



2014 MISSION TO ROMANIA

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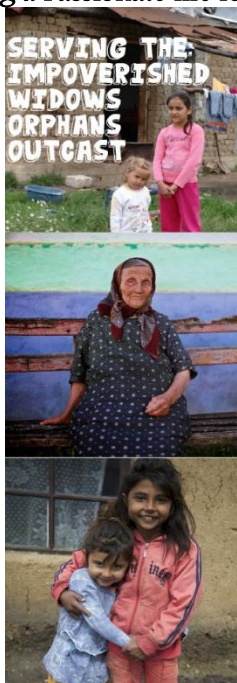
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- Food
- Travel Fees



Mission Trip 2014

Belief in Motion ~ Project 127 Romania

Living a Passionate life for Christ is putting your Belief in Motion



**COME TO ROMANIA
SUMMER 2014**

**STUDY JAMES
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**PUT YOUR
BELIEF IN MOTION**

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Project 127 - Romania

Religion that is pure and undefiled before
God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans
and widows in their affliction, and to keep
oneself unstained from the world.

James 1:27



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Dear Mission Trip Member,

We are so excited that God has led you to come to Romania to serve HIM on mission. Our prayer is that this is more than a trip, but an opportunity that God uses so that you will never be the same in HIM.

This packet has been developed to help you get ready for the trip spiritually, logistically, and financially. We are humbled to serve a Holy God and feel blessed to share His Gospel throughout the world. We cannot wait to share with you, in person, what God is doing for HIS glory in Romania. Our prayer is that God will send people here that are passionate about God, willing to expand their view of Him, ready to be used through the Holy Spirit's leading, and prayerful in all that they do.

We have outlined a process for coming on a trip to Romania along with some general details in this packet.

If you are coming with a group, **please designate one person as the contact person.** Individuals coming alone may work directly with Robin Bruski, <mailto:bruskiromania@msn.com>.

Once your trip has been confirmed, you will receive information that pertains specifically to your time in Romania. This initial packet contains general information for all mission trips.

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments throughout this process. We anxiously await and are in prayer for your time in Romania.

For HIS Glory,

Aaron & Robin Bruski

*Aaron and Robin Bruski
Project 127 - Romania
Belief In Motion*

NEW

- All money for mission trips is to be submitted to your team leader, local church or organization, and **one check** is to be mailed to Belief in Motion.
- **\$250.00 non-refundable deposit** per person is due 6 months before mission trip date, along with FULL NAMES of each traveler and passport #.

THIS

- We anticipate **more construction projects** this summer, so if you want to be more focused on construction, please let us know.
- **"JOHN" Ministry** - This year we would like to build outhouses for families. INTERESTED?? please let me know, so we can plan accordingly.

YEAR

- We have had some express interest in a more **"rustic" - "primitive" mission's trip. IS THAT YOU?** If so, please email me and let me know. We have some thoughts, but we must know the interest. It "may be" possible to spend a few days in tents in a village.

\$250.00
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\$1000 due 3
months prior to
mission's trip

\$1000 due 4
weeks
before
departure



Send out support letters to family and friends. Write personal letters explaining how the Lord has called you to Romania for a mission trip, your opportunities to serve and the opportunity for them to be a vital part in sending you.



Flower fund raiser- sell carnations and deliver them on February 10th.
Valentines dinner fundraiser, (dinner and a movie)



<http://www.gofundme.com/fundraising-ideas/>

Parent's night out
(babysitting at the church)



http://www.charitychallenge.com/pdf/a-z_fundraising_ideas.pdf

*We don't support all the ideas, but you can get some good ones... 😊



**"DiScIPLiNing iS NOT A CALL
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HEAR THE GOSPEL BUT A COMMAND
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THE GOSPEL." -DAVID PLATT**

