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" For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." (Ephesians 6:12)

Late Reverend Richard Wurmbrand spent 14 years in Romanian communist prisons. Mrs. Wurmbrand was imprisoned for nearly three years, also for her Christian faith in some of the same prisons.

From an unpublished Bible meditation by late Reverend Richard Wurmbrand

Imminent Danger

There exists a Satanist sect, a sect of devil worshippers. It exists in many countries of the world. It is big in America, it has its headquarters in San Francisco. In Paris, there are four hundred churches of devil worshippers. And I have produced a booklet. It is called "Was Karl Marx a Satanist? (This book is available to be read online at http://richardwurmbrandfoundation.com See link in the third column at bottom. N.Ed.)

You will find in this booklet documents that cannot be challenged, which have not been known until now, that Karl Marx has been a high priest of this sect of devil worshippers. He taught atheism. He taught godlessness. But he was very sure that there is a God. And he had written: "I hate Him!" You will find all the quotations in this book. There exist many, many documents proving that not only Marx, but many of the leading Communists during all the time since the foundation of this movement, have been devil worshippers. Under communism, in the former Soviet Union if you declared: "I'm a child of God, a believer", you were persecuted in the school. But they formed in schools, underground, secret circles of disciples of the devil.

One might say: "What does this interest me?" It surely does. The French biologist Louis Pasteur discovered the world of microbes, millions and millions of beings. "What am I interested that such beings exist?" Well, these little beings decide about my life and about my death. If I have those beings which ferment the yeast, which ferment the bread and the wine, then they can be useful to me. If they are microbes of tuberculosis or of malaria, they can kill me. We should be interested in this unseen world of microbes, viruses. There exists also another unseen world: the world of devils. We have touched this world when we were isolated, in communist prison cells. We were kept during years, every one alone in a cell, thirty feet beneath the earth. We never saw sun, moon, snow, flowers, stars. I had forgotten that these exist. We never had a Bible, nor any other book. Never

anything happened in these prison cells. We never heard the slightest noise. The cells were soundproof. We were absolutely alone, with almost nothing to eat, nothing to see. In this profound silence of the prison cell, eyes were opened. We saw the glory of God there. We felt the nearness of the Lord. We felt surrounded by God's angels. Yet, we realized in these prison cells the presence of the devil and his angels. They were also there. They terribly tormented us. Like it happened in the Garden of Eden, the devil was constantly annoying us with doubts. He asked: "You have believed in the Savior Jesus Christ. Now, why does He not save you?" You will say: "Well, I don't deserve a miracle. I'm a sinner". "All right. But around you there are big saints. Why does He not save one of these saints? You have been mistaken. Jesus is not a Savior". And one had a fight with an evil angel, just as it is written of Jacob in the Bible getting badly injured when fighting an angel (Genesis 32:22-32.) Very often after I speak about these things, I am asked: "Why does God allow so much suffering?" The answer is simple: if a bullet pierces my chest, do I begin to philosophize of what is the bullet constituted of, what kind of a bullet is it? Does this come from a revolver or does this come from a gun? I am interested the bullet should be taken out as fast as possible. Suffering does not exist for philosophizing, neither for theologizing. It is not a question of meditating about it. A Christian wherever he sees suffering, he's ready to share in suffering, to give a tear for those who suffer, to show that his whole heart is on the side of those who suffer, and to help.

If you drive on a freeway, there is hardly a danger someone will bump into you from the opposite direction. But when dangers of accidents exist, one must pay the highest attention! When we pray, there exists also counterprayer. And when one tries to lead a Christian life, all devils are unleashed against us. To know God is not sufficient. You must be aware of the devil, too. For a doctor, to know the whole science of which prescription to write is not enough. A doctor has a deep knowledge of all the microbes trying to destroy my health. Therefore, it is important for us to know about the devilish forces which are unleashed upon us, for example on the outside through the Communist ideology. Communism is not something far away. Communists are very decided to take over the whole world.

You have children, you have grandchildren. And you enjoy to see them playing on the carpet with their toys. They are your life but great evil spiritual forces are lurking around them, like most poisonous snakes. Like Karl Marx has been a high priest of a sect of devil worshippers, we have documentations about Lenin, about other Communist leaders. Now what is this Satanist sect? They have different degrees of initiation. You are sent from one degree to the other, as a third degree you have to promise: "I will always do only what I will. I will obey nobody. I will listen to nobody". As it is written in Isaiah 53, verse 6: "we have turned every one to his own way". In the seventh degree when you have arrived, you must promise, you must put an oath, that "Nothing will be true for me, and everything will be permitted." Marx, in The Communist Manifesto, has written that his aim is the abolishing of all religion, and of all morals. Now, you would surely care if you would know for sure that a pyromaniac has decided to burn down your house. You would surely care if you would know that you have an enemy who sheds poison in the water or in the beverage you drink. You need be highly interested in the fact that there exist a big movement, the Marxist-communist movement, a Satanist movement. One and a half billion men are under Communist rule, and the one who founded Communism said: "My aim is to abolish your religion, to abolish your morals".

