

Thanks

to the WRVS women's organization. At a WRVS coffee morning, they gathered and filled grocery bags for our organization! Chairman Angela and Treasurer Barbara came and delighted us with all of this... Still we have many to share it with.



Watch the new short film on the website www.maj-lis.org

about the poor pensioners who our Foundation helps.

They came full of fear, after being robbed by criminal gangs in Portugal. Maj-Lis comes and gives them comfort.



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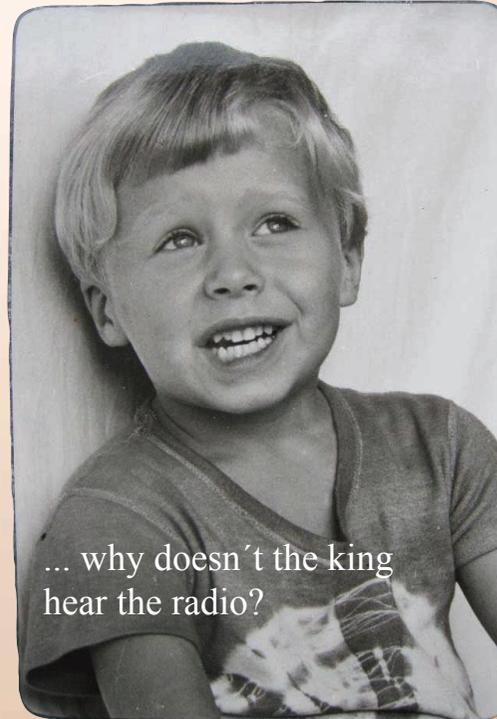
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A Hope in the Dark

Newsletter

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-Why are we in Portugal, Dad? wonders Mikael 3½ years. I think we should stay with grandmother in Sweden.

-Yes, but it's good that we can be here and do radio programs that tell others about Jesus? There are even places where you can get killed if you do that.

-But why is it like that?

-Because in some countries, the king or president has decided that we are not allowed to talk about God.

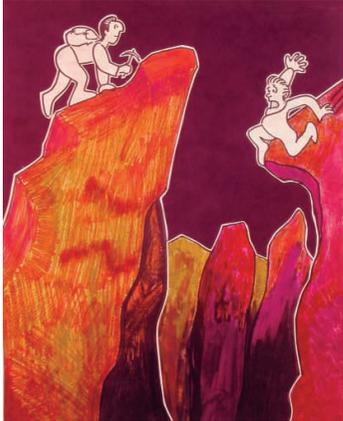
-But Dad, why doesn't the king hear the radio then? wonders Mikael.

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Dear colleagues and friends!

May 30, 2015

What should we do to win in such a difficult world? Overcoming the power of evil! Isis creates fear. Young people from our countries go to Syria to war. They find a "life mission", they seem to think. They live in our world, but make their choice and take up violence and terror against Christians and Jews.



Darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people, is written in Isaiah 60: 2, and in Luke 21: 25-27, nations will stand helpless not knowing which way to turn from the roar and the surge of the sea. Climate Threats. Doomsday. Never have people been as fascinated by Earth's final doom as now. How can evil be so dominant in a person that he/she wants to kill? How can the Eternal allow it? Indeed, it is God himself who has the last word.

God does not want anyone lost but that all should reach repentance, therefore he warns us. Isaiah 59: 1-2 *Listen! The Lord's hand is not so short that he cannot save; neither his ear heavy that he cannot hear! But your iniquities have separated you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he will not hear.*

Sin is refusing to do God's will! Not doing everything God wants. Since Adam's rebellion against God, it is in human nature to refuse to obey. Sin cuts us off from God and leads us to live our lives on our own terms. We are

every day faced with choices. What do we choose? ...if he has no control over his tongue, he is deceiving himself...

We have to **fill ourselves** with the good and with God's help **choose** the good.



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News from Portugal

Summer Camps for children this year too.

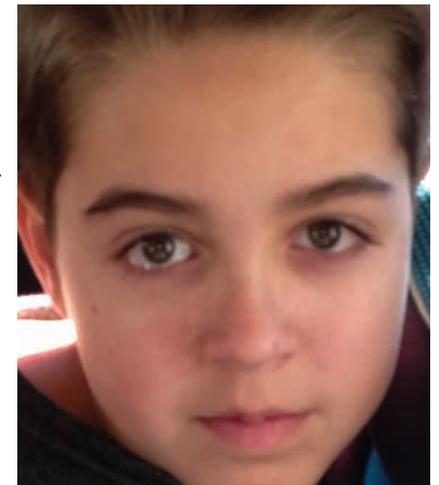
Since the eighties, we have taken kids with us to camps. Those involved have seen with their own eyes that there is an amazing life where hope and faith prevails.



If there is no money around, then the children's needs are easily put to the side. Kids need good role models and healthy food, but they also need to get the opportunity to read and write, to be able to cope in today's society. Hundreds of thousands of adults are illiterate in this country and so many children remain illiterate too.

In the past, we worked through adults, but it often happened that after having helped a child into a school, bought books, uniforms and school bags, suddenly they stopped going to school. The children had to stay home to care for their younger siblings, when the adult went out.

Join us and make camp possible for one child or more. Last year, it cost about 70 E for a child: the rental of the farm and the return trip, food, insurance and materials to work with. Most helpers are volunteers. This year we expect it to be 80 Euros per child. We hope we can send many children and give them hope and faith.



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