**FOR THOSE "NOT FEELiNG
CALLED"**

**OSWALD CHAMBERS iN MY
UTMOST FOR HiS HiGHEST.
WRiTES BELOW...**

"I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?' Then I said, 'Here am I! Send me' " ([Isaiah 6:8](#) ^L). God did not direct His call to Isaiah—Isaiah overheard God saying, "who will go for Us?" The call of God is not just for a select few but for everyone. Whether I hear God's call or not depends on the condition of my ears, and exactly what I hear depends upon my spiritual attitude. "Many are called, but few are chosen" ([Matthew 22:14](#) ^L). That is, few prove that they are the chosen ones. The chosen ones are those who have come into a relationship with God through Jesus Christ and have had their spiritual condition changed and their ears opened. Then they hear "the voice of the Lord" continually asking, " who will go for Us?" However, God doesn't single out someone and say, "Now, you go." He did not force His will on Isaiah. Isaiah was in the presence of God, and he overheard the call. His response, performed in complete freedom, could only be to say, "Here am I! Send me."

Remove the thought from your mind of expecting God to come to force you or to plead with you. When our Lord called His disciples, He did it without irresistible pressure from the outside. The quiet, yet passionate, insistence of His "Follow Me" was spoken to men whose every sense was receptive ([Matthew 4:19](#)). If we will allow the Holy Spirit to bring us face to face with God, we too will hear what Isaiah heard—"the voice of the Lord." In perfect freedom we too will say, "Here am I! Send me."



“You Are NOT a Tourist” Agreement

Tourists are usually self-centered. They have come to get their money’s worth in sights and sounds. They want to be comfortable and pampered. You are a missionary! You represent the King of Kings. You should act like Jesus did when He “became a servant” to lead men and women to His Father. Humble yourself. You have traveled to Romania to serve – not to be served; to love – not to be loved; and to be humble – not to exalt yourself. Romanians will automatically think of you as a missionary. They expect the same conduct and witness from you as they do a long-term missionary. You are a guest. Be grateful and be appreciative. Don’t complain. Look for opportunities to help, no matter how menial the task.

Avoid a superior attitude. Do not talk about how great things are in the U.S. Assume that Romanians have figured out the best way of doing things from the options available to them. Avoid saying, “You should do it this way;” That works at home, likely is not available in Romania or doesn’t work in their culture. Understand that legal processes take a long time and things just aren’t ran the same way as in the states. Remember, your comments to your team members can be heard by Romanians. Some people will understand more English than you think. Do not judge the way the people live, for example, many do not have access to running water so they may not be clean. Love them like Jesus loved the leper, grab their hand, hug them, hold them, kiss them and do not be afraid of germs or catching something from them. They are people and Christ loves them and you should love them too no matter their conditions.

Work hard to understand the culture. Ask questions. Be outgoing. Be appreciative of the time the Romanians give you. There is a lot to learn from the people of Romania!

In addition, do not judge the way that the long-term missionaries are doing things. They have been doing this for some time now, and they know the best way of doing things because of their understanding of the culture and resources available to them. Instead, encourage them in their work. Missionary life is difficult and lonely. Make the most of the time you have with them and work *with* them not *against* them. Pray for them and help them out by going the extra mile for them.

Some More Considerations:

- ☐ Americans tend to be loud. When you board the plane to Romania you need to be aware of this. While in Romania, during your flights and layovers you will be need to remember to be keep your volume down. Romanians are a quiet people and you should speak softly and courteously.
- ☐ Learn as much Romanian as you can and use it every chance you get. Romanians love for you to try to speak their language.
- ☐ Romanians greet each other with an “air” kiss on each cheek.
- ☐ Be prepared for worship services that are very different from those you are accustomed.
- ☐ Be sensitive when taking photos – you do not want to humiliate them. Also, you can NOT take pictures of government buildings or orphans, who are in the government system.
- ☐ Do not waste water or food.
- ☐ Water is a privilege in Romania and very expensive. Be courteous and take short quick showers, also be aware that sometimes the water may be turned off and you may have to go without a shower. Remember you are a missionary not a tourist and sometimes modern conveniences are inconvenient.

I, _____ (print name), understand and agree to the mentioned above. I understand that I am not a “tourist,” but I am a follower of Christ and will love as Christ loves.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Romania



<http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/europe/ro.htm>

You will be staying near **Oradea, Romania**, which is just over the Hungarian border on the western side of the country. Oradea is the 5th largest city in Romania and is home to more than 250,000 people. The city is quite modern and is very safe.

