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God's Perfect Timing

Dear Friends,

This is a short newsletter. We're aware that time flies, and we wanted to send something out before the end of the year. We've just had over 40 cm snow (!). Everything is covered in a blanket of pristine white and the building looks beautiful in its fresh white gown. Here are a couple of photos we took from our balcony. You can see Auschwitz-Birkenau on the left. It's all so clear. Lit up by the morning sun.





When we wrote our last newsletter, we were about to sign a contract for a disabled lift for the front steps. Well, the lift was installed this week in the midst of freezing temperatures and falling snow. It's not quite finished. There are a few more things that have to be done, but it all works! What I really like is that it blends so well with the house and doesn't stand out when you look at it from the road. There's a link to a short video at the bottom of this newsletter if you are interested.





Walking in God's timeline

"**For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a future and a hope**." (Jer. 29:11)

There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under the heavens. (Eccl. 3:1)

I've always had a love for numbers in the bible, and recently God has been showing me how precise His timing has been in our lives. He's even given me dreams with numbers and dates in them. The numbers and dates are often symbolic, and I need to "de-code" them to get the meaning. It's fun. But it's also awesome how accurate it is.

For example, He took me to the date when we left Germany to come to Poland to start this journey of faith with Him. The date was the 1 August 2008 (01.08.08) and if you look at the numbers, they all point to a "new beginning".

- 1 means beginning or start. It's the first number.
- August is the 8th month and 8 means new beginning. It comes after 7 (spiritual completion).
- And the year is 08, which again means new beginning.

So, the date describes exactly what was happening in our lives at that time. I was leaving my job and everything we had known before, to start a new beginning with Him.

Coincidence?

Then the Lord took me to the date when we started to build the Prayer House. We didn't choose that date; it was simply the date when the builders wanted to start. However, the numbers described exactly the new season we were entering in.

There were other dreams with numbers, but I won't go into them now.

For a while, we've been wondering if we had missed something, if we were still in step with God's timeline, because the last couple of years have been rather slow, and it's taken longer to build the Prayer House than we originally anticipated. This was the context for the dreams. But the most recent ones were incredibly positive and encouraging! Father was assuring us that everything is "on target".

A new season

There is a new season coming to the Prayer House. A new outpouring. It won't stay like it is right now. There is a lot more that Father wants to release. But there is a specific time for this, and so we need to be patient. In the meantime, we continue to do what we're doing, to finish the building works and to host individuals and groups.

God has a plan for each one of us. It's unique, perfectly crafted to the way He designed us. That's why we shouldn't compare ourselves with anyone else because we're all different. But the reason we're here on the earth is to accomplish what He's planned. David wrote,

"**Your eyes saw my unformed substance, and in Your book were written all the days that were fashioned for me, before any one of them came to be**." (Ps. 139:16)

Our Father has written a book about each one of us. It contains His plan for our life. And as we progress through life's journey, He reveals it to us in many different ways. This is the job of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said,

"**When He, the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; He will only speak what he hears, and He will tell you what is still to come.**" (John 16:13)

Bit by bit He reveals our calling and destiny. We want to synchronise with His plan for our lives. We don't want to rush ahead or hold back and drag our feet. Everything works well in His time.

We wish you all a very blessed holiday season and New Year.

With love and blessings.
Mark and Cathy

P.S. Below is a link to a video. This will take you to a webpage on our website. Unfortunately, we have found it takes a while for the video to buffer - so please be patient!

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