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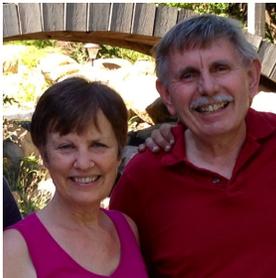


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The Future of Bridge for Peace Rome

"We never imagined"

A pot of tea and assorted Italian coronetti pastries graced the coffee table as we discussed the way forward for Bridge for Peace in Rome. Brilliant Mediterranean sun poured through French doors into our rented apartment, but the five priests, Franciscan sister, and we three American mission team members were lit up from the inside at the close of a fruitful Bridge for Peace Rome Prayer Walk 2019. Our diverse circle included citizens from India, Nigeria, Uganda, and America, aged 27 to 70. This year in Rome we prayed for church leaders

from Cameroon, India, Democratic Republic of the Congo, America, Rwanda, Papua New Guinea, China, Tanzania, Angola, Vietnam, Thailand, Canada, Jamaica West Indies, Kenya, Bangladesh, Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Australia, South Sudan, Uganda, Chad, Venezuela, Korea, Malawi, Mozambique, Burundi, Burkina Faso, South Africa, Ghana, Ethiopia, Zambia, Togo, Columbia, Senegal, Central African Republic, Madagascar, Mexico, Italy, Myanmar, Philippine Islands, Guatemala, Liberia, Japan, Pakistan, Poland—45 nations. As we prayed for the fu-

ture of B4P Rome, that has impacted so many, we touched first on our history.

In 1997, Ed and I had befriended a Nigerian priest, former secretary to the bishop, a student in Rome. He told us loneliness and even depression weighed on him and many foreign priest students. The heaviness resulted in nervous breakdowns, hospitalization, and even suicide for some. As we prayed, the Holy Spirit showed us Acts of the Apostles chapter 12. Herod imprisoned Peter

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Pizza and Prayer Annual Rome Event



Italian Legal Advisor Elizabeth

—a preacher, teacher, and church leader. Friends gathered, prayed, and supernatural power was released. An angel freed Peter. Chains fell off, the prison door opened, he walked out free. He immediately went to the house of his praying friends and knocked on the door. Rhoda, a servant, went to answer. She recognized Peter's voice, got excited, forgot to open the door, and ran to announce Peter's arrival. His friends told her, "You are out of your mind!" She insisted it was true. Peter kept knocking. Finally, they opened the door and were amazed. After a few words, Peter left immediately for the mission God sent him on. This scripture became key in our discernment to plan what became an annual Rome mission trip.

We understood we were to go to Rome simply to pray for those struggling with spiritual oppression, imprisoned by demonic forces, like Peter experienced. We never imagined the B4P Rome Prayer Walk would continue annually for 22 years! We never imagined what began on the street would birth a prayer meeting in Rome, an annual retreat for priests and nuns, and now legal status of B4P with the Italian government is on

the near horizon.

This scripture alerted us to the power of prayer. Though the community prayed for Peter, they didn't believe he was freed. They didn't believe in the power of their prayer. They told Rhoda she was crazy! God wants us to understand our prayers can open prison doors, deliver the captive, and launch people into the mission field. In obedience, B4P has raised up intercessors for the Rome Prayer Walk from the worldwide community for over twenty years.

Three priests at the B4P planning meeting hope to obtain doctorate degrees in Rome, the fourth is studying for his master's degree. Sister Jackline has been on Sabbatical from a teaching assignment in India. She adopted us as spiritual parents four years ago when we met at a B4P Rome prayer meeting. As the group joined hands in prayer that day, Ed stood on her right, I stood on her left. She said, "It was like I was holding the hands of my own dear parents."

She visited us this year in Rome. Ed met her at the bus stop, they wound their way through the neighborhood streets, and up the hill. We prayed for her. Then she phoned India and we prayed again for her sister and broth-

er-in-law. Last year when we prayed for him, he was blind as a result of diabetes. His sight has returned! However, he now receives dialysis and needs prayers for the total healing of his kidneys.

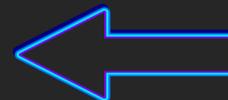
Later, as Sr. Jackline bundled up to leave, she handed me an envelope and said, "Here, Mom. I want you to have this." I felt a lump in my throat, tears blurred my eyes, I didn't want to take it. Franciscans hold all things in common, imitating the Acts of Apostles. Needs are assessed, an allowance is provided. I know how simply she lives. "It's very little," she said in her musical Indian English. "You and Dad, do a lot to come here to help us. Others are sacrificing, too. This mission is important. I said to myself, *I can do my small part, too.*" I wrapped my arms around her. This gift came at a great price. (Later I learned it took her one year to save the 50 Euro.)

While planning for the future of B4P Rome, members restated the urgent nature of the mission. God fortified our resolve to continue to pray for priests to be free to worship the Lord in spirit and truth worldwide.

—Annette



Watch “13
Reasons
+ To Live
in Hope”
right here



Hope is Here

“I devoured your book ‘Spiritual Secrets About Suicide’ and I’m not a reader. I couldn’t put it down. I felt something happen inside as I read. For the first time, I’m not afraid. I can’t ever remember feeling unafraid.”