We will spend much of our time ministering and working in nearby villages and some in the city. There is a distinct difference between the city and the village life. The villages are VERY rural; most homes do not have indoor plumbing and some do not have electricity. The people typically live off the land and do most of the work by hand. Many live on less than \$1.00 per day. The City is quite modern and even has 2 McDonalds. Many residents live in apartment buildings that are gray and somewhat dreary and leave a reminder of communism.

Romania was under the rule of communism until 1989. Romania joined the European Union in 2007 creating new laws and more freedoms for the Romanian people. The remnants of communism are still visible and the long lasting effects still linger in many lives today.

During the communist regime, the state mandate religion was Greek Orthodox, which was put into place as a way to govern/control the people. Every village has a large Orthodox church that was placed during the communist days. The church is rich in "tradition" and the basis of the teaching is works based. We focus on "relationship" with Jesus, not religion. Our mission statement is also our life statement—making purposeful relationships to share JESUS!



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Belief in Motion / Project 127

Belief in Motion exists to glorify God by initiating purposeful relationships so that we can share Christ; anticipating the Holy Spirit's drawing to impact souls for eternity and igniting a passion in individuals to live unto the Lord alone!

Belief in Motion was established in 2006, but made "official" in 2007. We are a nonprofit organization in the United States and in Romania.

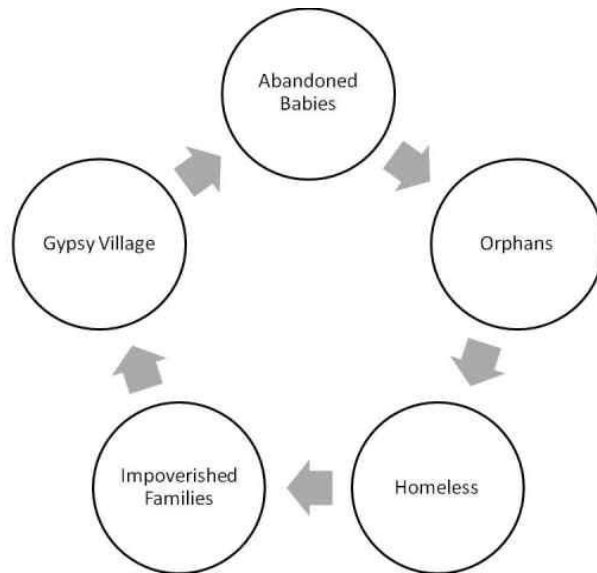
Belief in Motion was created as a sending unit for people that feel called to spread the gospel to the uttermost parts of the world. BIM consists of 10 godly board members with a purpose and passion to put their "belief in motion", and are committed to praying for the nations to come to Christ and to see HIM glorified all over the world.

Project 127 is a non-profit ministry formed in Romania founded on the Bible verse, James 1:27. Project 127 is committed to seeing Christ glorified in breaking the sin cycle that is so prevalent; abandoned, orphaned, homeless, and impoverished.

Current projects include working with:

- Abandoned
- Orphaned
- Homeless
- Impoverished
- Roma "Gypsy" Villages

As we began working with each individual ministry, we quickly realized the vicious cycle that many were trapped in.



Impoverished families often abandon their babies due to their poor living conditions. At the age of 2 these babies were put into orphanages. Most of the institutions were abusive and not a good place for any child. At the age of 18 many were thrown out with no family or education, leaving them homeless. Some did go back to their villages and continued to live in poverty, but many ended up on the streets of the city. Many ended up with unwanted pregnancies; starting the cycle over again. Our prayer is to be used of God to help break this cycle and to bring Glory to HIM!

We see this repetitive cycle in our 3 areas of ministry, but we are seeing God do incredible things in breaking these cycles.

