

The Matthew Welch Family

Serving the Lord in BULGARIA and ROMANIA

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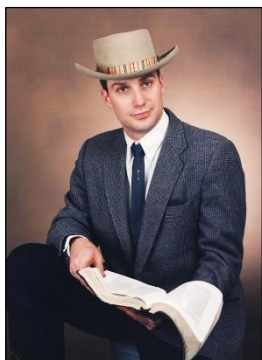
“Tomorrow is the new moon, and thou shall be missed because thy seat will be empty”. *1 Samuel 20:18*

Dear Pastors, Churches, and Fellow Saints,

Greetings from all the saints among us and the God of all comfort. *2 Corinthians 1:3*

I was saved in July of 1979; with that salvation came a desire to see my loved ones also be saved. The Bible says after Andrew received Jesus, “he first findeth his own brother Simon and sayeth unto him, We have found the Messiah, which is being interpreted the Christ, And he brought him to Jesus...” *John 1:41- 42* Isn't it wonderful when the ones you love come to the Lord Jesus Christ and receive him as their Lord and Savior? I highly recommend going to your family first and telling them, as the man in Mark 5, how great things the Lord had done for him and had compassion on him. *Mark 5:19*

My brother Kevin passed away in September; he knew his time of departure was at hand. I had the privilege of seeing Kevin getting saved and then being called by God to be a preacher of the gospel of Christ. Kevin was as




Paul was; he was not ashamed of the gospel of Christ. *Romans 1:16* He was also a pastor and held gospel services in prison for many years. Please pray for his wife, Barbara, and their four boys: Nathaniel, Daniel, Samuel, and Gabriel. Not long after Kevin went home to be with the Lord, my son-in-law Tyler Lyon also went home to be with the Lord. Tyler & I had some good Christian fellowship especially the last time we were together. We took a walk and talked about the Lord and how good God was. We never knew that would be the last time we would see each other in this world, but we knew we would see each other in the world to come.



Please pray for my daughter Sarah and their two children, Arabella and Luke. Kevin and Tyler's seats are empty now and already missed. But thank God for the Lord's promises in his word; one day soon, we will reunite with them; therefore, we comfort one another with God's words of hope. *1 Thessalonians 4:14-18*

As for the mission work in Bulgaria, we have also started a special revival meeting where we bring in as many villagers as possible and hold a special men's meeting once a month. We are also getting ready for our flour and oil distribution. We give each church family 110 pounds of flour and one gallon of cooking oil. We have been doing this for many years and have seen that God is faithful, and the church people are thankful. God continues to bless his work here.

All because of Calvary,



Matthew Welch and family



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