

Meet our 2014 Retreat Missionaries Janos and Melinda Herkely They will be sharing at the 2014 Hauge Foreign Mission family retreat August 29 - Sept 1 at the ARC in Osceola WI Register now online at <u>www.haugemissions.org</u>

I'm János Herkely, I was born in a small town in North Hungary, Lucfalva. I am really grateful for the spirit of revivalism which was in our town in my childhood. It has affected my family (my parents and grandparents) also, I saw the work of the Holy Spirit of God. Because of that revivalism I grew up in a Christian atmosphere. That is why I had a lot of spiritual and communal experiences, and I got to start to know the Bible also. When I was 11-12 years old I started to be interested in a personal connection with God. At this time I was thinking a lot how people



can be good christians and how could I be one. I was trying to act like the people around me. I thought I'm a good kid, but I knew, it was not real, I can not stand in front of God that guilty way I am. When I was 13, I went to a Youth Camp, where we've learned the Bible story of Saul. I recognized that I'm was in a very similar situation as Saul was in the Bible, and it is not pleasing to God when we are trying to serve him in our human way, with our ideas. I prayed to God: My Lord You tell me, what do you want me to do. I put off all of my false ways and all of my sins, and I asked Jesus's forgiveness and salvation. I started a new life, within I

was trying to find God's will. During my studies I felt His guidance, and I became a mechanical engineer and a Technological teacher. God helped me to find my wife and the right workplace. I was married to Melinda when I was at the University, so when I graduated I was a father of two children. I'd worked six months when our third baby was born. We were happy for them, although we haven't had good living conditions. But we knew that children are gifts from the Lord and that made us happy. I was working as a teacher for a year, when I had a call from the EKE. It was not an easy decision as a human, but the guidance of God was clear, so I accepted the job. At the beginning the most important work was to start the Bible school and organize it. Now there is an order to how the Bible school works and we have service branches also. I have worked in the EKE children camps, adult bible weeks and in the family weekends for the married couples. I have been the secretary of EKE for 17 years, and I have never regretted that I listened to the word and guidance of God. During these years we had 2 more children, so we really experienced God's loving kindness as a family with 5 children.

I'm Melinda. Like János, I also grew up in Lucfalva, in a Christian family where it was a matter of course that i go to church, to the children's group or later to the youth group. Every summer we went to a youth camp with the youth from our church where many young people gave their lives to the Lord. I saw them crashing under the weight of their sins and also how their life changed. I was envious because I knew that I was guilty, but I couldn't say yes to the call of the Lord. I read the Bible and i had a constant prayer life with Him. 1993's Christmas was coming and I did ask Lord Jesus to born in my heart but it didn't happen. At the New Years Eve gathering i got this Bible verse: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28 I kept this verse in my heart and two months later, at a youth group while we were studying God's word and we talked about it i heard the calling of the Lord and I received Him into my heart. That moment I could experience that joy and peace which I was longing for such a long time. After I finished my studies, I started to work in a hospital in the children's section. 4 years later when i finished another school and my bosses had further plans with me I got a different call from the Lord. I heard that the Evangelistic Rest Home in Budapest was searching for employers to work with disabled children. I've always

admired those who undertake this ministry and I felt unsuited myself for a job like this. But the Lord thought differently. I kept thinking about it so often it kept me on the rock because i did resist. I had a good job, ministry in my church - for years I did the children's ministry, I was a member of the youth group and also the member of the adult chorus, and I felt really good in my village and in my family too. I prayed every day with my brothers and sisters in Christ and I was waiting for the Lord's guidance. In the first days of the month, before I should tell my bosses about this I read the Bible according to the Daily Bible verses and the Lord said: "But as for you, be strong and do not give up, for your work will be rewarded." 2 Chronicles 15:7 , because you know that the Lord will reward each one for whatever good they do, whether they are slave or free." Ephesians 6:8 The Lord made the circumstances so clear that I had to go. They said there that they were praying for 4 years to find a christian, trained co-worker. I have so many blessings at my new workplace and the love of the disabled children put me to shame many times. I was fully in the Lord's service, did my job, but I kept praying for a partner from the Lord. During this time the Lord did His work in János's heart and unexpectedly he proposed to me. After the Lord called him to the ministry of EKE, He showed me how He wanted to use me besides raising up our children. The kids ministry and the singing was always a joy for me. In the scholarship He also sent me to kids ministry to organize and work out the summer children's camp's program, prepare everything, and be in a leadership at a few camps. To do this needs a full knowledge of the Bible, so at the Theology school I studied Sociology and Missiology and also i did the master degree of Mental Health. Now I am working again with disabled and elderly people as a matron and I experience the strength of the Lord every day and I receive a lot of blessings from these people. In our church I also work in the kids ministry. We need the Lord's wisdom and strength to raise up our children but I know that we are not alone and if we carry them in our prayer and we live our faith between them, than the Lord blesses our whole family. Therefore I am hold on to this verses, which i got before i got saved: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who[a] have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28 and the other one we got with my husband on the very first evening of our life: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Philippians 4:6





