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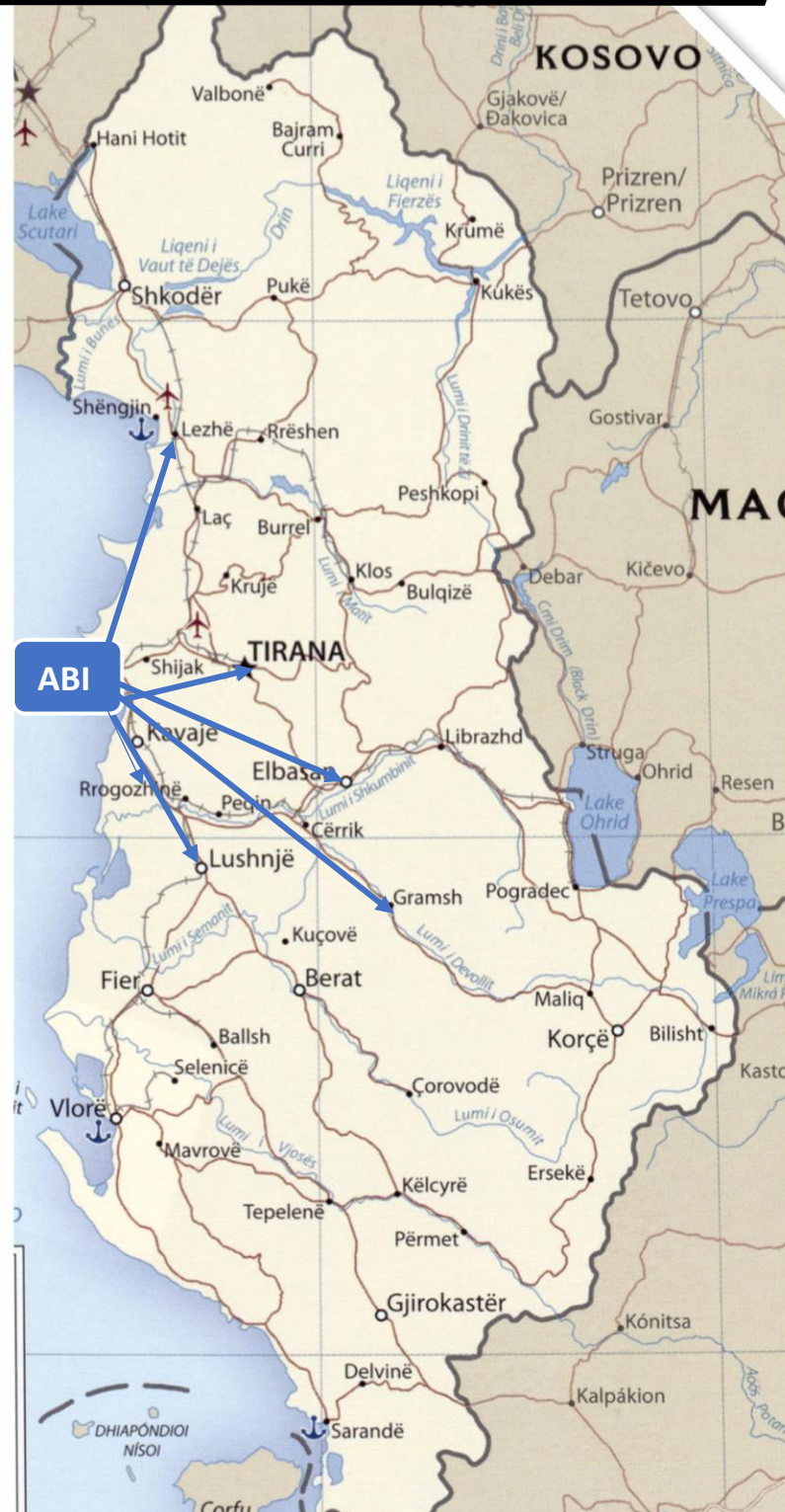
The MINTS Bible School at ABI facility



