

SAVED TO SERVE

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee

LIGHT mission

The Lay Institute for Global Health Training (L.I.G.H.T.) is a supporting ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist church devoted to hasten the coming of Jesus by training and equipping men and women to work as medical missionaries (health evangelists) in a short time. It is our goal to foster a worldwide expansion of health evangelism by helping our graduates establish centers of health and healing around the world.

Our motivation

“We have come to a time when **every member of the church** should take hold of medical missionary work. The world is a lazar house filled with victims of both physical and spiritual disease. Everywhere people are perishing for lack of a knowledge of the truths that have been committed to us. The members of the church are in need of an awakening, that they may realize their responsibility to impart these truths... To hide our light at this time is to make a terrible mistake.” **7 Testimonies, p. 62**



New start in Bulgaria for medical missionary education

Our dear friends, we would like to share with you our joy: on September, 8th the first six months international LIGHT training Bulgaria started. God blessed us with students from Bulgaria, Romania, Moldova, Holland and Great Britain. LIGHT team appreciates the help and support of the Center of Health and Prevention, Banya for opening its doors for this educational program.

Every day the program offers spiritual and medical classes, practical classes in different areas. Sabbath and Sunday are missionary days. This month we visited the churches in Sliven, Nova Zagora, Russe. We had also a special program in the elder home in Banya village.

We could share many interesting things about these first four weeks, but this time we will let some of our precious students to share their experiences and impressions.





Meet Miriam

To be a student in God's school is a privilege.

Ever since I arrived at the Lifestyle Centre, here in Banya, the medical missionary workers have opened their hearts to make me feel at home. I arrived a week earlier and I am happy God made this possible. The nature here is so beautiful, I love to spend my time on the mountains reading my Bible and talking to God. In this week I had time to explore the area and bond with the people that work in the health centre.

I am so happy to learn about God's Principles of Health and Healing and Spiritual classes. I found out about simple Natural Remedies that are spread widely in the Bible. I am still amazed to read verses from the Bible and listen to quotations from Ellen White about natural remedies, praising God in my heart for His greatness and wisdom

3 years of prayer...to GOD - 1 day of GREAT ANSWERS... from GOD.

We are a family from Republic of Moldova. Our daughter is 2 years old. In 2010 we decided to serve our God through medical missionary ministry. At that moment my wife was medical student in the fourth study year. Today, in 2014, we are in Bulgaria, according to the God's plan.

God was teaching us through many trials, making us stronger and preparing us for something special. Why? First year we decided to go to the medical missionary school in Moldova, but God directed us in another place to serve Him. Next year we decided to go to Romania, to learn there, but the Romanian Embassy in Moldova, gave us four times the same answer - NO. I asked GOD: Why? Silence. Will you try again if 2 years you have the same answer? ... We did. One day, Serghei Costash, called us, and asked if we want to come to Bulgaria to attend the LIGHT training. What was our answer? Yes, we want! What was God's answer? You already know it; we are here part of a great educational program.

Someone can ask us: why you are so sure that God was the One to lead you?

You see, we had in 1 day more than 3 answers to 3 years of prayers. So I will do my best to answer to your question so you also will be part of our family joy.

1. First miracle: we needed to travel more than 800 km from Moldova to Bulgaria, and we had only a half of the amount to pay the tuition. So I prayed and started to prepare my car for selling. Before I also tried to sell it, because of its big consume of fuel. But no result. We called and announced the school leadership the day of our arrival. So Sunday, a day before departure, in the evening someone called us, and said that there is a family that needs a car. I agreed, but they had to come to see it. They were living 90km away from our house. They said that next day (Monday) they would come - the day of our departure if you remember. In the morning, we need to prepare our luggage to take with us for the





land wisdom above our understanding. {Isaiah 55:8,9 & Ecclesiastes 11: 5b }

God finally answered to my prayers for more wisdom on how to approach the Bible, to set up a Bible study and to receive new knowledge to share with others. I am looking forward to use all the information we learn, when we have outreach, mission trips and Health Expo's .

In the first week we visited a local retirement home on Sabbath afternoon. We sang for the elderly and the pastor that was visiting us preached about the Eternal life: about the hope we have because Jesus gave himself as a sacrifice for our sins and that soon He will come to take home His children. It was a blessing to be able to go there and to give them our love, books, to talk one on one with the elderly.

God gave us a mission when he said in {Mark 16:15} "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature" this

next six month, a lot of things to do but I was busy selling our car. The deal was done with no problem, they came, they liked it and they bought it. This way God solved one challenge we had: school fees for my dear wife and me.

2. Next question: But how to travel toady to Bulgaria? Second miracle that God did for our family: our friends heard that we plan a trip to Bulgaria, and decided to call us. Guess which was their first question? Do you need any help with your travel to Bulgaria? Maybe we can do something for you? I said: Yes, today we need a car and a person to accompany us in our journey. The answer was so quick and overwhelming: This evening, we will come to pick you up. So, Daniel and Natalia were the instruments that God elected for our trip. Is God foreseeable and kind with us? O, yes He is. Praise be His name!

3. I think you are eager to read the third miracle. When you learn in Babylon's school, you are in danger. But when you learn the medicine of Babylon, the danger becomes a great controversy. After God blessed us with a child, my wife had to freeze her studies for 2 years because of our daughter heart disease. In September 2014 she had to return to her normal studies, and to finish her last study year in Medicine, the 6th one. But we decided that is better for mother to be at home one year more with the baby. Why? The first 3 years are crucial in the education and character development of a child. So, we went to the dean of the Medical State University, to ask him one year more. He said: it is impossible. You can't have such permission. 3 years are more than exceptional. Anyway, my wife decided to write a letter of explanation, but she didn't mention that we plan to go to Bulgaria. So, the dean didn't sign the letter but sent it directly to rector of the University. And he said that Monday (the same Monday we planned to leave for Bulgaria), you would have the answer. So, we prayed and fasted for this Monday. Meanwhile we prepared for our travel, because to listen our God is better than a man. Monday morning my wife calls to the University, a secretary said that the letter was signed and we can go where we planned. But she didn't know that we plan to travel. From where she knew that we will travel? You know, my friends.

This way, now we are LIGHT students in Bulgaria, because God brightened us.

If you believe that He has a plan for your life, don't be afraid to continue your path without moneys, human accreditation or God's visible answer. He is near to you, he enriches you, trust you, loves you, and is waiting for you.

Proverbs 30:5 "Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him".