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Reliquary bust of Charlemagne wearing the Imperial Crown of the Holy Roman Empire in Aachen Cathedral, with the German Eagle embossed on the metal and the French fleur-de-lis embroidered on the fabric demonstrate the idea of Germany and France united by the Charlemagne vision.¹

Dear Friends and Fellow Laborers,

The world we see tomorrow will not look like the world we see today. The geopolitics of this earth are changing rapidly. The EU is on the edge of collapse. What replaces this dream of a new Europe of peace and cooperation between the many nationalities and languages of Europe appears to be failing to materialize. Tomorrow's Europe will not look like today's Europe.

European Parliament President Martin Schulz warned that "the collapse of the European Union is a realistic scenario."²

¹ All photos courtesy of Wikimedia Commons

² Nationalism, Populism and the Collapse of the EU, **Stratfor**, April 27, 2012

Herrman Van Rumpuy, EU Council President, said in a recent speech that the "'winds of populism' are threatening the open borders of Europe."³

The vision of a Europe that recaptures the glory days of Charlemagne, or the Holy Roman Empire, is cracking. The two leaders who have been forcefully spearheading the push to fulfill the vision have their own troubles. France's President Nicolas Sarkozy was recently defeated by the head of the French Socialist Party Francois Hollande. Hollande gained electoral favor by advocating populist policies while Sarkozy advocates austerity and fiscal responsibility.

Angela Merkel, the Chancellor of Germany, also is a champion of tightening the belt for all participants in the European Union experiment, especially Greece, Italy, and Spain. The Germans have the strongest economy and control the biggest banks. The Germans are well known for their conservatism and are not interested in financing the irresponsible excesses of their above referenced southern partners, such as Greece, Italy, and Spain. Merkel is popular in Germany because of her hard-line stand on financial bailouts of irresponsible members. But she is under attack from the Green Party and others. No one wants to hear about fiscal responsibility and austerity, especially those on the public dole. They only want more goodies handed to them. Hence, we see the rise of the French Socialists to power. Europe is caught in the snare of an emerging entitlement society growing in power, much like their nearly bankrupt cousin across the Atlantic—the United States of America.



Map of Charlemagne's Empire. Both France and Germany claim Charlemagne as Father of their nation.

The "entitlement-mongers" in Europe want their cake and eat it too; and are willing to riot in the streets to get it. Germany and France are losing their grip on the vision of a united Europe with the modern legacy of Charlemagne (Germany and France) at the helm. What comes next is not clear.

³ Ibid.

Bible prophecy tells us that a growing power to the north of modern Israel will coalesce to bring a great army under a powerful leader (the prophetic King of the North) into the Middle East. This King of the North will challenge the power of a prophetic King of the South with control of east Jerusalem at the center of the conflict (See **Daniel 11:40**). If you are a baby boomer like I am, you will probably live to see this happen.

Of course, few see prophecy unfolding because few read Daniel or believe it if they do read it. God is under attack in America. Those of the liberal, entitlement generation have forgotten what God has given the American people—AND the Europeans for that matter! And they really don't want to hear about it. Others are just hiding their heads in the sand.

Jesus said that the time near His second coming would be like the days of Noah, with people eating and drinking and marrying as if nothing was wrong (**Matthew 24:38**). The world around us can pretend nothing is wrong, but God's people can ill afford to pretend all will be OK. God warns us for a reason. He gives us understanding of the prophecies of His Bible for a reason. And that reason is NOT to go along as if nothing is wrong.

Europe is in trouble. Britain is in trouble. America is in trouble. And God—the one who can save us—is not only being forgotten, but being viciously attacked. Who will warn our people of the punishment to come? Elijah the Prophet? Will it be left to two witnesses? Maybe three angels? No, I am afraid that the responsibility belongs to us. We see what is going on and understand it's prophetic implications. Someone must tell our brothers and sisters what is coming.

Ezekiel 33:3-6

If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people; Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul. But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.

While others ignore the warning signs and continue to eat their cake, we cannot afford to hide in our safe haven of God's Grace. We have a God-ordained collective job to do. Let's be about our Father's business and get it done.

The Gospel must be preached. Included in that Gospel message must be a call to repentance. Repentance is part of the Gospel message.

Mark 1:14-15

Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Jesus cried out for His people to repent. And so must we. It grows increasingly darker. God's people must harvest while it is still day. The darkness is coming quickly when we will not be able to work.

FEAST OF TABERNACLES IN CHIANG MAI

We are finalizing plans for the Feast of Tabernacles in Chiang Mai, Thailand. I have included my letter to interested Feast-goers with this Legacy Letter mailing. It gives general costs and talks a bit about our program this year. Now most of our Karen brethren live near us in Chiang Mai, so it is no longer necessary to have a Feast site near the border. Nearly all will be able to attend Festival services together with Western guests at our regular facility—the Empress Hotel. We will be offering the traditional elephant ride through the jungle, a visit to one of Queen Sirikit's projects, plus special tours of a traditional umbrella factory and a wood carving and handicraft workshop to see skilled craftsmen at work. There are lots of things to do and see and the experience of an exotic culture to absorb. Learn more by reading the included letter.

NEW SCHOOL YEAR SOON TO BEGIN

We are getting ready to start our new school year at the Legacy Leadership Training Center. We have two new volunteer teachers arriving soon: Tristan Ruml and Hanna Reisdorff. Abigail Syltie and Nathan Albright are already here and preparing for the new year. Erika Pedersen (our five-year

veteran) and Austin Mengels will be moving on to bigger and better things. We will miss the contribution they have made to the lives of the young hill people who study at Legacy.



Hanna Reisdorff

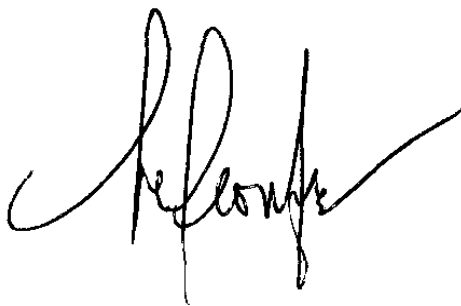


Tristan Ruml

We still need help with bringing three young people from Burma to study at Legacy. We are presently getting their passports issued by the Burmese government. If all goes well, their education in the Bible doctrines of Christ, English language, and leadership training at Legacy will serve the church well when they return to Burma. We have no idea whether or not God will choose them for any kind of ministerial position in the future. That is up to Jesus Christ Himself who chooses His own servants. But we desperately need leaders among the new church members in Burma. They are coming to Christ, but there is no one to feed them. We do our best with letters and translated material. But nothing can compare with a humble, and Bible educated shepherd in place to regularly feed the sheep.

Please pray that all goes well and they arrive in time to begin classes.

Serving the King of Kings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Leon Sexton'.

T. Leon Sexton