



NEW LIFE

NEW START

Great stories inside...

ESCAPE FROM DEATH FINDING NEW LIFE AND HOPE

As we go to press, our evangelist and his family are either on their way through the jungles of Central America, or are still languishing back home. Not everything is bad in their homeland, the Communist government allows limited freedom to worship. But opportunities to evangelize are very restricted. Our evangelist is leaving so he can be a greater blessing to the Latin world while continuing to bring messages of HOPE to his own people. The Carter Report and supporters have funded this escape from totalitarianism to freedom. TO SEE WHERE OUR EVANGELIST AND FAMILY ARE RIGHT NOW,* **GO ONLINE AND VIEW OUR WEBSITE AT CARTEREPORT.ORG**.

*As we send out this letter, we are still awaiting news of their escape.

KEEPING THE LIGHT BURNING IN UKRAINE *PROVIDING LOVE IN SPITE OF HATE*

Maksym is a young man with a family. Some evenings he walks in a park in Kiev. He knows the dangers. Russian missiles often strike his city. He goes walking because he needs to escape the captivity of his tiny apartment. He worries about his wife and daughter. He could take them one morning to the railway station and together they could flee to Poland. But he stays and his wife will not even discuss leaving him for safety. He is a pastor and a Christian leader in Ukraine. He especially cares for a hundred young people who share his passion and ministry to bring CHRIST THE LORD OF LIFE AND HOPE to the suffering Ukrainian people. He often feels forsaken and sometimes anxiety spreads it's wings over him. But he holds on and waits for the morning. He is one of our heroes. This past December, The Carter Report and supporters sent him and his brave 100 young people gifts of money sufficient for new coats to ward off the perishing cold.

Your gifts at this time will help proclaim PEACE instead of war, LOVE instead of hate, and LIFE in the place of death. Please join us by sending your gift to:

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Abel was a boy growing up in Central America. In his country, gangs of angry men carried out warfare against the unjust government. The government responded by bloody warfare against the rebels. Both sides captured young boys and conscripted them into the army or the gangs where they were taught to kill and be killed. On that quiet morning the army captured Abel and a hundred other boys. But as he was thrown onto the back of a truck, a group of mothers confronted the army officers. "You cannot have our little pastor. We need him." What can soldiers do in the presence of a hundred mothers whose lives had been touched by the fervent prayers of their boy pastor? After a tense confrontation, Abel was released. Today he is a mighty Christian leader who lives to share the love of Christ. One of Pastor Abel Pacheco's duties is to care for hundreds of children. The Carter Report and our supporters help make this possible by sending thousands of dollars every month to minister to these precious boys and girls.

PREACHING CHRIST'S GOSPEL WITH A GUN POINTED AT HIS HEAD

Our man in a country too dangerous to mention was visiting a sick church member. He was in a gang controlled area, but he was heavily armed. When confronted by a powerful gang of drug lords, he held up his Bible. "We see you are heavily armed," said the gang leader, "We are outgunned here. You have the mighty Word of the Lord, and we will not interfere with your mission." This Carter Report team member went on his way and carried out his commission to boldly proclaim the Gospel of love, grace, and peace. Thank you for helping to make this possible.

DELIVERED FROM DEATH TO SHARE THE LOVE OF CHRIST

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THE GATE OF THE YEAR

Poem by: Minnie Louise Haskins (1875-1957)

"... I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And he replied:

'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.'"



This statement of faith was quoted by the stuttering king, George VI, as he addressed his people during the dark days of World War II. The Nazis were threatening the very survival of the British people who stood alone against the hellish assaults of Hitler and his hordes of darkness. He spoke these words of hope as they faced the new year clouded by death and uncertainty. King George was a Christian who knew their only hope was in God.

So it is today. The future is uncertain, storm clouds are gathering, night is coming on. BUT we boldly enter 2023, knowing that Christ our Lord will be with us. We see beyond the storm. We see the rainbow of promise. We hear the rustle of angel wings. We hear the trumpet sound. We feel the touch of Eternity.

A BLESSED NEW YEAR TO EACH AND ALL FROM THE CARTER REPORT TEAM!

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