année 2005, Graham reçut la vision que le continent africain devait inviter les nations du monde pour prier ensemble à Pentecôte. Immédiatement quelques 140 nations y participèrent. Ce ne furent évidemment pas seulement des rassemblements sur des stades: dans les maisons, sur les places publiques, dans des halles de rencontre et des lieux de cultes les chrétiens se rassemblèrent, adorèrent Dieu, se repentirent et prièrent pour les familles, les responsables et pour leur pays. Les années qui suivirent, toujours plus d'autres nations se sont ajoutées progressivement. Cette année on est enfin arrivé au but: des chrétiens des 220 nations du monde ont pris part à la plus grande et la plus puissante réunion de prière de toute l'histoire de l'humanité! L'année passée, ce sont plus de 500 millions de chrétiens qui prièrent Dieu pour un déversement du Saint-Esprit. Cette année il y en avait encore beaucoup plus.

C'est un temps vraiment unique que nous vivons. Participons donc à quelque chose d'extraordinaire. Nous aimerions vous inviter chaleureusement à être présent à la Pentecôte 2010. Peu importe si c'est dans un petit groupe à la maison ou bien dans un plus grand rassemblement. L'important c'est que tu sois présent et que tu invites et motives aussi d'autres personnes. Pour plus d'informations, voir sous [www.globaldayofprayer.com](http://www.globaldayofprayer.com) ou aussi sous [www.verein-abraham.ch](http://www.verein-abraham.ch).

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## Ukraine

I am writing from small mountainous town of **Rakhiv in Western Ukraine**. Rakhiv lies at the foot of Goverla mount - the highest top of Ukraine. We are a small Christian congregation called by the Lord Jesus to pursue His Divine calling in this broken land. Rakhiv is populated by people of different ethnic background: Ukrainians, Hungarians, Romanians, Roma (gypsy), Germans and small number of Russian. All in all about 16000 people. Out of all these people Evangelical Christians constitute a number of about 40 people (our fellowship, a small Adventist group, small baptist gathering and small group of Hungarian-speaking Reformed). Most people in Rakhiv are Orthodox and catholic, but many of locals are Jehovah's Witnesses, who by far outnumbered Evangelical Christians, not only in the town of Rakhiv, but also in the whole district.

As congregation we felt called to support Global Day of Prayer on 31 May, and our gathering that Sunday was full of tears, with appropriate repentance for multiple transgressions and crimes before the Lord which our people are guilty in and therefore we reap the consequences of defiled land - with much poverty, drunkenness, and serious health problems, spiritual and moral downfall. The Spirit of the Lord was clearly present at our gathering and we all experienced His apparent blessing upon each participant. I personally believe something new was born that evening for the congregation and the town - some ancient stronghold has fallen. We prayed not only for our town, but in hearts united with all Christians around the Globe, covered in our prayer other nations as well.

Next day we decided to continue our special prayer event in small group established in Gypsy camp, consisting of only Roma people. They are the most difficult people to evangelize. But that evening, I believe, something have happened there. We never had such powerful, long and really deep foundational prayer experience with Roma people as that evening. I believe some rock bottom changes have taken place over spiritual atmosphere of the camp.

We are all excited to see further fruits of God's moves in our Land (as He has promised in 2 Chr. 7:14) and we ask You to also pray for our little town and Christians here.

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## United Kingdom

We had the largest number of places taking part for the fifth year of GDOP with 15 events in Northern Ireland, 41 in England, 3 in Wales and 2 in Scotland. In our sister nations, there were events in Jersey (Channel Islands), Isle of Man and the Republic of Ireland.

We had **endorsement from the Prime Minister**, Gordon Brown, for GDOP across the UK '*...by offering prayers for your communities and nations you are continuing a long-standing Christian tradition of prayer and action for the common good and I am pleased to send my best wishes and support*'. GDOP London had **support from the Mayor of London**, Boris Johnson, and involved thousands of Christians across all boroughs, full report: [www.gdoplondon.com](http://www.gdoplondon.com).

**This year**, God was clearly calling His people in the UK to unity in the place of prayer during the shaking that is affecting our economic and political systems. Many reports spoke of 'a **strong sense of urgency**' and at the same time '**the strong presence of God**' - '**it had a touch of glory about**' (Beverley) as well as seeing **wonderful answers to prayer**.

**The 10 days of prayer** provided another catalyst for 24/7 prayer which is taking place in many ways across our nation. Most of the locations participated by running different types of prayer rooms following the GDOP prayer themes, e.g. in York they had 15 prayer rooms around the city and in London the M25 Nutcracker initiative mobilized 10 prayer rooms around the M25.