A former Soviet newspaper "Vecernaya Moskva" wrote: "We don't fight against believers, and not even against the clergy. We fight against God, to snatch from Him the believers". It is a conscious movement to destroy what I declared to be the most valuable thing in my life. What is Christianity for you? Do you really love Christ? Another former Soviet newspaper "Sovietskaya Moldavia", published even a formula of prayer. Now, listen to the Communist prayer: "Our Father, cursed be Your name. Let Your Kingdom never come. Let Your will be done nowhere, neither in heaven, nor on earth. You have stolen our bread from us. We will conquer it back ourselves. you can't forgive any trespasses. We will see about it ourselves. Amen". That is a Satanist prayer, which has been published by the Soviet press. And when you say your holy words in prayer, it has appeared in many variations, this Satanist prayer. Now, when you say your prayer, above is an example of a Satanist counter-prayer.

When I published this booklet, the German procommunist-press thundered against me. They never contested one quotation which I brought. Their only reply was: "Wurmbrand will not die a natural death". Now, what kind of a reply is this? I show you that Marx, and Engels, and the others belong to Satan, and you tell me that I will not die a natural death. (Indeed, upon the fall of communism in Romania, a documented plan was published showing the former communist secret police preparing an elaborate scheme to kill Reverend Richard Wurmbrand and his family. See http://www.helpforrefugees.com/NL/051215-letter-to-donors.pdf N. Ed.)

Christians in the free world live as if there were no enemy. You lock very well your doors at night because you know there exist robbers. And you cleanse everything in the house. You know there exist microbes. And you would not eat from an unwashed dish and would not drink from an unwashed glass because you know there exists a danger of all kinds of viruses which you could swallow, if you don't care that everything around you should be clean. And you beware of a dog which you don't know, which might have rabies. There is a force very decided to destroy your spiritual life, your eternal life. It has destroyed churches. It has burnt thousands of Bibles. It has poisoned children with atheism. And we belong to the church of Christ and live as if all these things would not exist. And this is wrong. The Bible recounts how a Good Samaritan showed love taking care of a stranger left for dead by violent robbers. This Good Samaritan had to be conscious that he stopped to help, in a territory infested by ruffians. If he wants do good, he cannot be naive. The thieves might harm him also or steal his donkey! In the Free World, Christians are active in their churches, they enjoy an incredible time of freedom and they show an indifference, an apathy to the evil forces around them. Jesus told us that on the last day of judgment. He will say: "I was in prison, and you visited Me not". There are tens of thousands of Christians in prison today? In Vietnam, in China, in Cuba, in North Korea, in Moslem countries. Not they are there. Christ is there. If Christians sing song after song for Him, expressing, "How much I praise You! I would like to crown You with so many crowns". Jesus would respond: "Don't give Me a crown. Give Me a glass of water. Don't give Me a crown. Give Me a prayer. Give me a tear. Give me a good word". Devilish forces exist, fighting against the church, fighting even within the church against the church. There exists a great danger for churches, as there exists for every Christian. There exists a danger for my life. And as long as I pray "Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name", I should know that in this very moment there are counter-forces which pray "Our Father, which art in heaven, cursed be Your name". Some say these very words. And others by their acts, they militate against our Christian faith. We are engaged in a big battle. We sing in our churches: "Onward Christian soldiers, marching as to war," and after the service, we don't march. We drive. Not to a war. We drive to a golf course, to a restaurant. The Bible says that we don't have to fight with flesh and blood. We don't have in front of us a Communist oppressor, or a Moslem oppressor. But we have to do with the principalities, with wicked angels, who try to destroy our faith.

The Bible describes how once, the one who used to be called Saul of Tars and became later on Apostle Paul, a persecutor, met Lord Jesus in a vision. Jesus said to him: "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute Me?" Now, Saul of Tars could have answered very truthfully: "Very sorry, sir, I have never known You. I have never touched you with a finger". He had never touched Jesus. "Why do You say I have persecuted you? I persecuted Your disciples, not You". But Jesus, although all-knowing, one thing He does not know. He does not know a difference between him and His disciples. Everything that happens to His disciples, it happens to Him. Now, you can't have love towards Christ without feeling all these things as if they happened to yourselves. There is a fight to the blood going on between the children of light and the children of darkness. And we must be really soldiers of the cross. Everyone of us should ask ourselves every day: "Which is the cross which I can take? Which is the share which I can have in this battle? How can I fight? Seeing the devil and all the wickedness of this world, how can I show loyalty to the one who has loved me and has given His life for me? Many preachers in the Free World challenge listeners to their sermons with the question: "Do you know you will go to heaven when you die?" I would challenge you, to ask yourself a more difficult question: "Do you know will you remain faithful, should your faith be on trial?" If you do not take a keen interest in your brethren and sisters who have been or are persecuted by a devilish regime, how would you know answer such a question?



