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"Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." Psalm 90:12

Dear Friends,

A very blessed New Year to you. In 2015 we celebrate our 24th year of encouraging, equipping and enabling Advocates globally. We are excited to see how God will use the Global Resource Teams and greatly encouraged to continue to engage advocates, young and old, to serve the Body of Christ and see the Gospel proclaimed. We are also pleased to celebrate another significant milestone.

A little more than two decades ago, when we were both much younger, I met Latchezar Popov for the first time. It was October 1994 and I was in the first few months of working for Advocates International. Sam Ericsson invited Latcho to attend the CLS National Conference with the AI staff that year. That was the beginning of a friendship that is a blessing to me personally.

Several months after that visit to the USA, the Rule of Law Institute in Sofia, Bulgaria (RLI) was established and this coming year will celebrate its 20th Anniversary. Throughout the coming year, we plan "to number our days aright" and share with you some of the accomplishments of the RLI.

2015 Plans

This coming year is already shaping up to be full of opportunities to fulfill our mission. In **February**, we will join our colleagues at the 13th European Religious Liberty Forum in Istanbul. In **March**, I will represent AI at the Global Kingdom Partnership Network in Miami, and at the Religious Liberty Partnership Consultation in Bangkok, while Ruth Ross will join our colleagues in Colombia for a Christian lawyers' conference in Santa Marta.

In **August**, the Global Council will meet together and encourage our colleagues at the 11th Advocates Africa Conference in Cape Town. In **September**, we will join our colleagues from across Latin America at FIAJC's 11th CLAC in San Salvador, El Salvador. *Christ und Jurist* will hold its first Student Institute in Germany and CLF's National Conference will be in Ontario. In **October** or **November**, the Christian Legal Association of India will host the 14th Advocates Asia Conference.

Thanks again for your continued support. With your prayers, we gain hearts of wisdom as we number our days aright. We pray that this coming year will be the same for you.

May the Lord bless and keep you in His perfect . . .

Grace and Peace,



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