阿爾巴尼亞:共產主義在90年代崩潰的同時,官方所強制 的無神主義也逐漸消失,但已有好幾代的年青人未有機會 接觸福音。在9月22-23日,眾教會與一機構合作,在首都 的中心廣場舉辦了一場慶典,有2萬多人參加,節目包括 現場演唱、越野腳踏車特技表演、兒童節目以及清晰的福 音信息。結果有2,300人信主,教會隨即跟進。全國最大 的3個電視網絡一連幾天報導,市長也親臨致詞表示歡迎 和支持。

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<Luis Palau Association, www.palau.org, 10/3/12>

中國:教會快速增長之際卻面臨一個重要問題,某牧者稱 之為「三多」:教會內老年人太多,未受過教育的人太 多,年長婦女太多。教會明白他們幾乎全沒有年青人事 工,已開始設立這類事工的工人培訓,並裝備教會領袖有 關的知識。一個有效的策略是開辦甚受年青人歡迎的英文 營會和藝術中心。

<China Partner, www.chinapartner.org, 10/9/12>

哥斯達黎加:一本土團體舉辦「盡所能服務以分享福 音」。他們差遣本土或操西班牙語的醫生、牙醫及藥劑師 到偏遠地區為居民作醫療服侍,或進入公共學校,舉辦遊 戲日、油漆課室等活動。由此不單能與學生們建立關係, 也可以接觸教員及家長。他們也明白很多學生完成六年級 後流失,所以也開辦研討會,鼓勵學生繼續學業。

<The Mission Society, www.themissionsociety.org, 9/27/12>

埃及:自從穆斯林弟兄會在今年的選舉中控制了政府以來,約佔全國人口10%的科普特基督徒受到更多逼迫。此外,那位通常就情勢發言的主教於3月離世,新主教要到 12月才被選出。教會領袖們發出緊急呼籲為他們代禱,求 神使他們順利選出一位適當且有異象的主教,也為他們對 教會前景的憂慮禱告。

<Open Doors USA, www.opendoorsusa.org, 10/1/12>

海地:自1979年以來,一機構每年都舉辦36歲以下的年青 人營會,為期一週。有些人會邀請非基督徒參加,與他們 分享福音。今年的兩個營會有400多位這類客人參加,其 中76位信了主。兩年前,一位熱衷於鬥雞並奉行巫毒教的 人曾詢問何以他未被邀請,被詢問的人出於恐懼而邀請了 他。他在營會中信了主,回家將所有與巫毒教有關的物件 都燒毀,並將所擁有的鬥狗場所改裝為禱告中心。

<Christian World Outreach, www.cwomissions.org, 10/2/12>

印度:今年8月,某邦的高等法院將該邦「反改教法案」 的某些部分廢除,如:迫令欲改教者必須在受洗前通知當 地執政者,以及迫令當地執政者要調查每個改教案件。一 般人認為高等法院這項裁決實維護了國家憲法,並支持個 人選擇所信宗教的權利。目前,有5個邦執行「反改教法 案」,另有2邦未開始執行。今年,由於教會的增長,基 督徒更多遭受逼迫。

<Bibles for the World, www.biblesfortheworld.org,9/28/12>

尼泊爾:未得之民的地區通常都很窮困,缺乏健康及衛生 常識和醫療設備。一機構舉行了一個5天的訓練課程,教 導如何綜合外展工作與改進健康、減低嬰兒夭折率、提高 農產品產量等活動,醫療服侍打開了西部非常抗拒福音的 地區。當地教會有爆炸性的增長,但需要門徒訓練。這機 構每年派出150學生到偏遠地區宣教。

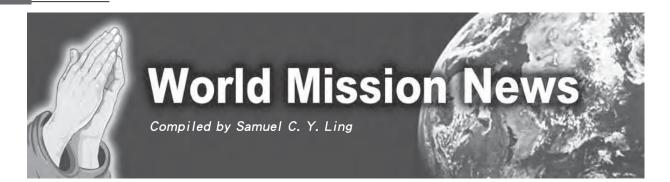
<Operation Mobilization, www.omusa.org, 10/4/12>

尼日利亞:自從今年4月選出一位基督徒總統以來,北部 憤怒的穆斯林青年上街巡行,攻擊基督徒,燒毀教會及住 宅。一個特別殘酷的穆斯林團體,差不多每星期都會當著 妻子面前殺死她們的牧者丈夫。一機構積極支援這些寡 婦,幫助她們找到新的養家方式,維持兒女的教育,及提 供款項經營生意等。

