

July 2017 Italy, UK, Ukraine

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UK

Brother Duncan writes: "I am sad to tell you that my dear mum, Gwladys Olwyn Heaster, fell asleep in the Lord Jesus in my arms recently, after a long life totally dedicated to the work of the Gospel.

She will be laid to rest on Monday 24 July God willing, at 2:45 PM, with the service at 49 The Woodfields, CR2 0HJ UK, the home where so many good things were done in the Lord's service for so long.

It will be a house church with a difference, we will have the coffin at home and after the service, will carry the coffin about 100 metres to a plot in the parish graveyard nearby for the interment.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to *Carelinks*, whose work she passionately supported".

ITALY

Migrants continue to pour onto the beaches and ports of **Sicily** and southern Italy, amidst very high temperatures, lack of rain and wildfires in the region. Water supply and accommodation is inadequate- over 16,000 arrived over a recent weekend. Italy cannot cope and as reported last time, the situation is really very bad. Of course, people in desperate situations will turn to God and spiritual things, and interest continues.

We now have groups of migrants, some of whom have been settled in Italy many years, seriously interested throughout Italy. We have reported previously the strong opposition to the migrants, resulting in abusive situations. We experienced cat calling as we walked on beaches with Africans, refusal to serve us in cafes etc... but this came to a head a few days ago when brother Anthony, whose baptism we reported last *Carelink*, was brutally attacked by a man with an iron bar in a racially motivated attack. He is now in hospital recovering. Anthony is a true convert to Christ and a gentle, non confrontational person.

Please pray for him and all the other black brethren at risk from this kind of thing; brother Joseph is taking him food and visiting him in the hospital:



Brother Anthony was brutally treated by Muslim kidnapers in Libya, as he testified in the video we advertised last *Carelink*, and still has marks on his head from where he was beaten with metal piping. And now he has this. Please pray for him.

We are continuing our efforts to feed the migrants in the Bologna-Cesena and other areas of Italy this Summer. We have a team from the **UK** and **Australia** coming over. Now is the time to ask if you would consider donating towards some of the projected expenses:

- 1500 £ towards food and water purchase

- 300 £ towards buying local 2nd hand clothing appropriate for their needs
- 1000 £ to cover hire of a minibus and fuel so we can pick up the folks from their various camps and bring them a central place for feeding and Bible teaching, and also to take supplies out to them. Many of the camps they are placed in are disused buildings in rural areas with no public transport going to them.
- 1500 £ Rental of accommodation

This work has been ongoing for 2 years and *Carelink* readers will have seen that many have come to learn Bible truth and to be baptized into the Lord Jesus during that time. Please do pray for our work and for those we encounter.

UKRAINE

The war there continues, now with terrible suffering for the few million ordinary people living in Eastern Ukraine, who are cut off from Ukraine proper to the west by the front line, and hemmed in to the north and east by Russia, and the sea to their south is effectively under Russian control. The situation has been rather edged out of the media by other news items, but there is no real progress there towards peace or stability for the inhabitants. Brother Yuri P however has been active in following up on contacts there, and he tells us that he was able to meet and baptize two sisters in the flesh OLGA and KRISTINA. Here is Olga with Br Yuri:



PRAYER POINTS

- For those recently baptized
- For brother Anthony's healing
- For our ongoing work in Italy
- For all our brothers and sisters suffering from racism and living under the threat of racially motivated attacks

With love from your brothers and sisters of Carelinks