Pëllumb preaching at our church in Durrës



Dr Nikolla 86, with the large print Bible



The blue lines show the places where we preach, conduct seminars, and where churches study with the SEAN materials

The Director's Report – September 2024

“Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.”. Hebrews 13:15

Our living God created us for fellowship with Him and for His glory. What a privilege it is for us to continue to offer Him sacrifices of praise as we walk and serve Him! We have had a blessed, busy and very hot weather in this Summer in Durrës. As we seek Him to lead us and use us, new things we were able to do. I spend a week with the Good Seed church teaching and Pastor Ermir said “It was indeed a blessing for them”. The MINTS Bible school started and we are glad to host them and see the students grow. We are encouraged by the feedback of the ministry in all dimensions and we do know there are others that are impacted by it but we do not hear from them. Yes, our service is being lifted up with our prayers to praise the Lord. He alone is worthy of all of the praise!

May you be encouraged as you read and praise Him with us!

Pëllumb Ranxha

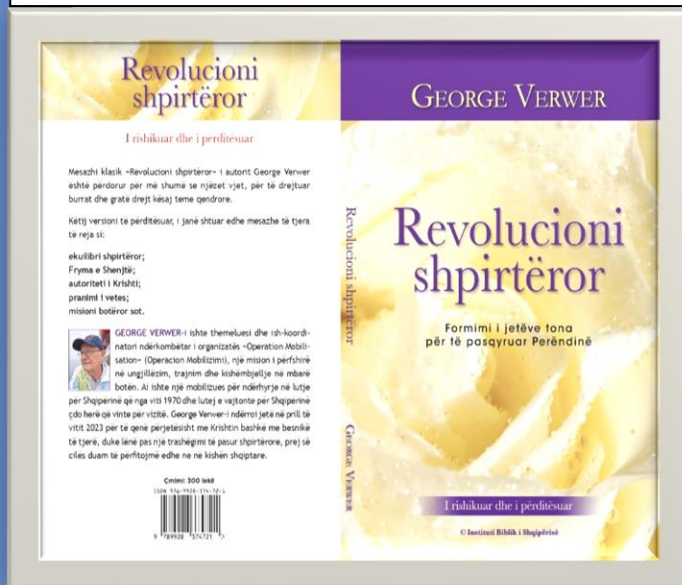
Preaching at our home church in Gramsh



Preaching, teaching and leadership training

It has been my privilege to preach during this time in: Durrës, Lezhë, Pogradec, Gramsh. We did have a very good time with the Good Seed Church from Vorë and Marikaj as I was invited to teach for whole week in their summer camp in Pogradec. We did have good times of fellowship and made new contacts. Pastor Ermir Taja was grateful for our time and the ongoing relationship with ABI as we spoke about it. We did celebrate 30 years of our home church in Gramsh where I preached (this picture) and enjoyed meeting with old and new friends, reflecting for God's faithfulness for the past and trusting Him for the future. This month we did start the leadership training in Lezhë and I preach there as well. I feel privileged to see such a ministry going on, while many other things hapen and bring forth fruit.

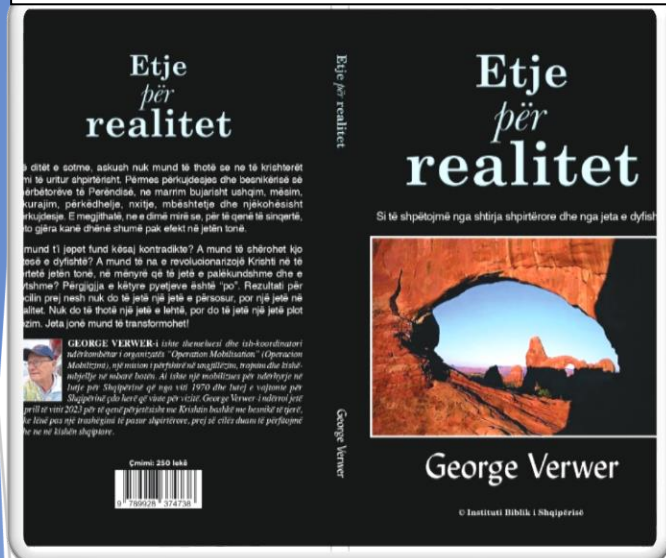
“The Revolution of love” G. Verwer in Albanian



