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Insects in Your Food

The EU has, like most people are aware, given its permission for insects to be used in many food stuffs. This makes it imperative that we carefully examine content labels.

The following insects are used as ingredients in many food stuffs: Larvae, yellow mealworms, cockroaches, grasshoppers, beetles, buffalo worms... and we may be certain that more insects will be added along the way to the menu and be included in food stuffs.

You should, therefore, carefully study the make-up of food products, to avoid eating insects. EU politicians claim it is safe to consume these insects. Now that the EU has said it, Norway's current Prime Minister, Jonas Gahr Støre, has also added his voice to eating insects. However, we doubt they themselves eat insects daily, but are now asking others to do so. They will, more likely, want their usual steak and potatoes, with brown sauce and some vegetables.

However, we dare not rely on politicians and their decisions. From the Word of God we gather this information: «And



every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth shall be an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon all four, or whatsoever hath more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them shall ye not eat; for they are an abomination.

Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled there.

For I am the LORD your God; ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy; neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God; ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

This is the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth. To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten.» Leviticus 11:41-47.

Here Follow Some Stories from the Missions Field:

Germany and Switzerland

Henrik and me (Lena) have decided to print 50,000 booklets (The Struggle behind the Scenes). In case those in Austria desire more copies, there are enough for them also. We are sharing the outlays. I have informed Benjamin that he can start printing.

Comment: Imagine these people paying the entire print-run and the cost of transportation. This is an encouraging development, but we cannot count on this in Africa.

Uganda

We praise God that we are still alive. We were attacked by malaria and typhoid fever, and were seriously ill for 20 days and nights. (Comment: The combination of malaria and typhoid fever can be deadly. Typhoid fever is an infectious disease, some signs of which are fever, head ache, drowsiness, insomnia and thirst, as well as diarrhoea and bleedings of the intestines.) As soon as I was well again, we began visiting people in the area we had been to before I got sick. We experienced the Holy Spirit working on the people through the word. Now we have – thanks to the grace of God – established (planted)

four (4) basic new churches, and the new members are persons that were led to the faith through the message they read in the booklets, *The Struggle behind the Scenes*, and *The Protest is Not Over...*

At Kyabikuha we have established a small congregation consisting of five (5) families, one of which used to visit the Catholic Church, and another the Anglican Church. The other church established is situated in Nyambowe. It consists of seven (7) families.



We met a man, who used to be a Christian. He had started drinking alcohol, and had lost his relationship with God. We were happy when he told us he had decided to follow Jesus, after reading *The Struggle behind the Scenes*.

At Kyabikuha we asked the leaders of the area if they would assist us in finding a property, in which to launch a congregation. One of the leaders was happy to help, and he gave us part of

his property, without charging us a cent. Now church members meet there every Sabbath and other days of the week for Bible study together. The two (2) other congregations have been established in Bitahura and Mukasonda.

Thanks a lot for the work you and Bente are putting in. When I watched the video you sent us (*Natur og Misjon, Del 1-4*), it made a deep impression on me, and I praised the Lord. Your method of work we are also using in part in the villages and out in the country.

We were sad to be informed of the closure of your bank account in Norway, but we should expect things like this happening now in the end of time. God, though, is going to help you to work in a way, of which you may not be aware. We shall go on praying for your mission, it having expanded the Kingdom of God in many countries.

Here in Uganda finding sponsors for printing literature is no simple matter. However, we have plenty of volunteers who love taking part in the distribution of these booklets. Now, we are putting all in God's hands, and He will not let us down.

I have accepted into my custody two (2) young girls hailing from a Muslim family.



They are the daughters of an imam by the name of Twaha Mostafa, who is the head of a mosque at Kitehe. The elder sister is 17 years, and her name is Zahara. The younger is 14 years, and her name is Kakubho Hidaiah. When we visited several schools in 2022, these two sisters were also given the booklet we were handing out. Having read the booklet, they decided to follow Jesus Christ. However, their father has chased them away, and they are now living with us. Our prayer at the moment is that God may give them courage and peace, it not being an easy thing to be persecuted.

We are now going to visit some high schools, and we are asking for God's protection during our calls on them, so that they may be made aware of the message of the Bible.

Now I wish to thank you for all your support. May God's blessing rest upon

you and upon all who have donated funds to *Christian Information Service* – means that are also coming our way!

Warm regards from me and my dear wife Yvonne.

New Letter on March 6th, 2023

Good evening, brother Abel. I hope all is well with you! We are just fine, and we are doing our best to bring God's Word to the people here. We are currently busy visiting people and organising them into small groups, allowing us to gather for Bible study. We usually gather the folk beneath trees giving shade, or under a tarpaulin. Their love of truth amazes us.



We intend to visit huts and dwellings in the countryside, public transport being better and faster there than in the towns and cities. That is why the booklet, *The Struggle behind the Scenes* in the Rutooro language is preferable to



us. I have contacted a printer's, and was told we will be required to pay 0.35 USD (dollars) for each copy, if they were to print 10,000 copies. Copies would be somewhat cheaper, were they to print 20,000.

May God Almighty be with you and with all your friends!

USA

Hello, Abel and Bente! We wish to send you God's love and blessing plus lots of prayers. Stay faithful. God is with you. We love hearing stories of how the truth is reaching people in many different nations. We know whom you are co-operating with in Kenya, because they are also our friends, and we

love them. You are dearly beloved, too! May God richly bless you!

Kenya

We have so far baptised 39 persons in Lake Victoria. Half of these dear souls were won for the faith of the Bible because of our booklets which our full-time workers are handing out, the chief ones of which are the booklets, *The*



Struggle behind the Scenes and *National Sunday Law*, and others. So many individuals, both in various churches and in different countries, are studying the booklets we are distributing, and they are also enthusiastically sharing the booklets with others.

We watched the Norwegian video, LIVET PÅ LANDET (The life on the countryside) and we were all greatly blessed.

Finally, we wish to encourage you to continue praying for additional contributions to the mission, ensuring that we, too, will share in this good, being able to purchase more paper, and for more booklets to be printed!

Tanzania

I have been a Catholic all my wife, and have been ready to die for my faith. However, having read your booklet, I have decided to keep holy the Sabbath with fellow believers here in Tanzania. I hope you will be able to continue the good work you are doing in promoting the return of Jesus.

Bank Account

Several people have had difficulty remitting funds to our Danish account. However, when logging into your online bank, please click on Payments and then on Overseas Payments. Contributions to

our mission may be sent to: **Bank:** Nykredit. **Address:** Kalvebod Brygge 1-3, DK-1780 København V, Denmark. **The account number is registered by:** Kristen Informasjonstjeneste, Veststrumsbygda 26, N-2879 Odnnes, Norway.

Those living outside Denmark must use an IBAN number instead of a banking number. Here is the **IBAN number:** DK8781170004676453. If you live outside Denmark, you are also required to type a **SWIFT** (or **BIC**) **number**, and here it is: NYKBDKXX

We thank God for all He has done for us, for all nice things and rich experiences. Moreover, we also thank all of you praying for us and our mission, and who want to support us with monetary contributions! This way, you participate in spreading the message of the Bible to many parts of the world!

Warm regards and thanks from the two of us,

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