<Buckner International, www.buckner.org, 10/18/12>

墨西哥:一機構把在美國收集的鞋子帶到當地瓦哈卡州派送。第一天很順利;第二天他們遇到問題:不夠小號碼鞋 發給27個脫了鞋在等待的孩子。經禱告後,他們決定繼 續,抄下未能拿到鞋的兒童名字,請他們下星期再來取。 到了最後,每個兒童都分發到合適的鞋,而他們驚訝地發 現,袋中還剩下5雙18號的大鞋、4雙男鞋、1雙女鞋。

<Buckner International, www.buckner.org, 10/18/12>



Albania: Along with fall of communism in the 90's, came the fall of state-imposed atheism and generations never knowing the gospel. Last September 22-23, the largest faith gathering of 20,000+ enjoyed a festival on the main square of the capital, put up by the churches with the help of an gospel agency. There was live music, stunt show by motocross athletes, program for kids, and clear presentation of the Good News. All told, 2,300 people made decisions for Christ with follow-up by local churches. Nation's three top TV networks carried the story for days, and the mayor came also and offered welcome and support.

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<Luis Palau Association, www.palau.org, 10/3/12>

China: As the fast growing Church, it has an underlying problem, termed by a pastor as the "three too manys": too many old people, too many uneducated people, and too many women that are all old. Realizing that youth ministry is virtually non-existent, they are starting a training initiative to train youth leader and equip church leaders on youth ministry. One strategy is to use English camps with English Corner and Arts Center that are attractive to young people.

<China Partner, www.chinapartner.org, 10/9/12>

Costa Rica: An indigenous group is "sharing the gospel by extreme acts of service." They develop and build up a community, develop relationships in the process, and share the gospel. They send native or Latino doctors, dentists, and pharmacists to remote places. Or they go into public schools to do play-days, paint classrooms, etc. Thus they develop relationships not only with students, but with teachers and parents too. For the problem of many students dropping out after 6th grade, they set up seminars to help them stay in school.

<The Mission Society, www.themissionsociety.org, 9/27/12>

Egypt: Since the election when Muslim Brotherhood took control of the government, persecution of Coptic Christians (about 10% of the population) has increased. Additionally, the Coptic Pope, who normally would be the one to speak up, died last March, and a new one would not be elected until December. Church leaders have issued an urgent plea for prayers: prayers for the orderly selection of right person to be the Pope with a vision, and for the many concerns about their future.

<Open Doors USA, www.opendoorsusa.org, 10/1/12>

Haiti: Since 1979 an agency has held youth camps for young adults up to age 35. Some would invite non-Christians to join them for a week and share with them the gospel. Of 400 guests at two camps this year, 76 of them came to Christ. Two years ago, a man very involved in voodoo and cock-fighting asked someone why he was not invited. Out of fear, the man

invited him. He accepted Christ in camp, went home, burned everything about voodoo, and turned his cock-fight arena into a prayer center.

<Christian World Outreach, www.cwomissions.org, 10/2/12>

India: Last August, a provincial High Court struck down parts of the state's anti-conversion law: the part mandating anyone seeking to convert to give prior notice to local authorities before being baptized; and the part mandating the state to inquire into every conversion. The ruling was assessed to have upheld and protected the constitution, plus having recognized individual's right to choose one's religion. Currently, anti-conversion laws are enforced in five states, with two other states not yet implementing them. Persecution has been rising this year. It is attributed to the growth of the Christian Church.

<Bibles for the World, www.biblesfortheworld.org,9/28/12>

Nepal: Unreached communities are often poor, lacking understanding of health and sanitation, and of medical care. Medical care opens doors in western areas, very resistant to the gospel. An agency uses a five-day training course on how to integrate outreach efforts with that of improving health, decreasing infant mortality, enhancing agricultural productivity, etc. The Church here is exploding in numbers and they need discipleship training. The agency sends some 150 students each year to remote areas.

<Operation Mobilization, www.omusa.org, 10/4/12>

Nigeria: Violence erupted in northern regions after the election last April of a Christian President. Angry Muslim youth took to the streets attacking believers, and burning their houses and churches. An especially vicious militant Muslim group even has been killing pastors in front of their wives seemingly every week. An agency has been providing these widows new ways to support themselves and their families, education for the children, funds to start business, etc..

<Voice of the Martyrs, www.persecution.com, 10/3/12>

Mexico: An agency was distributing shoes collected in the US at a location in Oaxaca. The first day went well, but the team had a problem on the second day when they discovered that they did not have enough smaller-sized shoes for the 27 kids still sitting there with shoes off waiting. After praying, they made a decision to continue and, at the end, take the names of the rest and tell them to come back the next week. So, they carried on busily without realizing that they fitted every child with the right-sized shoe. It amazed them to look at the 5 pairs of sized-18 shoes, 4 pairs for boys and 1 pair for girls, left in the bag.

<Buckner International, www.buckner.org, 10/18/12>