Zolzaya is on the right and to the left is Munauu another christian who works with NLM

My Faith Story by Zolzaya

My name is Zolzaya and I am 40 years old. I heard about Jesus and how God created the earth for the first time in 1990 from my younger sister. It was something different and the most interesting story that I had ever heard. But I did not know in the beginning what faith and the Christian life really were.

In Mongolia, there were not any churches or bibles before 1990 when the first missionaries came to spread the Gospel and to teach English.

After six years I accepted Jesus as my Saviour and was baptized. Just before the baptism, I felt that I was entering into the light. Before it seemed that my life was dark and without hope and light. I think that the prayer of missionaries, their support, and true love for Mongolian people influenced my faith in Christ a lot. I have seen the difference in people's lives; from bad to good, foolish to wise, and dark to bright. Faith in Christ changes lives.

Because God opened my eyes, I had made a good decision in my life to believe in God and let Him lead me. What the psalmist says in Psalm 18:30 and 19:7-8 are my encouragement as I follow Him. As I grow in my faith I

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have learned that through difficulties, I become stronger and put my trust in God.

My parents have 5 children. We moved from Arkhangai to Darkhan in 1994. At that time my parents had no job, no house, no income and no money to pay the school so that two of my siblings and I could go to school. God made Himself known to us in this situation as one day we received help from missionaries for tuition.

My father was an angry and very strict man. He was an alcoholic when I was young. He worked in the army and lived a very hard life. I prayed often for my parent's salvation. One day I invited my father to the church. He did not say anything that day and was quiet. After some years he became sick and he needed a brain operation. I was afraid that he might die but I prayed to God for his healing. The operation was successful and I believe he was healed by God.

After the operation he stopped drinking alcohol and changed his life. My family finally felt peace at home. Through this experience I learned that God can change anyone. We just have to put our trust in God and share the message of salvation and that blessings only come from God.

In Proverbs 11:25 "A generous person will prosper, whoever refreshes others will be refreshed". God wants to bless everyone and wishes people would believe in Him.

Just after my graduation from a university in 2001, I started working for the NLM office in Darkhan. I have learned so much while working with NLM by gaining experience working with Christian brothers and sisters for the development of our country.

I thank God for giving us His son Jesus.

Zolzaya

EDITORS NOTE: Missionary David Olson with NLM in Mongolia plans to be with us on Saturday at the HFM Family Retreat August 30th at the ARC in Osceola, WI. Register online at: <u>www.haugemissions.org</u>

News From Hungary

EDITORS NOTE: The following testimones are from the



recent EKE Revival Conference in Sátoraljaújhely, Hungary.

Matt 6:33 "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

The central message of the whole event was this: Seek first the kingdom of God and all other things will be added to you (Matt 6:33). Some of the questions that arose: "Is it a correct opinion that man is essentially good?" "Can



someone be born into salvation?" The Book of Genesis tells us that God created the heaven and the earth, separated light from darkness, the sea from the land... and found that everything He had created was very good (Gen 1:31); finally, He placed man into this world.

However, reading further just a few pages, we find, "the wickedness of man was great on the earth... The Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart." (Gen 6:5-6) If man were good, children of pastors could be born into salvation; however, this is not so. It



was probably this that inspired the pun, "children of pastors—children of bastards." Another saying goes, "a leopard cannot change his spots." That is true, but can a worm become a butterfly?

Yes, it can! Can a sinful human being become holy? Yes, if they accept the cross of the Lord Jesus.

