

**A new priority area for the Foundation, is Eritrea in the north of East Africa**

Eritrea is a country that hasn't received much focus and that has now come to our attention. Elsa, one of the staff where Eskil was taken care of during his illness, is from Eritrea, by the Red Sea, bordering with Sudan, Ethiopia and Djibouti.



Elsa prays a lot for her fellows-countrymen who have no admission to their churches. In the middle of the poverty, the believers are persecuted and put into jail. In May 2002 thirty six churches were shut down and **today all churches appear to be closed.**

Since I have spent more time **in Sweden** during my husband's illness, **new contact has been established and old once have been renewed.** People have donated good things that we have been able to help Elsa pack and send away to Eritrea were her relatives and friends organize the distribution. In the coming days we are struggling with the next posting. In order for the load to reach the one it is aimed for, we now need to help Elsa with the posting.

**Your contribution in all projects is indispensable. It is a blessing to be able to help others and give relief from their burdens, and in that way help poverty reduction.**

- **Give a gift to the Maj-Lis Foundation!**
- By asking your bank to transfere a gift to the Foundations account you help us attend more people deeply in need.
- **Foundations Gift Account:**
- IBAN: SE1395000099602609004995
- BIC/SWIFT: NDEASESS
- Bankadress: Nordeabank Sweden, SE 105 73 Stockholm
- If you send an email to **gift@maj-lis.org** we can make sure you keep recieving the Newsletter about how the Foundations work proceeds, thanks to your help.

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**A Hope in the Dark**

A Newsletter From **Maj-Lis Humanitarian Foundation in Portugal**  
*September - November 2008*



**The latest support via the Foundation was allocated to AIDS-affected children in Portugal.**

A few other organisations got help as well. See page 3 for more info.

*(This photo is not of the AIDS-affected children that have been helped by the Foundation).*

Dear Friends!

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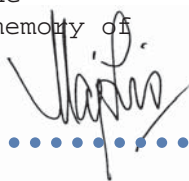
**My husband and life companion passed away on the 3rd of July.** To say that we miss him greatly is an understatement. With the help of the Lord we are still 'holding the fort' and endeavouring to take care of the work that is left for us to do. Our focus, booth of us, has been to give priorities to God and his Kingdom. Eskil dedicated over fifty years to get that message across, mainly via media. During the forty three years we got together it took us to over a hundred countries, were we managed to start Christian radio program and share the vision to let as many as possible get the possibility to receive the peace and security that God desires to gives each and every one of us.

It was during the years in Portugal that an enormous amount of people from the colonies that the Portuguese had built up, and now suddenly had to give up... **It was just there and then, we got to start this relief work.** Both grown up and children begged to survive and struggled to find something to put in their empty plastic bags. Even if we would have had hundred channels to send radio on, they would not have been searching for a Christian channel. What they needed was primarily something to still their hunger.

**So meanwhile the radio transmission was growing with language after language, our efforts for the people living on the same street as us, increased to a proper and larger organisation (leading to the establishment of this Foundation).**

Now, Eskil is gone, or home as we believers name it, and our children have flown around the world. The Foundation, which we, together with my Pentecostal church in Sweden started over 20 years ago, has survived even these difficult years since Eskil got his stroke, and now face new challenges. You may pray for us that we are taking the right decisions.

Many have consoled us. If you wish to **honour the memory of Eskil**, please give a donation to the Foundation. Write: "To the memory of Eskil".



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## News from Portugal

### AIDS affected children in Portugal

In the latest Newsletter we mentioned a large delivery that was transported from Belgium to Portugal by Fabien. Now everything has been divided and delivered as fair as possible. Several organisations have come by the Foundation to collect their share.

#### **This delivery, containing computers and food went to:**

Orphanage -Lar Betania,

The two Elder care centres of ACRA in Bicesse and Almerim,

ACRA – Soup delivery

ACCRA - Reception for narcotic abuse –  
preparation for coming to treatments,  
and a Home for Aids affected children.

**Someone** had also initiated to pay for twenty poor pastors and their wives from Angola in order for them to be able to participate in a conference in Lisbon and **the Foundation was pleased to be able to provide them with food during their stay in Portugal.**

For practical reasons we did not send material to the south of Bulgaria were the needs are great, especially in the work among children that is carried out by Hari and Penka. However, we made a financial donation to be used to purchase material in the country itself.

**The focus of the Foundation remains to help as many as possible, in the most effective way as possible, with the financial allocations that we receive.**



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