

February 2019 USA, UK, Canada, Australia, Montenegro, NEV Bible commentary

The *Bible Companion* readings for this Sunday include Romans 13,14 and there is an MP3 file about this at <http://www.christadelphia.net/audio/rom1314.mp3>

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Download the *NEV Bible* with commentary and *Bible Companion* bookmarks at <http://n-e-v.info/NEVBIBLE.pdf>

Helps for the *Bible Companion* readings this week:

Genesis <http://n-e-v.info/NEVGenesisCommentary.pdf>

Psalms <http://n-e-v.info/psalms.pdf>

Mark <http://n-e-v.info/NEVMarkCommentary.pdf>

MONTENEGRO

It was over 20 years ago that in one of our early *Carelink* messages we reported the baptisms of two sisters in the flesh in **Russia**, Lilia and Anna. They really loved the Truth and were so grateful to come to know the Lord. Lilia gave birth to a baby at the time and named it Duncan, and somewhere there's a photo of a more youthful Cindy and Duncan holding that baby Duncan in a run down apartment in central Russia.

The family emigrated to Montenegro, a small republic in the former Yugoslavia, where Lilia works as a plasterer and Duncan has been trained up by her and is also a plasterer along with her. Montenegro is a favourite destination for Russians as they don't need visas to enter. We gave them a lot of support about 18 years ago and they are so appreciative of it to this day, and Duncan although a baby had been told about it over the years since as he grew up.

It's wonderful when people are truly appreciative and remember your support all these years later. Duncan contacted Duncan H on Facebook a few years ago and since then has read Bible Basics and is a daily reader of the *NEV Bible* with commentary. Now he's 18, he expressed a strong desire to be baptized, and so we went to baptize him. Truly the Truth takes a powerful hold upon families whose hearts are for the Lord. It was a time of joyful reconnection for us all after all these years.

They live in a resort area, which is now totally dead in the Winter, in a summer rental property half way up a mountain overlooking the sea, nearly up to the snow line, with absolutely no heating. But they are so happy in the Lord, although life's very hard for them there and they are on a watch list back in Russia for religious activism. So returning to Russia isn't much of an option.

They can work in Montenegro but will not get citizenship nor any social welfare, health care, pension etc. We spent a few hours chatting with such joy, catching up on all the years, and by then it was dark and pouring with freezing rain. They have no bath tub so we went to the sea and did the baptism there, in very cold water only just above freezing. This was just such a wonderful, happy time. Truly there is joy and peace in true, Biblical Christianity- the subtitle to "*Bible Basics*" which led to their coming to the Truth all those years ago.

Here we are together, with Duncan now the young man on the far left; and then a very blurry picture of the two Duncans in the freezing rain and water near Tivat, Montenegro:



NEV Bible commentary

We're pleased to say that the deeper commentary on each verse of the Bible has now been completed. So at www.n-e-v.info you can easily locate every Bible verse and a commentary upon it. Each book of the Bible has the complete commentary for that book available for free download in various formats.

UK

A reminder that our next Carelinks conference is set for the last Saturday in February God willing at the usual venue in Croydon.

Do come- you never know what interesting people you might meet. So, *Saturday 23 Feb 2019: 10.30am to 7pm. God willing, St John's Community Hall, Upper Selsdon Road, South Croydon, Surrey CR2 8DD*

USA

Brother Jason Kominek has been able to visit brother Bill Dixon within the prison he's in, in Ohio. They had warm fellowship and were able to break bread together and discuss the further spread of the true Gospel in that prison:



CANADA

Brother George continues distributing our New Testaments and Bible literature to the homeless at the old bus station in Hamilton ONT. Temperatures are really very low and he is really giving folks the ultimate hope:



AUSTRALIA

We're pleased to say that stocks of the *NEV New Testaments* [including commentary and a reduced version of *Bible Basics* at the back of it] have now arrived in Australia and are available from Steve & Robin Jones, they are stored at Bro Steve's mechanics yard in Sutherland, Sydney... seeing Steve at work in +40 degrees is such a contrast to the super low temperatures in Eastern Europe at the moment:



The distribution of the *2019 Creation calendars* in Australian prisons has now resulted in requests for our *NEV Bibles* in the prisons. The chaplain of a woman's prison in NSW has just written to brother John Thatcher:

Dear John

Thank you for sending me the 2 bibles. I would appreciate it if you could send me more. Whilst we are able to get bibles through our chaplaincy administration, a few inmates have seen the one you sent me and would like a copy (the soft green cover). Would it be possible if you could send me 10 so that I can give them the inmates who have asked me. Blessing too to you for 2019"

So again we see the Gospel going out now to all corners of society.

PRAYER POINTS:

- For those recently baptized
- For those struggling practically and financially in the very cold weather
- That the family in Montenegro might be able to emigrate somewhere better
- For all those receiving our literature and reading the Bible for the first time because of it

With love from your brothers and sisters of Carelinks