

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We wholeheartedly thank God to have you as our faithful friends through the years, with whom we can share our joys and our battles and to be sure that you are praying for us and so often supporting us in various ways. We, from our side, also think about all of you and pray for you.

Very quickly we would like to mention the most important and last news from us.

After we returned from England where we visited the church in Yateley and we became so encouraged to see the way their café works and also meeting so many people, including the church from Warfield, all of whom had even tears in their eyes while we were sharing about the life in Bulgaria, praise the Lord, we received the documents from the architects about the renovation of the Blue House. It happened the day when we were taking Victor to Sofia and actually, in the evening the same day we were able to deposit it in the Ministry of Culture in Sofia for approval. Now, we ask God for quick reply from them.

Our other news is about the church. We have already shared that our heart desire is take the church out from the underground in a better location. Unfortunately, the neighbor of the Blue House stopped the sale of her property, maybe because we wanted it for church, but now God opened new possibility for us, just 5 minutes away from the Blue House in one of the central streets in Sliven.

It is now auto-repair shop, with parking (the entire ground is 406 square meters, the built up area is 140 square meters), solid construction, and the arraignment of the premises are exactly what we would need for a church. If we manage to buy it, it will not need initial building works but just repairs.



As a church, we had official meeting last Sunday. Everyone was introduced to the possibility. We are all enthusiastic and would like this to happen. Until now we haven't had better real option, even with a parking area! We have discussed it with the chairman of the Baptist Union and he also thinks it is a good option for a church. We chose 24 June, tomorrow, as a day for prayer and fast for this.

The price of the building is 320 000 Euro. Of course, it is expensive for us, because we do not have the money, but the price is very reasonable having in mind that the flats in this area cost at about 160 000 Euro.

In any case, our plan is to sell the church building that we are in possession now. We hope that the building we have

would be sold for about 200 000 Euro. We would need, of course, money to make at least minimal renovation, which will enable us to have meetings there. The best way for us would be if we could find the necessary amount for the new property and to buy it before selling the old building so that we would not be under pressure.

That is why we turn to you, firstly to pray for us, to demand from God this possibility, if this is His place for us, He to “make a way where there seems to be no way”, to lead us through His Spirit with wisdom, to work in the hearts of the sellers and all institutions. Until now, the sellers are very open, and even we could say encouraged that their property would be used for a church because years ago, the old lady who sold this place to them told them: if you do not buy it, I will give it for a church. Who knows if it wasn’t a prophetic!

We are also asking for financial support – every according the possibilities (2 Cor. 8:3), and as our God leads you – whether it would be a donation or if you could give us a loan a bigger amount, which we could return to you after selling the old building. Or if you know brother or sister in the Lord with more financial possibilities, who would be glad to share their blessings for the work of God, please share our appeal and God could use you in this way.

We know that at first glance we deal with big “Goliath” facing the financial challenge before us, but we believe that if this is from the Lord and for His blessing upon the church in Sliven, we can succeed together.

It is truly exciting what is going on. We haven’t expected that to happen now, when the project for the café-bookshop in the Blue House also proceeded, but we all know in Whom our times are.

Thank you very much for taking your time to read our information and please pray for us personally, because we do want to do whatever we can so that God’s light would be lifted through the projects in the Blue House and the church.

Please, also pray for the children camps which the youths from our church will attend in the first half of July;

Please, pray for the children week in our church which will take place from 27th until 31st July;

We send lots of love and blessings to all of you and are looking forward to hearing back from you.

God bless you,

Yuri&Plamy (and the whole church 😊)