However, people must be awakened so that this change can occur. For us, who were present at the Revival Conference, do we take the ministry of awakening serious? Does our testimony shout into the world just like the crowing of a cock shouts into the silence at dawn? Cocks, unlike Christian

people, take their duty serious. *"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." Mark* 16:15

The function of believers is to give light and taste (like salt) to the world – Matt 5:13-14. Do we



really do all that? Do we give light? Do we give taste to the lives of people around us? Do we spread the fragrance of Christ? (2 Cor 2:15)

A poem by Reformed Pastor József Siklós was quoted. Its title is "Unkempt lines to some colleagues." One question the poem asks, "Without the passion of saving souls, Why moon in this strange profession, my fellow?"

Do we have the spirit of mission, the passion of saving souls inside?

Naturally, at this conference, lasting from Sunday to Wednesday, many other themes were addressed in the sermons, lectures, group and forum talks. I cannot write about all of them due to size limits. However, the above thoughts may help those who were not present to form a picture of the event.

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The LORD spoke to us

On Sunday afternoon, we arrived in Sátoraljaújhely—on the mount, to meet our brothers and sisters, the Word of God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. The "tents" have already been pitched. (The word "sátor", found in the name of the town, means "tent.") Wake up, o sleeper! After having supper, the program started with a testimony shared by Tamás Kiss, and with singing many beautiful songs. Some sisters were serving among the children through the whole time of the conference so that their parents can be free to hear the Word of God, with

open ears and with open hearts. "It is good for us to here," – Pastor István Ittzés said, starting his evening devotion. "God calls us with His Word, and we



must respond. Those who seek will find. Seek!" Matt 6:33. "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." Not long before that, the Lord tells us not to be worried. The Gentiles (the nonbelievers) do that, for they have no Father in Heaven—but believers have. The essential message of the Gospel is that those who do not know can learn they have. For this reason, seek the kingdom of God! God seeks me and you. He speaks to me and to you. People seek what is important to them. The Lord speaks to them and calls them, but they have no time for Him. It is terrible. "They will never taste of my dinner," the Lord says. He speaks twice or three times... and what next? All of us were like that, but then we began to seek God. The Lord often says, "they could have found me, but they did not seek me." To seek God means to get to the knowledge of God. We must seek the kingdom of God here and now. Seek not yourself—seek God. Wherever your treasure is, there will be your heart. Is He my treasure? The most precious of all I have? "Lift me up, higher and higher," was the main song of the conference.

On Monday, when morning came, we woke up in body—so let us wake up in spirit, too. God nourished our bodies with tasteful foods in the morning, at noon and in the evening. He gave us the extras in advance, for He cares about us.

Where are you going? John 14:6 says, "I am the way, the truth and the life." Christ can be your way. In his morning devotion,



Péter Kéroly Malik said we had come from many different places, and that it was not so evident that we had been able to come here—it was the Lord who kept us. He called us and we came—we obeyed his call. We have come to crossroads. We can decide whether we continue our way with or without Jesus. Where am I going? Where am I to spend eternity? It is



important to proceed with the Lord. Jesus is the only way. If there were another way, why would have Jesus given His life? The cross of Christ is the only solution to sin. We first have to turn ourselves to the right path, only then can we make others turn.

After the morning devotion, we could choose one of the group programs—lectures with discussions. After lunch, we had a few hours to relax—to talk, to think of the things we heard, and to pray. We were shown and could buy various evangelical publications. The program on Monday afternoon was very interesting and precious. Pastor Mihály Györfi introduced a forum discussion on the issue whether man is good. Is man really good? Do we need to repent? Do we need to be born again? Can we be sure of our own salvation? The call of God and the profession of man. Last but not least: the devil. Issues of common interest with straight forward answers. In the evening, after a testimony Máté Kiss shared with us, in a devotion led by István Ittzés, we were shown the right solution to seeking God's kingdom and righteousness. The kingdom of God is in your midst. God created us for Himself, to be sovereign personalities. But man replaced God with Satan. It is terrible to sell my faith for something else. Those who are under the power of Satan are dead and condemned. But God

seeks man. He seeks worshipers. He calls man to obey Him. He waits for lost sons and calls them home from far away where they feed pigs. You must start—the rest will be arranged by God.



You must enter the house of the Father, give direction over your life to Him, and you will get the best robe. Seek first the kingdom and righteousness of God, so that He can be your all.

It is Tuesday. A new day is dawning. New day—new grace. Do we grab the hand reached towards you? Will this day be lighter than other days? "Christ can be your truth." Following a scene the youth performed, János Blatniczky, in his devotion, spoke of Truth (John 14:6). "Christ can be your truth," he said. Is the thing you have given your life to the right thing? God can speak to us in a harsh manner as well, but He gave me another chance by leading me here. The world cannot give us truth; only Jesus can. Let us not search for our own truth. Those who go "sightseeing" to the world will become sightless. The love of Christ constrains us (2 Cor 5:14, KJV). It does not matter if it hurts, it only matters that you can find the way home. Let us help others to be saved.