- **City**
 - Orphans and Government orphanage, Gov. Minor Center, Gov. Maternity Center, Gov. Transition home for older orphans, Government Housing and Homeless
- **Romanian Villages**
 - Impoverished Romanian families living in extreme rural conditions
- **Roma Villages/Gypsy Villages**
 - 3 Gypsy Villages—Extreme Poverty, Feeding Programs, Church Planting, Discipleship, Future Christian Preschool and After school programs



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Practical Information

Romania Info:

Location

We work in the city of Oradea and nearby villages, including Sintelec, Cherechiu, Salacea, Topa de Sus, and others

Temperatures

Winter—December- February, avg. temp 28-30 degrees F
Summer – June--warm, July--Hot, August--warm up to 100 degrees in July
Spring/Fall- mild temperatures, cool evenings and nights

Conditions

You will be comfortable and safe. Although you may miss some of the modern conveniences you have grown accustomed to, you will be comfortable. We do not have air conditioning, but neither do 99.9% of the people in Romania. We do have a wood heat system for winter and it is adequate. You will have to dress in layers in the winter/spring months. We do have showers in the city, but not in the villages. The water system is a “privilege” not always a guarantee. There may be a morning that the water is turned off in the city. **Just come with an open mind and heart to serve and ask yourself; “Can I be a little uncomfortable for a week or two to reach others who live in worse conditions everyday of their lives???”** Bring a good attitude and a “go with the flow”, make the best of it--mindset and you will have the time of your life!!! ...FOR HIS GLORY!

Dates:

Recommended Length

Avg. stay 7 days – 14 days

If you would like to stay longer than 2 weeks, you will need to complete additional paperwork and be approved. Please coordinate the best dates for your group as soon as possible with the mission trip coordinator.

Travel:

Airfare

We will give you a total price for the mission trip, including airfare, van transportation, to and from the airport in Budapest, lodging and food. Please email, Robin @ bruskiromania@msn.com with dates and we will be happy to help. This will save a 3% charge that is often added to airline tickets. Of course, you are welcome to purchase your airline tickets separately, just let us know and we can compare prices.

Van/Bus Ride

A bus will take you from the Budapest Airport, 4 hours, to Oradea, Romania where we will pick you up. The bus fee is \$50.00 each way; \$100.00 round trip. Gas is very expensive; over \$8.00 gallon.

Passport

You will need a passport, which may obtain a passport from:
http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html. You do not need a visa for a short term trip.
Please, file for passport ASAP due to long wait with US Government.
***NO VISA is required at this time.**

Luggage

Please check with your airline regarding specific luggage guidelines. Most people coming reserve at least one bag for ministry supplies; Some items to consider bringing for others are: toys, craft/vbs items, medical supplies, hygiene items for others, vitamins for children / adults, dollar store items, or anything else to bless others with.

Vaccinations

At this time there are no required vaccinations, but you may look at
<http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel/default.aspx> for other travel recommendations.

Medical Insurance

Please check with your insurance provider regarding coverage in other countries.

Cost:

Mission Trip

Everything will be included: Airfare, Lodging, Food, and Transportation expenses to and from the airport. **Prices may vary depending on the time of your trip, but our goal is to offer the lowest cost to you, but plan on about \$2,250 due to the ever increasing price of the Euro.**

Ministry Expenses

Beliefs in Motion has a budget for ministry expenses, but if you would like to do anything beyond the normal routine, please help raise funds to support the additional ministry.

Personal Spending

Please bring money for any additional spending you may want to do. We have a snack shop at Matthew's Place and you may want snacks while on the road. (The gypsy village is about 1 hour from the city.) Feel free to bring snack items in your suit case from America or purchase snacks in Romania.

Payments

Please send in a \$250.00 non-refundable deposit for each member along with applications. Half of the total costs owed to Belief in Motion is due 3 months prior to the departure date and the other half of the costs is due 4 weeks prior to the departure date.
Please designate your checks "mission trip" with your name in the memo section, made payable to: Belief in Motion, mail checks to P.O. Box 2013, Loganville, GA 30052.
If you are traveling with a group, your "team leader" will collect your deposit and turn it into your church and they will mail ONE CHECK for the total deposits.