The Communist Jilava Prison. Entrance to the underground cells. Richard



Prison cell with bunk-beds with no mattress, prisoners were obliged to sleep on. Stove for show only, never heated in cold winters.



Mug shot of Late Reverend Wurmbrand when held in Jilava.

For the past 40 years, HELP FOR REFUGEES, INC. has extended financial support to Christian refugees from communist countries, orphans and Christians who had been imprisoned for their faith in present and former communist countries. Also helped is the Richard Wurmbrand College, a high school in Iasi, Romania where many children of disadvantaged families are able to study. See <u>http://helpforrefugees.com</u>. Anyone may use a "DONATE" button on site. Due to tax laws inside Romania and Eastern Europe, some help needs be sent through the local Romanian nonprofit Sabina Wurmbrand Christian Association.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." (Apostle James Epistle 1:27)

Christians Helped with Your Gifts! Sentenced for Church Work to 8 Years Imprisonment Kisvaradi Magdolna



She wrote: "Esteemed Sir, brother in the Lord. I received the present sent in the name of Michael Wurmbrand. I have no words to express how encouraging it was for me to encounter his esteemed father (late Reverend Richard Wurmbrand.)

"More than 50 years have passed since I heard him speak in the Evangelical church of Cluj. He strengthened our faith, awakened in us the desire and hope to meet in the Heavenly Jerusalem all the saints. His face shone when he was reading the prophets. This strengthened me so much in the dark days of (communist) prisons. Years later, after the fall of communism, I heard him preach again in Arad. He took off his shoes like Moses in front of the burning bush. Now he is close to the Lord. I embraced many time your family in my thoughts. I thought a lot of about his son, how difficult must have been without parents. "God is not abandoning us (Acts 14:17.) I thank you again. I have no

want. Praise the Lord. I greet you with 2nd. Cor. 14:18. With respect and brotherly love."

Her biography comes from the Romanian book "Prizonierii Speranței" (The Prisoners of Hope) by Rev. Ferenc Visky.

Ms. Kisvaradi is a deaconess in the Reformed (Calvinist, N. Ed.) Church. When arrested in 1958, she was suddenly surrounded by 7 communist secret police officers, her house was searched, all Christian literature confiscated and the communist police told her inside the police van, "you are in too good a mood, which we will make sure to spoil shortly in a (communist) prison." She answered, "Christians have been persecuted throughout history. I am not guilty of anything. Should you imprison me never-the-less, it represents for me nothing more than a change of my employment location. God's Word is most necessary in prison."

She was mistreated physically in prison. Her only pain was though for the young girls in her Christian community, ever in danger to be imprisoned as well.

When sentenced she was asked specifically to whom did she witness? She answered, "to anyone who crossed my path!" Together with another seven Christians she was sentenced to 8 years of prison (specifically for her Christian missionary activity.) She was imprisoned inside an 18th Century former castle, many times having chains on her hands and legs and being kept in solitary confinement in a cell large enough for four steps. Eventually she was held with five other prisoners inside a 2-persons cell. She was much tortured in unspeakable ways and many other women prisoners lost their mind. Eventually she was released after 6 years due to a general amnesty. She was blessed by many people who years later expressed their thankfulness for their conversion through her missionary activity. She ends her testimony by writing, "Praise the Lord who in spite of many tribulations, kept me faithful to the glorious hope for what is prepared for us in heaven for myself and all those called to faith by the Lord. Amen!"

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Child growing up in the Agape Orphanage, now an MD! The AGAPE Orphanage in Pascani, Romania was Founded by Richard and Sabina Wurmbrand.