Two new books printed for the Albanian Church

We continue to enjoy the privilege of providing the church with edifying books from authors whose life and ministry has had and has a great impact. Such is the life and legacy of George Verwer as the founder of OM and someone who prayed for Albania during communism and did much for our country when it opened. After much work we were able to print “The Revolution of Love” and “Hunger for Reality” in Albanian. We are glad our churches have two more books used worldwide to continue to grow in our faith and testimony as there is much in them encouraging us to grow in love, care, modesty and a powerful testimony for Jesus.

Hunger for Reality, George Verwer in Albanian



Two new AUDIO books and the online ministry

As we enjoy the fruit, the feedback from the previous audio books, we decided to make these two new printed books audio as well. We are thus reaching a number of believers in and out of the country with them. It blesses us to see 150 hours of listening in YouTube and more than 2000 listeners in our website in the last three months. Besides this a number of readers continue to get our e-books and read and use the articles of our blog. Little idea did we have how many people would be reached when we started this online ministry. Glory be to God for all of it and may He bring even more fruit!

Adam and Allison Roseboom



What do the others say about ABI?

When our family came to serve with ABI in 2005, 1 Thessalonians 2:13 was a verse that summarized what God had already been doing in Albania through the power of His Word: "When you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers. "For three decades now, God has used ABI to help equip the Albanian church to know and proclaim the gospel. God's Word, by His Spirit, is accomplishing His plans and purposes. We praise God for Pellumb's continued faithfulness to the ministry of the Word.

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Adam Roseboom, former teacher at ABI

THE FAMILY CORNER

Pëllumb & Manjola



We did celebrate 24 years of marriage this August and are very grateful to our Lord for His blessing upon our family. It's the first time Ildi is 4 months away from us in USA, and in spite of some challenges he is well. He will be here in a month to start college in his second year. Andrea continues his job and is soon starting his master's degree. He has served in some special worship moments such as a weeding and it was a real blessing to many. We both are blessed to have my parents and her mother as elderly and do have responsibilities as the only children, her the only daughter and me the only son. We seek the Lord for all things that in all He will be praised even when it comes to the relationships with our families as the only believers in both of them. Thank you so much for all the prayers and support!

PRAISES:

We praise Him for making Himself known to us, leading and using us for his glory.

Be thankful for the two new printed books and audio as well for the church in Albania.

We thank Him for the provision for the family and the ministry of ABI.

We thank the Lord for His protection on Ildi as he is far way from home.

We praise the Lord for all the believers and others that are being served by ABI through all the doors the Lord has opened.

Be thankful for the MINST Bible school and the facility of ABI, ministering to many and to our family as well. So grateful for it.

Just praise the Lord for ABI and for all He is doing in and through us.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

We will come to know God more and grow in love and faithfulness to Him and His call for us.

More believers will be reached by our audio and printed books at this time, for more fruit.

Wisdom from above for Pëllumb in all, that I will keep a good balance in being and doing.

For the salvation of Pëllumb's parents and Manjola's mother and healing for the continuing health issues.

For the Lord's provision as we need to reprint two our books and for the challenge of a low exchange rate, giving us 20-25% less for each dollar.

For a blessed relationship with the staff and students of the Bible school as they are here weekly.

For the Lord's protection on our son Ildi, to bring him home well and safe next month.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

We are very thankful to our Lord for all the donations for the ministry in Albania.
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This is done before the Lord, to the ABI board and the Albanian government.*

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