Food:

Many Romanians feel fortunate to eat 1 meal a day. We try not to be wasteful with food. We will have mostly American style food and a little Romanian food. We hope you will enjoy it and we will do our best find something you like. You are welcome to bring snacks too.

Breakfast

A breakfast buffet will be set up with coffee, tea and a variety of foods. French toast, eggs, cereal, and more.

Lunch

We pack sandwiches for our day out ministering, which consists of homemade bread with butter, a slice of turkey/ham, and vegetables.

Dinner

The food is very good, but may be a little different than what you would be served in the U.S. Be prepared to experience some Romanian style cooking.

Lodging:

– The Discipleship Center @ Matthew's Place

Dorm style sleeping arrangements for large groups
Snack shop will be open with lots of goodies and drinks.

Communication:

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, please call Aaron Bruski's cell phone directly at 01140762241934, and our home number is 01140359177103

Phone: You may have an app that allows you to make calls, but sometimes there is not a good signal.

Typical Daily Schedule:

This is a very rough guideline. Please remember to be FLEXIBLE. There are many things that come up and we follow the Holy Spirit's leading.

7:00-8:30 am	Personal quiet time, breakfast, get ready
9:00 am	Meet for group prayer, sandwich making, packing vehicles, etc.
10:00 am	Ministry
7:00 pm	Dinner
8:00 p.m	Free time
9:00 pm	Group Devotional, review next day
11:00 p.m.	Lights Out

Ministry Opportunities:

Daily Missionary Routine: This is the “normal” week in Romania for a full time missionary. You will have the opportunity to participate in each of these ministries. These ministries will continue while you are there, but you may be involved in something different, such as a construction project, Kids Club/VBS, Sports camps, etc.

Saturday

Arrive in Romania

Sunday

Church in Sinteleg/ Lunch /Afternoon Church with the minor center

Monday

Gypsy Village- Cherechiu Hungarian Gypsy Village, home visits to whole village/Bible studies/Kids Clubs

Tuesday

Home Visits to Romanian Families in Topa de Sus and surrounding area

7:00 p.m. Kids’ Club- Sinteleg

Wednesday

Sinteleg- Kids’ club & Ministry in village p.m. Minor Center, Gov. orphanage

Thursday

Sinteleg- Kids’ club & Ministry in village & Adapost – Refuge Center for abandoned & Neglected

Thursday p.m.- Youth Night/Church

Friday

Gypsy Village

Abandoned Babies

****We also have ongoing construction projects to take part in & Abandoned Babies to hold and work with**

Special Ministry Projects

Your group can come and lead one or more of the following. You will have the freedom to prepare all aspects of these projects in which we will be able to assist you via email.

Church, Bible Studies, Sports Camps, Kids’ Clubs, Kid’s Camp, Construction Projects, Medical Clinics, Dental Clinics, Street Ministry in the city, Evangelistic Crusades/Evening Worship Services

We encourage you to fast and pray. You can do this as a group or an individual. We can NOT put enough emphasis on this! There is much spiritual warfare and it is imperative that we all pray and fast!!

*****Also, due to STRICT regulations—NO photos are allowed in Government run facilities. We will let you know when you can and cannot photo.***



SPORTS EVANGELISM

BIM has begun a new Sports Evangelism Ministry. We offer opportunities to get involved in an organized soccer team to the kids who live in the orphanage along with many children from villages that do not have opportunity to play structured sports.

This is a great way to build relationships and spread the GOSPEL.

If you would like to be involved in Sports Ministry Evangelism, you will still have the opportunity to do some of the other mission's opportunities, but the majority of your time would be spent in sports camps, tournaments and outreach.