We had a wide choice of thematic lectures and talks every day. We could choose one of five themes, whatever one was most interested in. Although we would have loved to sit for all of them, we had to choose. After these programs, we had lunch, then again a short time to relax and to exchange our thoughts and our experiences with our brothers and sisters who had

chosen other themes. In the afternoon, we had a forum discussion on children and the dangers they can meet in the world. After supper and the testimony of the Gypsy Mission Team of Görögszállás, István Ittzés spoke to us in his devotion about the "extras" that are added to us when we seek God's kingdom. God knows we live in this world, but His kingdom is in our midst. God, in His unique care, provides us all we need. He created the world for us to be able to live in it. He even cares for evil people. Are we thankful to Him for all of that? Are we thankful for the extras? Or do we regard them as something He owes to us? Maybe we set up our own demands to the Lord: "if He does this or that..."? This is cheeky behavior. Let us trust and believe our dear Lord. The rich young man tried to be saved through his own righteousness. But the only Truth is also our only righteousness, which money cannot buy. It is the righteousness Christ won to us on Calvary. "Sell all that you possess," the Lord says to him, "and follow me." He asks him to be His disciple, but he leaves. What about you? You also leave? Sell what you possess, be free from your idol, and you will have a treasure in heaven. The Lord said you would get a thousand times that much. Believers have an open door before them. The Lord answers our prayers. Christ gives us the gift of eternal life.

Wednesday morning. We got up, lifting up our souls to the Lord. After breakfast, we talked of having to go home. The conference were soon to be over. We must come down from the mountain in the end (Luke 9:37). András Bozorády held the morning devotion. He said, "Christ can be your life." Do you have life? "I have set before you life and death. So choose life." Let us care that our relationship with God shall not weaken, so that death could not work in us. After the group discussion and lunch, we came together once again for a closing event—just before coming down from the mountain. We started back into the world, filled with Spirit and the passion of saving souls, to share our testimonies about all we had experienced, all we had lived, all we had been assured of. On arrival, each one of us had received a Bible verse card. My Bible verse was Proverbs 10:2, "Ill-gotten gains do not profit, but righteousness delivers from death." I understood that anything the world offers and I accept separates me from God, which is sin. The wages of sin is death. Nothing can forgive for that, except the Truth, Jesus Christ Himself, for He is life. He saves you from death. I also realized how perfectly the Holy Spirit of God built these lectures, programs and



discussions on each other. All who did any ministry were obedient, and the same Spirit worked in all of them, so the will of Christ was done, and we could be parts of this miracle beyond words, up on the mountain. Thanks to our Heavenly Father

for all this! Let us say with true faith, "A mighty fortress is our God!" - Jánosné Bán

Luke 6:46 "Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?"

I received a Bible verse card at the Revival Conference, with the verse in Luke 6:46, "Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?"

This Bible verse moved me very much. It caused me feel bad, for it was a personal message to me. It is about disobedience.

One of the evening devotions, when Pastor István Ittzés spoke of giving the direction of our life, and we faced the question, "Who is the Lord of your life?", was also very personal to me. Right then, during the sermon, I decided to ask the pastor for a counseling conversation just after the devotion. But my next thought was that I'd rather do it the next day, let it "mature" in me—maybe I would be reminded of more things to tell. But then I realized I could not wait, because I had just heard the Word of God, and I could not tell what the next day may bring. And on the next day, Pastor István Ittzés had to hurry away, so I would not have been able to talk to him if I had waited more.

Finally, I decided to talk to him, I worried a bit. I prayed to the Lord to encourage me.

Recently, my life had been such that though I had seen and known the will of the Lord, I could not make the steps I had to, or let Him work. My life was in disobedience and rebellion against the Lord.

So when the sermon ended, I went to the pastor, asked him for a talk, and it took place immediately. It was a long talk, and in the end, we brought to the Lord all the sins I saw in me. I asked Him to forgive me, and to be again the Lord of my life.

When I went home, I remembered something I had failed to do before. When I got to salvation in 2003, I did not ask my parents to forgive me for all I had done against them—all that had caused them grieve, all that had hurt them, all that had caused them pain and sorrow. When I saw this, I stood before my father, then before my mother, and asked them to forgive me.

