



*If you have given the hungry
even a crumb of bread from your bread.
If you have given the wanderer
even a spark of fire from your fire.
If you have given your darling a bit from your heart.
If you have given life to others of yourself.
If you have given, given, given of yourself,
you did not live, you did not live in vain.
No one can take away
the love, the love of people.
No one can take away
your love, your love for people.
And no one and nothing will take away
your faith in them, your faith in them, your faith in
them.
You're late sometimes, truth,
but you always come, you come to us.
If you took even a particle
from someone else's fame.
If you have heard the gossip
and repeated it even for a second.
If you were the enemy of the mean-spirited,
but you listened to him even once.
If you have eaten your friend's morsel
and forgotten about him.
Did you have to be born at all?..
Ilya Velchev*

Dear Rotarian friends, friends, not 'comrades' of late 'developed socialism'.
It is no coincidence that the topic of the last month of our service is Rotary Friendship.
Thanks to everyone who responded to our outstretched hand in need.
Thanks to all who accepted our help in response to their call for such.
Forgive all those who remained uninvolved.
Forgive our friends who have fooled into losing our unconditional trust.
Thanks to everyone who showed us the diversity of Rotary. Rotary is a part of life and presents good
to us only when it shares with us its opposite.
Only the sincerely forgiven continue.
For me, this was an unforgettable year in which I experienced a compressed time with many
unexpected twists in life. I experienced it because I have a wonderful family, unreservedly supported
by personal and Rotary friends.
I forgave the others.
Rotary is magic!
Let us save it!

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