Sunday- Team Stays together

- Morning- Church
- Afternoon- Lunch- Sports, Activities, one on one time, Crafts about 30 kids

Monday-- Teams will stay together

- Gypsy Village- Hungarian Gypsy Village, home visits to whole village/Bible studies/Kids Clubs -- about 120 kids and 35 families/houses
- Needed: Crafts, you can order from Oriental trader or use your imagination. BE CREATIVE!
- We are VERY LIMITED on supplies here so make all your runs to Wal-Mart while you can
- **Candy—pack LOTS of candy! ALSO, Cereal bars/Nutrition bars. Remember, most of these children will not have eaten, or if they have it may have been only bread.**
- Teachers for Children, Drama, Puppets, singing... PLEASE come prepared.
We have puppets here, we don't have too many costumes, but we can become resourceful with towels and sheets... LOL

Tuesday-- teams may divide and do construction

- Home Visits to Romanian Families -- 6 families with about 20 kids...
- **Needed: someone to teach bible study in each home. maybe 10-15 minutes**
- also, there are lots of kids on home visits... so a craft and story is GOOD

Wednesday – Sintelec 40 kids in afterschool program & Minor Center- 20+/- teens

Thursday – Sintelec - Teens 30+/- & Adapost Orphanage – 20 +/- children

- Kids Clubs, Games, Crafts, TEACHING, worship

Friday-

- Gypsy Village 150+/- Kids
- Afternoon: out to Pizza

Saturday—Depart

Expect to teach about 350+/- kids this week.

Make sure you bring enough CANDY, Snacks and crafts and the supplies you need.

You can divide up easier crafts for larger groups, not all crafts need to be the same, for example you may want something easy for Gypsy Village when there are 100 kids, but something more challenging for the smaller groups with 20 kids

ALSO,

- Soccer balls
- Treasure chest items.. trinkets and such
- Face paint
- Tattoos
- Acrylic Paints

Bring anything for games... you will have a "sports center" at every Kids club... so please think ahead and bring what you need. Email me to ask if it is available here..

Be creative! The kids LOVE when you come!!!! This is what they look forward to.... most kids have little to no interaction with anyone outside of their rural, poor village.

It is IMPORTANT that you come prepared. Plan ahead..

PRAY & THINK through your ideas.



Each week during the summer will have an assigned, specific bible passage/bible character to teach. You will be responsible for teaching time, crafts, games and we will provide support and translation.

Once we have all the groups set, we will let you know your teaching schedule.

Kids club examples:

Centers: each center will last about 10-15 minutes

- Crafts
- Bible teaching
- Bible verse
- Sports
- Singing, Puppets, and teaching as a group



PLEASE Come prepared!!

Some great ideas from past trips...

- A simple drama- Someone can read a bible story/or tell a bible story- **BE SURE IT IS BIBLICALLY ACCURATE**—and have others acting out what is being read.
- Puppets. **THE KIDS LOVE PUPPETS!** We have **LOTS!** We just need you to put together the show. We have a CD player, so the puppets can “sing” a song also.
- **GAMES**—please come prepared to have group games. Relays are fun. We can divide the kids into 4 teams.
- Bible Verse. www.biblegateway.com you can translate any verse to Romanian, under versions
- Craft Center- Please be creative. Over the years we have done many “oriental trading” crafts, but now the kids have become a little more advanced and may be able to handle some things more challenging. So if you are crafty...here is your moment to shine! A few years back a group brought black t-shirts and glow in the dark paints.. that was a **BIG** hit!

"Not called!" did you say? "Not heard the call," I think you should say. Put your ear down to the Bible, and hear him bid you go and pull sinners out of the fire of sin. Put your ear down to the burdened, agonized heart of humanity, and listen to its pitiful wail for help. Go stand by the gates of hell, and hear the damned entreat you to go to their father's house and bid their brothers and sisters, and servants and masters not to come there. And then look Christ in the face, whose mercy you have professed to obey, and tell him whether you will join heart and soul and body and circumstances in the march to publish his mercy to the world.
William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army

*"It's amazing what can be accomplished if you don't worry about who gets the credit."
Clarence W. Jones*

***"HERE
AM I.
SEND
ME."
- ISAIAH***

***"HE MUST iNCREASE. BUT I MUST
DECREASE."
JOHN THE BAPTIST***

***"Today Christians spend more
money on dog food than missions"
- Leonard Ravenhill***

***"Answering a student's question,
'Will the heathen who have not heard
the Gospel be saved?' thus, 'It is more
a question with me whether we who
have the Gospel and fail to give it to
those who have not, can be saved.'"
- C.H. Spurgeon***

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