SOME FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS REGARDING MY RECENT VISIT TO POLAND AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA

(In May and early June Dr. Reed was behind the iron curtain with doctors who are united with us in the Spirit.)

1. The United Brethren Church is the church of all non-catholic believers who have agreed to come under the communist government program.
2. The head of the United Brethren Church is a Methodist who does not favor or believe in the Pentecost move.
3. The underground church is comprised of those believers who will not agree to submit to communist surveillance. Many of these people have had the baptism of the Holy Spirit.
4. Poland is a land of 33,000,000 people. Its several medical schools will graduate around 3,000 doctors this year. One medical school has 600 students in its senior class this year.
5. Doctors' salaries in Poland amount to about $200.00 per month.
6. The only physicians allowed some private practice are communist party members. (To be a "capitalist" in Poland one must be a communist). To become a communist one must also become an atheist.
7. In Poland every physician must first be a general practitioner and then may specialize.
8. Only psychiatrists treat mentally ill patients in Poland. (Not psychologists or counselors or family doctors, etc.)
9. The major problem in the world today medically speaking, according to a Christian Polish psychiatrist, is the world moral problem of abortion. She recommends the book by Henri van Straelen, a Dutch physician, "Die grosse Entscheidung".
10. Most Polish physicians are women.
11. Polish patients can be visited by Catholic priests and can be prayed for in the hospitals. I do not know about Protestant ministers. No minister can visit patients in the hospitals of Czechoslovakia.
12. In Poland most of the many posters seen proclaim "Polkoj" (Peace). This means that since Russia defeated the United States in Viet Nam there is world peace.
13. In Czechoslovakia the posters indicate "30 Years of Progress" (since 1945, the end of World War II when the United States drew back and gave this Christian nation to communism.)
14. In Czechoslovakia there are many loud-speakers to be seen which since 1968 proclaim frequently the propaganda of the day. (Brainwashing).
15. There are no Jews in Poland or Czechoslovakia. Synagogues are falling into ruin in Leginca and Trencin--as well as elsewhere.
16. There is no liberty or personal incentive behind the iron curtain.
17. All business is controlled by the government.
18. Poland and Czechoslovakia are under Russian armed occupation.
19. Automobiles are not common, must be bought for cash. Most people walk much more than in the USA. Street cars are still used in larger cities. Steam locomotives are still seen frequently rather than diesels. High rise apartments do not have elevators.
20. Heating is often by coal. In one city we visited coal is delivered by horse and wagon.
21. Horse and wagon is a common mode of transportation.
22. One sees inebriated men (not women) quite frequently in Poland and Czechoslovakia. In these nations alcoholism is a product of frustration and lack of incentive and hope. Vodka is manufactured by the government, sold by the government, distributed by the government and the profits go to the government. It is this way with all manufactured products. There are few stores. In one large city we found only one restaurant where we could be served.
23. Poland and Czechoslovakia are busy, energetic productive nations with no delinquency, no crime, no rapes, no fear in walking down the streets, no drug problems, no youth culture, no strikes, no radicalism. There is no dissent. Such conditions can exist in a "police state".
24. Medical doctors are eager for the Gospel in the Eastern countries. Many are actually more open to Jesus and His Holy Spirit than the physicians of America. One physician said at our gathering, "things may get worse with us here rather than better. Who knows if we can gather together like this again?" As he said this, I looked at our translator, Joseph, a Jewish Christian violinist whom I truly grew to love in the Lord. I thought how much he and thousands of others--Jews and Christians--everyone had suffered in Poland since 1940. He was holding his head affirmatively.
25. He looked at me--deeply--into my eyes. A knowing--soft--prophetic look. He seemed to know--something is coming--truly coming. Are these few lights going out, I thought? How long do we have?
MONTHLY HAPPENINGS NOTICE

CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL, INC.        AUGUST 1975
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DAILY PRAYERS 1 PM in the Christian Medical Foundation Chapel. Everyone invited.

MONDAY - Every Monday - 6:30 AM. Men's Prayer Breakfast at CMF House. No reservations necessary. COME!

TUESDAY - Every Tuesday - 10 AM. Ladies' Bible Study and Sandwich Luncheon. Bring a sandwich, please! Kay is now teaching Luke's Gospel. 1 PM - The Clinical Correlation of the Gospel - Dr. Reed. 2 PM - Healing Service.

THURSDAY - SATURDAY - Aug. 7-9. Dr. Reed and Kay at the Episcopal Charismatic Fellowship Conference, St. Michael and All Angels Church, 940 St. Michael Blvd., Evansville, Ind. 47715. Dr. Reed will be lecturing and conducting workshops on Christian Healing.

FRIDAY - Aug. 15 - 8 PM. St. Petersburg CMF Station Meeting at St. Petersburg Federal Savings & Loan, 83rd Ave. at 9th St., St. Petersburg, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking.

SATURDAY - Aug. 16 - 8 AM. Plant City CMF Station Meeting at Johnson's Restaurant, Plant City, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking.

SATURDAY - Aug. 16 - 7:30 PM. Tampa CMF Station Meeting at CMF House, 4821 Memorial Highway, Tampa, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY - Aug. 21, 22 - Dr. Reed and Kay at Healing Mission, St. John's Episcopal Church, 1709 Bermuda Ave., Kissimmee, Fla. 32741. Contact The Rev. Frank Baltz, Phone 305/847-2009.

FRIDAY - Aug. 22 - 7:45 PM. Orlando CMF Station Meeting at Dover Shores Branch of First Federal Savings & Loan, 3212 Curry Ford Road, Orlando, FLA. For information call 305/764-7467, 445-2511 or 894-6150 and not First Federal Savings & Loan. Dr. Reed speaking.

SATURDAY - Aug. 23 - 7:30 PM. Daytona CMF Station Meeting at Holy Trinity-by-The-Sea, North Grandview at Ora, Daytona Beach, Fla. Call Father David Dillon, Jr., Phone 904/252-8997. Dr. Reed speaking.

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OCTOBER 2-5, 1975--Third Annual Physicians' Conference on Logo-Psychosomatic Medicine - The Treatment of the Whole Person. At CMF Center and Host Airport Hotel, Tampa, Fla. All physicians and wives invited!!!!!!

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MEN AND BOYS, YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE!! We would like to extend a special invitation to you to attend one of our weekly activities here at CMF - the PRAYER BREAKFAST at 6:30 AM each Monday. Come, join us in a time of prayer and a delicious breakfast. This is a wonderful way to begin your week!

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FINANCIAL CORNER: Praise God! Bills are coming in from work ordered by our contractor, Mr. Reese. To us this is tangible evidence that the vision of Bethesda is becoming a reality. We are building for Jesus and He will provide. Is Jesus asking you to be a part of the Bethesda vision?

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