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**INTERLINK** MINISTRIES, INC.



Christen begegnen Muslimen

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Dear friends,

When we made the move to Switzerland, it was agreed that it was most likely a temporary assignment and that in time it would be reevaluated. BBI's board and leadership made an evaluation and it was agreed that we cease our career missionary work with Bible Basics International at the end of October 2011. I will be continuing on with BBI as a volunteer working on the Radio HRGS website to continue development of the site and take care of ongoing maintenance.

At the beginning of November 2011 I started work with a mission here in Switzerland called Christians meeting Muslims (CM) ([cmnet.org](http://cmnet.org) website is in German). My work and all that I have learned working on the Radio HRGS website will continue to be used for the Lord's glory. I have started working on the CM website but as time goes on I may be assigned to other tasks.

Some more about Christians meeting Muslims:

- CM is a network of professionals of various organizations and committed laity
- CM motivates, advises, educates and networks with Christians on how to meet with Muslims in Europe
- CM promotes the formation of local groups who seek to meet with Muslims
- CM's "Vision 2025" is to establish

groups in the top 100 cities in Switzerland with the most Muslims by 2025.

I am excited to be a part of this very important work that is equipping Christians and the church in Switzerland to reach Muslims.

We are happy to announce that we have been accepted by Interlink Ministries, Inc. of Apple Creek, OH. Interlink is a service mission. They do not have any mission stations of their own, but instead they facilitate the work of missionaries and other ministries. You can read more about Interlink on their website [interlinkministries.org](http://interlinkministries.org).

In July 2011 I (Frederick) started to have some pain on the outside of my left thigh. I went to the doctor for this several times and he gave me medicine for the pain and swelling. This did not help so he sent me to a physical therapist that also does dry needling as he saw that I had many muscles that were very tense. I had seven appointments with him but saw no improvement. I went back to my doctor who recommended that I go for an MRI. The MRI was scheduled for Wednesday November 30, 2011 in the afternoon.

On the morning of November 30 I was out running some errands by bus and train. As I stood up to get ready for the bus that was coming I experienced a lot of pain in my left leg and could no longer stand on it. I would later learn that at this point I had broken my hip joint through the femoral neck.

Please note: Donations for the Hendersons' work should be sent to **Interlink Ministries, Inc., PO Box 460, Apple Creek, OH 44606**. Please mark the memo line of your check **Frederick & Marlies Henderson**. If you would like to receive updates periodically via email, visit <http://henderson-meier.org/cgi-bin/dada/mail.cgi> to subscribe to our list or send us an email.

Marlies picked me up and got me to the emergency room at the hospital where I was to have the MRI. Later the MRI revealed a tumor surrounding the left hip joint. I was transferred to another hospital that handles patients with tumors.

After a biopsy and waiting a few days I received word that the tumor that I had was a giant cell tumor. It was not cancerous as most of this type are not. It eats bone using a mutation of normal cells that eats bones in the body. Normally these bone eating cells give the material to cells that are re-building the bones.

The damage to my hip joint was so much that it could not be repaired with bone graft. I needed a hip joint replacement. On December 9, 2011 I had surgery to remove the tumor and part of my hip bone. The replacement hip joint was then put into place.

As I write this it is now 3 months after the surgery. I just had the first of my quarterly checkups. Everything looks good to the doctors. I continue to go to my physical therapist each week. I am not quite 100% yet but am able to get around on my own two feet very well.

#### Prayer Requests

- On April 21, 2012 CM will be having a "Vision Day" to share Vision 2025. Pray that many would come and make the vision to reach Muslims in Switzerland their very own.
- Please continue to pray for a complete recovery for Frederick's health.
- We are planning a furlough to the US this year. Please pray for us as we organize this.
- We have a need for \$500 more support per month and also funds to cover our upcoming furlough expenses.

We have a newly constructed website at [henderson-meier.org](http://henderson-meier.org). There you can learn more about our missions and how you can send in support.

I would like to encourage you to sign up for our email updates. If you have not received an email update from us recently, please send me an email or visit our website to sign up. The address to do so is in the footer on the first page of this letter.

I trust that this finds you all well. Do let us know how you are doing. The kids are growing as my grandma says "like bad weeds" (she means, too fast). I will leave you with a picture, so you can see how big Oliver (14) and Alice (12) are.



*Marlies, Frederick, Alice and Oliver in front of the Matterhorn*

Your missionaries reaching Muslims for Christ,

Frederick and Marlies Henderson  
with Oliver and Alice