It is time to stop the lies. B4P is on a mission to save lives and save souls. Depression, anxiety, and suicidal thoughts found an inroad, but B4P establishes a roadblock in the Name of Jesus Christ and turns back the forces of hell. Many people are afraid of the Spiritual Secrets About Suicide book. These people need to read SSAS and get equipped. Everyone needs the information and instruction in SSAS. It is time to get free of fear through Jesus Christ.

A beautiful blonde young woman, talented, and extremely personable testified at a venue where the B4P team ministered. High school grads to thirty year olds were attentive as she spoke from personal experience after my SSAS presentation. She recently heard the voice of the spirit of suicide and spent a night in torment. It was The Voice of Jesus that brought her through.

A pastor in his mid-forties told me, “I spent three nights in hell. Through B4P prayers I have come through to

the other side.”

A woman in her seventies wept like a child. When B4P ministered to her, God released her from depression and guilt she carried for 53 years. People of all ages and nations need the hope we have through Jesus Christ.

The Father sent His Word, His love letter, Jesus Christ. God’s message of hope guides B4P, it is clear to us. But to some, God speaks an indecipherable foreign language. Often I hear people say, “I read the Bible sometimes, but I don’t understand it. Others are exposed to “Christianese” which is incomprehensible to the non-Christian.

B4P strives to speak directly—disclosing truth, sharing experiential knowledge, imparting divine revelation, and teaching with Holy Spirit power. Last week, a group leader texted me after B4P held a healing service at her church. She said, “I really love how you minister in such a gentle, approachable way...you guys as a ministry just feel like a warm hug. You love people into a place of freedom...”

We launched B4P “Hope Is Here” Facebook campaign on March 20. People are responding to the message of hope in Jesus Christ. We are receiving email requests for prayer. People struggling as loved ones suf-

fer depression and others with addiction are reaching out for hope, perseverance, and freedom found in Jesus Christ.

We have attractive and encouraging prayer cards/bookmarks you can view on our website www.bridgeforpeace.org and download for free. We have nineteen prayer cards speaking to the topic “The reason to live in hope is...” Some reasons to live in hope the B4P international team has identified follow here. “Seasons change. You may feel stripped and bare, but new leaves come.” “Problems are not permanent.” “There is beauty in the world waiting for you to discover it.” “You are more than your guilt and shame.” Access our downloadable prayer card. Go to the “RESOURCE” tab. Click “PRAYER CARDS”. Scroll down, select a card, print for yourself or as a help for someone you know. “Hope Is Here” concludes Thursday, April 11th at 7:30pm EST with a B4P webinar and Facebook Live session.

God uses B4P mightily to release people from torment. Help tell people the truth. Share the Bridge for Peace message on Facebook. Comment on and like Bridge for Peace Facebook posts. “Hope is Here” through Jesus Christ our Bridge for Peace!

—Annette



B4P Int'l School Opens

Boys and girls who will impact their nation and the world through the power of Jesus Christ marched into the Bridge for Peace Primary School on February 4th. These pioneers are the first students to attend our school. We pray God will use these youngsters mightily and continually increase their sphere of influence. Our boys and girls from B4P Children's Village are our first attendees as we continue equipping the school. As our students experience the transformational power of the Holy Spirit within themselves our prayer is that God will use them to heal the deep wounds of people who have suffered spiritually, physically, and economically.

The B4P International Primary School Board of Education in Uganda consists of exemplary community leaders who embrace B4P foundational principles of lifelong discipleship, personal standards of excellence, and a service mentality for the glory of God. Meeting with our B4P Board of Education, Ed and I shared our vision. "Our hope is to guide children to discover their purpose in life through the Word of God. B4P missionaries worldwide are successful teachers, medical professionals, therapists, accountants, and people with expertise in many fields.

These missionaries will visit and share experiences with our students. As children explore the opportunities our school offers, we pray they will find the giftedness God built into them to succeed in their field."

Mr. Joseph, volunteer member of B4P Board of Education and headmaster in charge of over 100 district schools commended us for the goals. "I am so happy to hear God will be at the center of this school! We want to see B4P International Primary School become the flagship school of the district." The education office was already receiving phone calls from parents in the area who have been watching the building take shape asking, "When can I register my child?"

We applaud the generosity of every benefactor who contributed to the construction of the B4P International Primary school so children, particularly our orphaned children, may benefit. We pray your love for God and exemplary heart for service will live on through the students who attend now and in future generations. If you have not had an opportunity to be part of the B4P International Primary School, you have an opportunity to impact generations through your generosity. We still have unmet needs to complete the vision and we welcome your participation!

—Annette



March

20-April 11 **13+ Reasons for Hope Facebook Campaign... SHARE!**

26-29 Nat'l Religious Broadcasters Conference, Anaheim CA

31-April 20 All Australia Team **Uganda Mission**

April

6-13 B4P RaphaEl **Zambia Mission**

6 **Lord is it I?** 7pm @ St John's Center Moriches

7 **Lord is it I?** 3pm @ St Anselm's Shoreham

11 **Webinar** 7:30 EDT Get access link

23 **Samantha's** Li'l bit of Heaven @7

Annette's Blog

www.annetteeckart.blogspot.com

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Event Details

www.bridgeforpeace.org/

TV Times

All Nassau and Suffolk Counties:

Mon. 10 a.m. Channel 115

Tues 7:30 a.m. Channel 20

Wed. 8:30 a.m. Channel 115

Manhattan MNN 3p.m:

Alternating Mondays starting Nov 26

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