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Greetings to All of Our Faithful Friends,

I looked around the table and was amazed. People from Spain, United Kingdom, United States, Brazil, Palau, Switzerland, Poland, Ukraine, Chile, Australia, and Portugal were present. Each one represented a different international organization working with the addicted and marginalized of society. Each one represented a Christ-centered organization. Terry and I were representing Teen Challenge.

This organization called ISAAC – International Substance Abuse and Addictions Coalition – is also known in the United Nations and several other national governments. One of its stated purposes is to “connect” many organizations doing similar work in the world. The result of such connections is an enormous body of faith-based works and workers worldwide. At present, there are over 1,000 organizations in the coalition. It was a joy to be involved and deepen relationships already established.

It has always been part of our strategy with Teen Challenge in Europe to work, as much as possible, with other Christian organizations doing similar work. The end result for me personally is a sense of encouragement. We are not alone, and God is raising up many others with a specific calling to touch the troubled lives of the addicted. What a mighty God we serve!

The weekend ended with a church service at the Betel Center in Madrid, Spain. I was privileged to be the speaker in the closing service. I still am basking in a warmth from the whole experience. We are further encouraged to continue the work. God has raised an army. We are not alone, and God has not forgotten the addicted of the world!

Once again, as I write these words I am also thankful for all of you who help us so faithfully. We have been with Teen Challenge in Europe now 34 years. We couldn't do it without you all.

May God Richly Bless You,

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