**Deeper level of prayer.** As groups of Christians gathered on hillsides, in parks, in city squares, in cathedrals, churches, along city walls, in a university, a football stadium on Pentecost Sunday the Holy Spirit was at work *'The prayer time based on 2 Chronicles 7 v 14 was I believe the beginning of a call to a deeper level of prayer in the city of Sunderland.'* *'The time of repentance was sobering, but a shift was experienced during the prayer for the Holy Spirit to come. Isaiah 64:1 was quoted with the emphasis on the "OH! ...That You would REND the Heavens and COME DOWN!"*

**Christian Unity.** All speak of the joy of meeting together with other Christians across the denominations. *'The reports from Northern Ireland speak of the encouragement at the growing unity among local churches taking part'.* In Ipswich, 3000 Christians gathered as most of the churches closed their morning services (for the first time in living memory!). For Churches Together in Beckenham *'This is a new, fresh start for CTiB.*

**Joy, praise and all age involvement.** A notable feature of many of the reports is the sense of celebration, joy and fun. Banners were held high, shofars and trumpets resounded Gods' praise. Picnics and cream teas provided a gathering place from which to pray. Creative prayer stations and interactive prayer rooms enabled all the generations to take part. *'We had banners. We had prayer and rejoicing... it is exciting to see our unity grow. It leads us to expect great things as God keeps His promises!'*

**Involving churches:** Following the lead of GDOP in London last year, all churches across London and many across the UK were invited to join in with GDOP in their morning services and many have done so, thus involving more people in praying for the nations of the world. **York Minster** hosted its 5<sup>h</sup> GDOP prayer event and *'this year Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup> history was made in York, as Christians climbed the ancient walls of the city and prayed there at 5.45 pm. Hundreds and hundreds of watchmen from churches of every spectrum joined in prayer as trumpets blew to trigger different attitudes of prayer'.* After which 1200 gathered for a 2 hour dynamic prayer celebration. *'Global Day of Prayer 2009 was certainly a day that the churches of York will remember for a long time to come. Many commented that this was the greatest of the five years we have celebrated together'.*

**Developing Partnerships with the Church, community leaders and government leaders.** In recent years, God has been opening doors for the church to become more connected to those in leadership in local community and national government. Many of the events organised welcomed Lord Mayors, leaders of borough councils and Chief Constables. *'There is a partnership developing in Swansea between representatives of the church, the police and the City Council. This was reflected as the Lord Mayor and the Chief Constable addressed the crowd'.*

**Prayer and action: answers to prayer.** In **Northampton** they did *'Faith on the Streets just before Pentecost Sunday and together with the Festival we seen 18 people saved, 40 others wanting follow up literature and 220 questionnaires completed'.* In another town in England someone just out of prison came to faith in Jesus. In **N Ireland** a group *'was prompted onto the streets in practical prayer. On Friday night a team met individuals as they came out of the pubs and served them hot drinks whilst taking opportunities to share God's love with them and even pray with them'.* And in **Luton** *'after praying lots for the police on Wednesday during our 10 Days of Prayer sessions Bedfordshire Police reported ZERO Burglaries, Zero Vehicle Crimes, Zero Robberies. There had been rioting in Luton last Sunday, so we thank God for answering our prayers and giving us this encouragement'.* In **Bristol** they report *'we heard fantastic stories from the St Paul's Prayer Patrol of how the police are requesting their presence at trouble spots around Bristol'.*

### **And the future?**

Well, the mobilization of prayer and action by the Holy Spirit across our nations continues. GDOP is just one of the initiatives that God is using to link us together to pray and work for transformation both in our local communities and for our nations. We need to continue to press on to seek God for His will and to work for His Kingdom to come. GDOP Dates next year: 13-22 May 10 days of prayer, 23 May GDOP, 24 May – 21 Aug 90 days of blessings. The Prayer Forum website will seek to keep the information flowing – sign up if you haven't already done so. World

Prayer Centre is hosting a national day of prayer on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at NEC 'The Presence' all are invited! ([www.worldprayer.org.uk](http://www.worldprayer.org.uk))

**More information**

- GDOP Northern Ireland [www.transformations-ireland.org](http://www.transformations-ireland.org)
- GDOP London [www.gdoplondon.com](http://www.gdoplondon.com)
- GDOP UK [www.globaldayofprayer.co.uk](http://www.globaldayofprayer.co.uk)
- Connecting with prayer across British Isles and Ireland [www.prayerforum.org](http://www.prayerforum.org)

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**Isle of Man**

We had a GDOP gathering in the Cathedral, St German's in Peel, to which there were eight denominations represented and participated in the Prayer for the World.

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