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Activities of Fall 2016

October has been a busy month of family and ministry occasions. We spent a long weekend in Washington D.C. as I did research at the contemporary wing of the National Gallery. I was one of the first to enter as the Gallery re-opened following a three-year renovation.

This past weekend, I spoke three times in four days—different locations and different subjects! I spoke on “The Image of Christ in the Early Church”; “Trauma Recovery”; and “Forgiveness”.

As a “love-gift” to my family, I do a multi-course dinner each season. One of the favorites is the “Fall Family Feast” which was held this past Saturday evening. These are the three granddaughters, Fiona, Emma and Tessa, that were able to attend. What joy!

Happy Fall!





I Choose to
Forgive

*Beyond my wildest
dreams. . .*

It is incredible to me that so much good has come out of the deep wound that occurred when Tim was murdered. I've shared my journey of healing and forgiveness around the world and my book is in many languages. This summer I completed the expanded version of the book, which brings it up-to-date, plus added chapters by Glenn, our daughter and Mike, (the man who killed Tim)—all sharing their own journey of forgiveness. I am in the midst of writing they second facet of the journey called, "God: the Original Abstract Artist" (working title). But I am astounded at God's "next phase" of our journey—a **film!**

This spring I was approached by a noted film maker of "films of substance" about the possibility

*God
isn't finished
with our story
yet. (Mike)*

of directing a film about our journey. Two months later, **Makoto Fujimura**, the internationally-known painter/author and founder of the International Arts Movement, the Culture Care Movement and the Director of the Brehm Center of Fuller Seminary, encouraged me to expand the vision into a **documentary film** which merges both my forgiveness and arts journeys. He will serve as Executive Producer. I am thrilled to announce that the film project is moving forward! Mako believes the "abstract art/healing" piece needs to set the

the tone for the film. He sees it as a beautiful and graceful story, even though the subject is difficult and full of horror. It will focus on God's power, grace and the freedom of forgiveness.

In order to get this project started, **\$10,000** is needed as "seed money" to cover initial expenses. Please consider giving a generous donation for this film project. All gifts are tax-deductible. Give to: **A.C.T. Int'l; P.O. Box 1649, Brentwood, TN. 37024; Account: 0625-4070 Film Project** or on-line at www.actinternational.org/donations.

*God
can use this
to bring hope to
many people
(Mike)*



The Photo. . .

The royalties from the sale of the Hungarian *I Choose to Forgive* book were donated for Bibles and Christian literature for the children in a Roma (Gypsy) Camp this fall. Praise God.

Prayer Team. . .

If you are willing to pray with/for an A.C.T. Intl missionary in Moscow, please let me know and I'll connect you. The need for prayer is very great right now.

ArtsCharlotte . . .

The artistic communities for the Visual Arts, Performing Arts and Writers are beginning to function and hold events. Check out www.artscharlotte.org for information. We will hold another cross-arts disciplines

*God's
ministry
through me
around the
world.*



Gathering soon. We want to be a catalyst for the creative people of Charlotte to listen to the hurting people of our city and speak healing through the arts. Plans are being considered for a celebration of healing through the arts in 2017.

Prayer & Praise. . .

- ➔ Glenn, our daughter & son-in-law & team doing ministry in Albania for the rest of the month.
- ➔ Ability to get much done on the current book project.
- ➔ Income for our personal and ministry needs.
- ➔ Film project plans & funds.
- ➔ Meetings in TN in November.

Partnering . . .

Prayers and financial gifts are deeply appreciated! Donations: A.C.T. Intl; P.O.Box 1649, Brentwood, TN 379; **Account 0625.**

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*Thank-you,
Dianne*