Mã numise Ana-Maria Staian, sunt casatorità cu Cristi Staian, suntem medici residenti (Ortodontie & Chinurgie dente-alveolará) 5: impreura ne dovim sá fim parte a lucrâria de la Agape? Am ejuns in cadrul fundatui in 1999 Simpheuns reu papi mei Marvus, Raduce & Vlad, 5 Arape , a fest portita pe care ne-a duschis-o Dumnezen ca sa-l cunoastem pe El, sa primin dregostra uno nameni devotate à sa invâtam sa clealim helafi si famili cirect interneiate. Ji sunt preunoscotoane lui Dumnezeu pentru Mape" s rea mai Jama raso, Jamilia perfecto pe rare ne-a alus-o El ca sa puter vuste atox fixe, pichic dan & gunitual, sa primim o directie in mata, sa fin spujjette se invatam si sa fin bune in rese pe noram ales sã facem, das mai mult, sã nu uitam sã for buni uni cu aspi. Multi music pentre devotament, pentre frecare mainagare, pentre sustinere à pentre provocani prin Law an devenit samenti jean suntem astozi Oricàt de mari am f si polunde re-an afla pentru noi "Apape" va fi mereu " acasa" !



Maria Lucaci (left, front) when living in the Agape Orphanage The four Lucaci siblings after having been received in 1999, into the Agape Orphanage

Translation:

My name is Ana-Maria STOIAN (born LUCACI.) Both myself and my husband Cristi are orthodontic-surgeons. We continue to remain involved in the (charitable work) of the AGAPE Orphanage. Together with my siblings, brothers: Marius and Vlad, as well as my sister Raluca, we all were taken in as orphans, in 1999. This was a door God opened for our lives to know Him, to receive the devoted love of the AGAPE Christian workers, to learn building a proper family life. I remain grateful to God for AGAPE, the best home and family, a true gift from God allowing us to grow physically and spiritually, to receive a proper direction in our lives, to become good at our life-calling, to be good one toward the other. I thank for your dedication, for every time you encouraged us, you supported us and challenged us to become the professionals we are today.

No matter where we would find ourselves, the AGAPE Orphanage will be called "our home!"

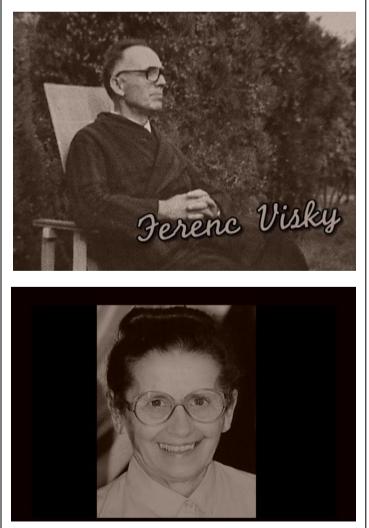


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Christians helped with your gifts The story of suffering under communism of the Visky family



The dilapidated shack where the wife of Reverend Visky and her seven children were "sent to die of hunger" in the no-man's land, the Baragan plains of communist Romania. Closest human settlement was to be found by walking 13 miles away. Many Christians dared imprisonment to secretly carry food to them.



Iulia Visky, wife of Reverend Ferenc Visky



The wife of Reverend Visky, Julia (center back) with their seven children and Deme Maria (back left) a Christian lady who volunteered to be deported with this family to the no-man's land of Baragan under the terror-regime in communist Romania. Rev. Richard Wurmbrand spent several years under Communism in the same prison cell with Reverend Visky. He described him as one of the true saints he has met in his life. While Visky was in prison, his wife Iulia and 7 small children were deported for a 2-years period to live in a "Romanian no-man's land," the so-called Baragan steppes. The closest other human settlement was about 13 miles away on foot. On Pentecost Sunday, 1958, Reverend Visky Ferencz was arrested by the Communist secret police together with other 20 Christians of the (Calvinist) Reformed Church and placed in a show-trial in Oradea in the Military Court. He was sentenced for his Christian activities to 22 years of hard-labor prison. Though not imprisoned or sentenced to prison, a member of his church. Ms. Deme Maria requested with tears in her eves to be deported together with the wife and his 7 children. This helper, a saint in her own right, though not persecuted or arrested, went into banishment with the entire family, while Visky was in prison, as a sacrifice with no hope of recognition, remuneration, etc. A communist secret police officer told her," you are nothing less than crazy since you ask for nothing less than death." Her preferred Romanian song was," Salvation we received as a gift, we have nothing to pay; through Jesus crucified, we have nothing to pay." Late Reverend Visky recounts an amazing successful confrontation he witnessed while imprisoned in the same cell. between Richard Wurmbrand and a violent communist prison guard shouting how all Christian ministers are nothing but greedy. lecherous bandits to be done away by the communist regime! Richard Wurmbrand answered: "you are right, officer, many a Christian minister stands guilty of such sins, yet there is a High Priest named Jesus, who loved the working class, was born in a stable as His family was so poor. You can criticize us but not Him, as He died on a cross and resurrected to save with His love communists and vourself. officer." The communist remained dumb in amazement at Wurmbrand's words. (Visky Ferenc jr. "Prisoners of Hope" in Romanian) Visky's large family continues in Romania his Christian legacy. Prav for them!