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Hi Erik.

I want to thank you for that last email you sent me.

1.

It is extremely kind of you to offer me to stay at your home. I would like to accept the offer but I am afraid that I would freeze to death in Denmark. It is winter here now and it is about the same temperature here as it is in Denmark right now.

I remember living in the SKOVFOGED HUS next to Hørret Skov and the windows were white with frost. I was always cold. Now, I would die there. My eldest son went there a couple of years ago and all he remembered was the cold. He has suggested to me that we all move to Queensland, about 1,000 Km North of here, so that we do not have to endure the winters here in Sydney. We are still talking about that. It will not be for a couple of years, because he has just enrolled in a University Course.

Another reason is that I could collapse at any time. For that reason, I am not allowed to drive a car at this time. I believe that this is not the time to travel to distant places.

Two years ago, I was fit and healthy. Then I had to have a CANCER operation. That caused all kinds of problems. First, I was supposed to be off work for 6 weeks. 6 months later, I was still off work. I went to Hospital 5 times in 6 months. They also damaged my heart. That is why I now have a pacemaker. I used to be a nurse and I know what goes on in operating rooms. They make mistakes and some people are incompetent. You get non permanent staff who do not care about the job. A successful operation is just as much luck as good management.

However, I have seen much of Denmark, via the Internet, I sometimes go for a 'drive' on Google Maps (streetview). I have been along many roads in Denmark, thanks to Google. It is more pretty now, than when I lived there.

2.

I also want to thank you for your offer to help me to make better websites. It appears that I will need FILEZILLA and WORDPRESS. I will get them when I get my new computer, which will also have Windows 8.1.

I began website building on Google because it was easy to get started. It was about February and I was feeling very mortal after all my operations. My two sons had no idea about my background. They knew that I came from Denmark, but they had no interest in or knowledge about Denmark.

I was the same, when I was their age. So I thought that they may become curious later. Well, if I was not here, they would never be able to find out. So, that is when I thought of a website. They could access that at any time in the future and find out about mine and their own background.

3.

My interest in solar power, etc., goes back to 1963. I spent a weekend browsing through a set of ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANICA. There were several articles on solar power. From that time, I was obsessed with solar power. I always failed to see why there was no interest in it. I could see why Photo Voltaic panels did not take off. They cost \$ thousand per panel. They were only used in outer space.

Hot water was another story. I talked to people about it and they laughed at me. Then, in 1977 I saw a hot water panel for sale. 10 years later, people were using them. Today, they are normal. Actually, they are simple to make. I know of people who just toss a coil of hose on to a roof and let it drain into a steel drum, with a bit of insulation around it. That costs nothing to make. You just use a bit of rubbish. It works well when there is no electricity available.

Now, with Photo Voltaic, Solar Thermal and Windmill generators, there is a bonanza of technologies to choose from.

As LED lights become available, we no longer need much electricity. Electricity is not suitable for heating or cooling. It is expensive. The heat comes direct from the Sun. It makes no sense to convert heat to electricity and then back again. That is where my invention of the mitigated house comes in. Though it is expensive to build, it

costs nothing to run. However, there is a payback period. After a few years, you are in front and from then on, it is all free. It is fully detailed on one of my websites.

I have thought about how to implement it in Denmark. The ground in Denmark (at about 7 m below the surface, where the temperature is the same all year round.) is about 10 degrees lower than it is in Sydney. That presents a problem. It is more difficult to heat a house in Denmark than it is in Sydney. However, there is an advantage. There is no need to cool the house in Denmark. It occurred to me that all the effort could then be concentrated on heating only.

With reference to my website, heating units could be added, until it is enough to heat the house to comfort level. As Karl Marx said : "The proof of the pudding is in it's eating". It is expensive to build underground tanks and it would be an advantage to build them all at the same time. The problem is to know how much capacity is required.

4.

Australia is now heading into 3rd world status. The new right wing government has cut education, health and welfare. They have removed greenhouse gas penalties and they have opened up the country to exploitation for large mining ventures such as coal, oil and gas. We will be paying world prices on our domestic market. They have taken away all government subsidies on solar power.

We will be entering a 10 year period of high energy prices. here, we make the world's cheapest electricity and it is sold for the world's highest prices. That is now set to increase further. Queensland is looking better all the time. Up there they grow crops all year round and they do not need to heat houses in the winter.

5.

A few years ago, I became interested in making contact with people from Denmark. It started with a chance encounter with Olaf Stær on the Internet. I eventually made contact with quite a few people. I was planning to come to Denmark for a trip. Then, I became ill. I had to go to Hospital and there were a few other problems. By the time that it was all over, I had lost all the contacts in Denmark. In the meantime, my mother went there (she came right through Maarslet, without even recognizing it). Later, my sister went there (she stayed in Beder). I was appalled at how little effort they had made to visit people from our family. Then my son went there, while I was in hospital. He had no idea where to go or who to see. He told me that he was disappointed with the place.

It would have been so simple to have made it interesting for him. I was disappointed because he was disappointed.

6.

Now that my mother is 90, I saw that as the last opportunity to correct a few bad moves. I must say that you have made that a lot easier for me than it would otherwise have been. Winter will be over in a month and we will again have a pleasant climate. I hope it is not going to be a hot summer. Last summer was good but the one before was a scorcher. I can barely believe now how hot it was. Not only did we have a hot summer, it was relentlessly hot, day and night. There were some exceptionally hot days. We had one day that was the hottest on record. Most of my garden died.

7.

I have been meaning to ask you two questions.

A. When did all the churches in Denmark become white ?

B. When was Odder Landevej pave with cobble stones (brosten), which were removed in 1955.

That is all part of my interest in history.

8.

I thank you again for your offer and also for all your help. I expect my health to improve with time and who knows what the future holds.

Many regards to you and your family

from Karl