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"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." (Phil 4:13, KJV)

A FEW WEEKS AGO I BEGAN READING this verse in a different way. It goes like this: "Christ strengtheneth me through all the things I do." I believe strength comes before I begin anything. It comes in the person of Jesus Christ, when I begin to seek His will not "my things." The power comes during the active part of the process, but strength through encouragement and leading comes there first. We would otherwise never attempt to do the things we are doing. This new understanding makes a big difference in the way I live my life. When I do "His things," strength comes, but when I try to do "my things" I remain powerless. When we came to Romania we had a plan of our own and an agenda to accomplish. We prayed and believed that God was going to help us accomplish these goals, useful things for the Kingdom and the people of Eastern Europe.

As time went by we discovered that some of the things we planned for were not on God's agenda,



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VBS in Sabolciu

only on ours. As we lived here in Romania doing ministry, the will of God was revealed to us little by little. First, we had to obey and start moving in the direction we received the leading. After that, slowly the will of God began to unfold. It was in the process of doing ministry that the intelligibility came. I guess we are unable to understand or even accept the will of God unless we get ourselves in the process of obeying.

"I can do all things..." is easier said than done. As a missionary I have a difficult time every day choosing out of "all things" the things that God wants me to focus on that day. That's why prayer (when I talk to God) and meditation (where He speaks to me) is so important for the Christian. Prayer without meditation only reinforces what we think is right. Meditation eliminates the good and enables us to focus on the best, the perfect will of God for our lives and ministry.

If I disobey God, I need to use lots of my power to do "my things," and that is not the work of God. When by faith I begin the journey of obedience, Christ comes alongside and provides the power to accomplish His work. He only empowers the things He wants accomplished in us and through us.

"I desire fruit that may abound to your account." (Phil 4:17b)

The fruit in our ministry will abound only as we seek to undertake what God wants to bring about in this world. God entrusts us with resources sent by our faithful prayer partners and supporters, and we are responsible to invest these resources in such a way that your accounts will increase. Doing God's work is like an investment: we receive resources, time, gifts, and power, and we are called to bear fruit, fruit that will last into eternity. What a privilege and what an awesome responsibility that is.

On behalf of all the people that are serving God here through Pathway to Joy and on behalf of the orphans and the poor, I want to thank you for your faithfulness to His work here in Eastern Europe. May we bring forth lots of fruit for the Glory of God and His Kingdom.

Sincerely,

Cornel & Karen Boon



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Feeding the hungry

PRAYER & PRAISE

- PTJM financial support during the summer months
- House of Joy - Safe Place is in need of supporters and prayer partners to begin its operation
- For the upcoming 2011 Summer Orphan Camp ministry
- New opportunities to present Christ to the nations of Europe, especially Austria, Hungary, Italy and Moldova
- For Cornel as he is planning Bible conferences in Austria, Italy and Moldova
- The Gypsy ministry in Sabolciu and Tinca
- For the 25 foster children, their foster parents and our social workers
- For the PTJM workers serving at the Oradea Children's Hospital and the children abandoned there
- For the 80 children, part of our Orphan Mentoring at CP2
- Protection for our Romanian staff as we minister into dangerous communities