"Honor your father and your mother." I think that this commandment, honor to one's parents, also means not to cause them hurt or pain. If I do that, however, then it must please the Lord to ask them to forgive. Today, when I am writing this testimony, is July 5. I can testify that the Lord has kept me safe so far in all I had understood.

Thanks be to Him for that! - Tamás Fintor

<u>"O, I wish I had a thousand tongues Coming up to those of angels..."</u>

I would like to share the miracle I was part of at the Revival Conference in Sátoraljaújhely. Even the fact that I got there was a miracle. I believe that it was the Lord who prepared this opportunity to me, and in spite of all difficulties and obstacles, He "arranged" that I could arrive there.

On registration, I received the Bible verse Matt 6:25, "For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, as to what you will eat or what you will drink; nor for your body, as to what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?" At first I did not understand what God means to tell me by that. Then He showed me the keyword "worried", making it clear to me that it was too much part of my life. All I had to do was remember what was always on my mind, whether my family at home will be all right without me, may something happen to them when I am not with them—since I had never been away for so long. Then I looked at my Bible verse and I had peace. I believed that once I can be here, God can arrange everything at home as well.

"O, I wish I had a thousand tongues Coming up to those of angels..." – that I could put into words the gift I received in these couple of days! Before, I had never had an opportunity to come together with so many brothers and sisters and concentrate only on the Word of God, the truth. I suppose a retreat, lasting for a whole week, may be similar. It was very good to get to know new brothers and sisters and to get closer to those I had known before. The prayer group was a new thing to me. It can bring us so close to each other, and we can have the strong feeling of having a common Lord, Who is present.

The devotions and the sermons raised thoughts and questions in me. The question of recognizing "suitable" seemed to be a bit in a whirl, but it was finally clear and I understood I always had to look at the Lord Jesus with open heart and with full attention, and He will show me at the very moment what He wants me to do.

It was also important to me that God gave me courage, for I had often been too shy to make a testimony of the truth, the grace of the Lord Jesus, afraid of what others would think of me. I know it is a shame on me, but I hope now I would always be able to obey.

Another miracle I cannot express with words is what we as a "choir" experienced. As we praised God, the songs sounded wonderful. Evan the fantastic piano accompaniment alone made my heart tremble. Music and melodies are dear gifts from God, and I am thankful for my sound hearing, that I can hear the melodies.

I feel I was awakened at this Revival Conference. My heart was filled with the Lord Jesus, which I had never felt before (and so my eyes were often filled—with tears). I feel I got incredible power, courage and strong faith from the Lord Jesus. I wish it never faded; that I never eased down; that I could always be an obedient child of God, spreading His fragrance on others; that He could use me the way He pleased; that I never feared to testify of Him; that I could be a wife to my husband and a mother to my children hat He wants to give them; that I did not fall under the burden of trials; that I could entrust everything to Him; and that I could always resist the attacks of evil. These desires filled my heart, and I am grateful because though I am weak, the Lord Jesus is above all, and nothing is impossible to Him. May He be blessed for this.

- Mesi Farkas

EDITORS NOTE: More pictures from the EKE Revival Conference in Sátoraljaújhely, Hungary.



News from The Halversons

The last week of June I was kept fairly busy with flights to Port Moresby, the capital, as many of our colleagues leave on furlough or for the last time. But these flights had a slightly extra twist as each morning before I would leave someone in the aviation department would get a report from a colleague in Port Moresby to confirm that everything was calm.

The reason for the concern was that there had been calls by some people for the Prime Minister to resign over charges of corruption. A warrant was issued for the Prime Minister's arrest. There was also an organized protest against the Prime Minister that took place.

Thankfully, everything remained calm throughout the week. The Prime Minister was not arrested and the protests were conducted in an orderly fashion.

I have no idea what the outcome will be, or who is in the right. But these events did remind me that the privilege Lisa and I have to minister here in Papua New Guinea is something God holds in His hands, and He has the right to remove that privilege at any time if He chooses to do that. The work of Bible translation is His work, and He can accomplish it in the way He chooses, in the time frame that He chooses. But for now, we will seek to continue to facilitate Bible translation here in Papua New Guinea by providing safe and reliable aviation transportation to the people here in Papua New Guinea who need that service to accomplish the work of Bible translation.

Please pray "for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." 1 Tim. 2:2-4 (ESV)

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