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Christen begegnen Muslimen

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Dear friends,

How does a Muslim raised woman tell her mother that she has become a Christian, without causing a heart attack or forever ruining the relationship? A disciple of one of Meos local missionaries had been trying to find a solution to this problem for some time. All her sisters already knew it, but she could not bring herself to the point where she could tell this difficult to-tell news to her Muslim mother.

After much prayer she had an idea. "Do you remember," she asked, "how rebellious I used to be and how many problems I always made for you and father?"

"Thank God! That was in the past and is now history," answered the mother.

"Precisely, and today I tell you why I have changed so much," explained the daughter.

"God be praised," answered the mother, "you once again have respect for us".

"Yes", said the young woman, "A book, that I read, has changed me.

"I know," said the mother to the surprise of the daughter, "You have become a Christian."

"You know this?"

"Sure, it shows!"

"But mother are you not angry?"

"No, it is better so. I am glad that you have not become

godless in Europe. But please, don't tell Papa! "

This is a true story that one of Meos' missionaries here in Switzerland reported back from her work. Praise God for His power to change lives so that those around them "know" that they have become Christians.

Christians meeting Muslims (CM) is now an official part of Meos. As you can see from the testimony above, the work of the two ministries meshes well together. Both ministries celebrated anniversaries this year; CM 10 years and Meos 50 years of ministry.

On October 26, Meos and CM had an inter-cultural day of celebration. Many people came to see, hear and rejoice at what God is doing through the ministry of Meos. Ministries and Meos missionaries had booths highlighting their inter-cultural ministries. There were workshops, times of praise and worship, inter-cultural food, something for everyone to do and see.

One of Meos' current projects is the Dreamland Switzerland DVD project. This consist of a 30 minute video about five Swiss immigrants. They talk about how it was to immigrate to Switzerland, what was difficult what was easy. The video also talks about Switzerland's Christian heritage and invites them to learn more about Jesus by watching the Jesus film. The main video and sound track have been finished. Funding is needed to record and produce five more sound tracks and add subtitles for other languages as well. More information in German and English about the Dreamland Switzerland Film project can be found on the



Alice and Oliver

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website, that I (Frederick) worked on, traumlandschweiz.ch.

Oliver and Alice are in their second and first years of high-school. Apprenticeships are an important part of the Swiss education system. Around 70% of the Swiss learn their first profession in this way. Some go on to study further to enhance or specialize in an area of their profession. Oliver and Alice are now looking at the possibilities. Please pray for both that God would give them direction for the future in His plan for their lives. Pray for us as parents that we will be able to have a positive input in this process as we endeavor to guide them.

In addition to the CM and Meos websites I was asked to administer the AGiK website agik.ch. In German AGiK means **Arbeitsgruppe interkulturell**. AGiK is a network of people who are working with people of other cultures in Switzerland.

Currently I am working to move the current websites to new hosting. This will allow maintenance and development tasks to be done more efficiently. Please pray for this work that it will go well without much downtime. If you have ever moved house you know that things do not always end up in the same place when you move. The configuration is sometimes different.



What does the future hold? Meos Medien the media shop of Meos; that has Bibles, Bible portions, tracts, evangelistic books, CDs, DVDs, etc. available in over 100 languages; is needing a new web-shop. The current web-shop was created when Alice was still in diapers.

Last Friday I got an emergency phone call, that we had been informed that the version of the programming language (PHP 5.2) that was being used on the web shop would no longer be available for use by our web hosting provider. Could I please update the web shop code so that it would work with the next version (PHP 5.3)? 12

hours of on-line research, code patching, testing, and documentation seems to have done the trick. I say seems, as I just finished it on Monday and it is still possible that we may still have an issue to deal with that has not been found in testing.

Please pray for the planing for the new webshop. My dream for the new shop is that it would be a resource where people could easily and quickly find resources to help them reach their neighbors for Christ. It is also my desire that the shop would help to streamline the Meos Medien operations as well.

Christmas time is once again upon us. What makes the Christmas season, what it is for you? Snow? Parties? Lights? Decorations? Family gatherings? Cookies? Candies? All those things are fun and not wrong in and of themselves, but it is always good to remember the real reason for the Christmas season. God loves us enough to make a way for us to come live in heaven with Him, when we had no way to do it ourselves. He sent His son to a foreign culture to take His message of love to them. But His son was

rejected and killed. Jesus is not the first cross cultural missionary in the Bible, but he is the most important.

This Christmas make a special effort to reach out to your "neighbor" of a different cultural background and to share that message of

love and hope.

We want to wish you and yours a Christ centered Christmas and a Blessed New Year in 2014!

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with Oliver and Alice