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I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I will also hold you by the hand and watch over you, and I will appoint you as a covenant to the people, as a *light to the nations*... Isaiah 42:6

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He is Risen!

Matt 12:37

*For by your words you will be justified,
and by your words you will be condemned.*

Why am I writing about words again? After finishing the March newsletter (about words) I began hearing a noticeable increase in the frequency of people (especially those who should know better) letting damaging things come out of their mouths. In person, and on social media, born again believers are letting everyone know how tired they are, how depressed they are, what a bad day/week/month they are having.

"But it's just so hard! I'm only human – I make mistakes – everybody has bad days."

Some people think that's being humble, but it's being ignorant of the Word of God. How much does it help you to talk about how imperfect you are, and how you make mistakes, and how you have good days and bad?

This is not as difficult as you might think. The enemy will try to tell you it's impossible, but it's not. It can be as simple as changing one word and can be the difference between life and death.

"I get headaches all the time." That is a word of death, not life. It releases faith for death for the future. *"I'm always in the wrong place at the wrong time."* Is that what you want to have happen in your life? You're releasing faith for death, and making plans to get it!

"How do I talk about it then?" You can say, *"I have had headaches."* Now you're not prophesying death. You can talk about it, but you don't need to magnify it. It doesn't mean you can't talk about it, just watch how you say it. If you need to talk about it, just say, *I have had...* Even if it was two minutes ago, I had it, it *has* happened... you're not prophesying, and it's not going to hurt your future.

When you are attacked with something, it is critical what you let come out of your mouth. Only speaking life - only speaking victory - only speaking the right outcome. This is

where battles are won or lost. A good example of this is found in in Mark chapter 5:

22 And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet
23 and begged Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live."

24 So Jesus went with him, and a great multitude followed Him and thronged Him.

(It was at this point that His journey with Jairus was interrupted by a woman with an issue of blood, but for now let's focus on Jairus.)

35 While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"

36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, **"Do not be afraid; only believe."**

Imagine the emotions and thoughts going through Jairus right now. But Jesus was quick to remind Jairus that *"You came to me, and said "If you would come, she will live. Don't give up now!"* Only believe - only speak - **life**.

Think about this: What if a family member, your favorite person in the whole world is under attack from the enemy. They need you to be in faith. They may not be in a position where they can think clearly and believe right now. Somebody needs to be standing in faith and believing God. If you don't do it, who will?

When things get dark, and it looks bad, that's when we should be an anchor in the family. Everybody else might be in panic, but not you! We need to be a rock in times of trouble. Are we the light of the world?

We are the ones who speak life, speak healing, speak victory. We must not get in agreement with someone speaking about how bad things are.

How much does it matter what comes out of your mouth? It is a matter of life and death (Prov. 18:21).



Above left, we told you last month about how some of the church members in Szakcs, Hungary were starting to plan ahead for their future by planting gardens, or raising animals. These are the first two pigs Pastor Norbert Rózsa purchased to start his pig business. **Above center**: This is what we see on our computer screen every Wednesday when we teach on Skype for the mid-week service for the church in Szakcs, Hungary. **Above right**: The youth of the Szakcs church will soon be able to play foosball, as we are purchasing this table for them. Many of the area youth would be in church if there was a little more “excitement” after services. Word “seeds” are being planted. Any help you may like to give towards this (about \$250 US) will be very much appreciated.

As you may know, every Wednesday we teach the mid-week service for the church in Szakcs, Hungary on Skype. Besides the several locations that join us live, each session is recorded and sent as an E-mail attachment to 105 different people in several countries. Every week we get at least one response from someone who has been listening, telling us how much they appreciate the teaching, and how the Word is changing their lives. Just a few days ago we received an E-mail from a young man named Attila, who lives in Szekelyhid. We have known Attila since he was a little boy. He and his mother were at every church service.

Attila is studying to be an Emergency Medical Technician and is doing very well in school. So well in fact, that he has already been offered a position working with a local doctor, and learning more about the career he has chosen. The doctor is impressed with Attila and this is a great step forward for Attila. Attila made a point of letting us know that the teaching on faith he heard from us as he was growing up, has been a key to his success. He says that it is faith that helps him in school, faith that gives him favor on the job, and faith that helps him financially, as he has never

had to ask for money from anyone and always has enough for everything he needs to do.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support for Light to the Nations Ministries. We never take lightly your part in this ministry. We are constantly in awe of how God speaks to your heart concerning this ministry and you respond so generously both in finances and even more importantly, in prayer.

Love and blessings.

Dan & Marta Levin

He is Risen Indeed!

Throwback pictures

Below left: Here, Dan & Marta pose with students from the first year of the Székelyhid, Romania Light to the Nations school for Roma children. These are all kids who were not allowed in public school but still learned to read and write and have an opportunity for a better future. **Below center**: Here is Marta with this sweet Roma Lady in on the way to Sighisoara. **Below right**, Near Sighisoara, Romania, Marta (in front), takes a ride with Mary Belschner and Barb Mann from River Valley Christian Church in Lake Elmo, MN. The very next trip this wagon took, a wheel fell off! By the way, the boards they are sitting on are not attached to anything - just laid across the top of the wagon.

