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## INTERLINK, MINISTRIES,





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Dear friends,

## The story continues . . .

Frederick's missionary story started back when he was a boy listening to Christian radio. While listening to a radio program "Tips for Teens" he gave his live to Christ.

In high-school he worked with Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) teaching 5day clubs. After high-school he worked as a field worker with CEF.

In 1992 he started Bible school at Word of Life Bible Institute (WOLBI) in Pottersville, NY. It was there at a missions conference that he was called to be a missionary.

1993 found him still at WOLBI for the 2<sup>nd</sup>

year program, the School of Youth, Missions, and Evangelism. A requirement of the school year was a summer internship. God directed and provided that Frederick could do this internship as a summer missionary for three months with Trans World Radio (TWR) on the island of Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles.

This internship was a small glimpse of what God was doing in his life. He saw how everything he had learned was now being used for God.

1994 found Frederick as the Technical Intern at WOLBI. In 1995 Frederick worked on raising support before heading back to Bonaire as a short term missionary on July 25 to fill in for furloughing missionaries.



Frederick after working with a hammer drill on Bonaire



Wedding day on the steam train

Back on Bonaire Frederick learned transmitter and studio maintenance. It was while doing latter that Marlies and the Frederick met. A friendship ensued. After getting approval from both of their mission boards, they were engaged on Marlies birthday, February 22, 1996. They were married later that vear in Bäretswil. Switzerland on September 7.

Back on Bonaire Marlies continued to work in the production department. Frederick was asked to work in the auditioning / tape traffic department. This involved listening and editing programs in preparation for airing. It also involved the administrative task of making sure that programs arrived and were scheduled to air in the proper time slots.

In early 1998 the family constellation when changed Oliver was born at home on January 7th. It was also the year that the Henderson family went on deputation to raise the needed support for career service with TWR. Oliver was in 14 countries before his 1 st birthday that year.

Alice's arrival on Oliver's birthday in 2000 was just the beginning of a year of change. More on that in the next prayer letter.

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 <u>http://henderson-meier.org/cgi-bin/dada/mail.cgi</u> to subscribe to our list or send us an <u>email</u>. If you would like to contact us by mail, please send mail directly to our Switzerland address above. Interlink Ministries does not forward mail.



Marlies (and Oliver) putting programs on the air

## **US Furlough**

I will be flying to the US later this week, Lord willing. My brother is a pilot and has allowed me to enroll in a program were I can fly standby inexpensively, however this means that I need to be flexible in my travel plans. Pray that I will be able to get were I am going in timely manner, also for traveling mercies and for Marlies and the kids at home. In

addition to the flights to and from the USA, I will also be flying to Florida and Texas. I have a road trip to eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and upstate New York. I also am planning a trip to Ohio on which I will visit our US mission Interlink Ministries Inc. I have speaking engagements in churches and also am the missionary speaker for a youth camp.

I have contacted almost everyone that I will be seeing at this point and lined up

have most speaking engagements lined up.

Over our time in Switzerland we have seen our support level slowly decline. Over the past year we have had a handful of faithful supporters inform us that either they will not be able to support us any more, need to lower support or find themselves in situations where their finances are uncertain so they will be supporting in a best effort way.

As some of you know, Marlies is working part time as a cook at a home for the elderly here in Bäretswil. Even with this we have lowered our monthly salary from our Swiss mission so we will not have a large deficit at years end.



Frederick editing sound with a razor blade

If any of you have been thinking of joining our team of financial supporters I would be happy to meet with you while I am in the US to share more

about our mission's work here in Switzerland.

May God richly bless you!

Frederick and Marlies Henderson with Oliver and Alice



First family picture on Bonaire in our backyard (Note the banana plants in the background)