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Dear Friend of Missions,

Thank you for your faithful support of Assemblies of God World Missions around the world. Every prayer you pray, every dollar you give, every measure of encouragement you offer—it all contributes to our collective response to Christ's Great Commission.

I want to share with you a growing need in Europe that is very close to my heart. As you may know, before I began serving as AGWM executive director, Sandie and I were missionaries in Vienna, Austria, and I later served as Europe regional director.

Europe, home to the Protestant Reformation some 500 years ago, once pulsed with an evangelistic fervor that saw the development of numerous church bodies still active today. The Assemblies of God, though birthed in the United States, shares its roots with other groups in Europe's Christian history.

Today, however, Europe is a largely secular continent. Many historic cathedrals and churches are merely tourist attractions today. Millions of Europeans who identify themselves as "Christian" from a traditional or social point of view have never had a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ. An immigration influx from North Africa, the Middle East, and Asia has brought in large communities adhering to Islam and other religions.

During the past two years that final fact has morphed somewhat. Instead of coming to Europe seeking employment or education, the majority of the continent's immigrants are now refugees. In 2014, 280,000 refugees crossed borders into Europe from regions of war and violence. So far this year, that number has increased to more than 500,000 new refugees in desperate need.

Europe's secular governments are struggling to absorb this influx, and Europe's churches are rising to meet the challenge. My heart aches for the pressing needs and difficult living conditions these refugees endure. But I am encouraged as our AGWM missionaries, national churches, and teams from Convoy of Hope work together to offer tangible expressions of Christ's love.

Besides the food, water, clothing and other resources we hope to provide long-term, we anticipate countless opportunities to share the gospel one-on-one with people we could never reach otherwise. Will you join me in praying that God will give wisdom, protection, and governments' favor to our personnel, and a bountiful harvest of souls from among this new wave of lost humanity?

So *all* can hear,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Greg Mundis".

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