



LOOK ON THE FIELDS

ITEMS FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

With Daily Scripture Readings

1ST

John 5:1-23

WALES Pop. 3.1 Mil. Cardiff

So far, 2022 has been a year of contrasts and opportunities, challenges and encouragements. Stuart has been able to get back into all the schools around Bethesda to take assemblies. He was well received by staff and some that were indifferent before, were now welcoming. He is booked in for 10 assemblies over the next two weeks. The past 2 years have highlighted the importance of these visits and the privilege that it is to have this access to schools. Please pray that this will continue.

The curriculum has changed in Wales. Pupils in RE will be asked to answer the 'big questions!' One school has asked for help with this, and Stuart is looking at this as an opportunity to tell the 'Christian perspective' in the schools.

Back in 2019 we developed the Bible Experience, a variation on the traditional Bible exhibition, involving IT and people in costume retelling events from the life of Christ. It proved to be effective. We were thrilled to be able to use the Bible Experience in September with over 900 pupils and their teachers coming to Bethesda and learning more from the Bible. It was good to talk with Christian teachers who enthused about the resource. If interested, you can get an idea of what the Bible Experience entails from the following YouTube clip. <https://youtu.be/IYkgZMYvUjM>

The poetry books that Stuart has written and are wonderfully illustrated by Feyi Medland are still available on the Precious Seed website. www.preciousseed.org The books available include Creation, Jonah, Easter, Christmas with another one imminent, covering the poems from Adam through to Moses. The 2022 Christmas book has been written and Feyi is illustrating it at the moment. We are looking to have 20,000 books printed and distributed. We are very grateful to believers who have visited their local primary schools and asked if the books can be distributed. Bethan is very busy over these periods posting books all over the UK and beyond. Please pray that these books are read, and it causes people to think in these thousands of households.

The children's work is good fun with a great group of children attending. The numbers are slightly disappointing and although we strive to get more along, we remember that each one is precious to the Lord. We had a Holiday Bible Club at the end of the summer holidays, and we really enjoyed having around 50 children in each day to the hall that was decorated for a royal theme. We pray that these new contacts will be seen again.

1/10/22

STUART & BETHAN SCAMMELL

2ND

John 5:24-47

WALES Pop. 3.1 Mil. Cardiff

The prison work is now running week by week and COVID lockdowns seem to be a thing of the past. Christianity Explored and Bible studies are conducted in both HMP Cardiff and HMP

Usk. 'G' who was wonderfully saved last year is continuing to make great progress and is a huge encouragement to Stuart as he goes in. The Bible class has a number of believers; these men come with a lot of baggage and really need our prayers. Stuart has been able to write a short article for the weekly prison newsletter, which goes into each cell. A good number of prisoners have done the Emmaus courses that Stuart took in during COVID. Please pray for these prisoners, that these courses would have the desired effect and bring them to Christ as Saviour and that those already saved might grow spiritually.

The street preaching and homeless works are a vital part of fulfilling the commission. It has been great to meet old friends from the prisons out on the streets while preaching and renewing the contacts. The homeless work continues, and the needs are greater than ever. It is great to have a consistent group that go out each time to meet the needs of those that we come across and to share the Gospel with them. Most times we are able to have two walking groups that take rucksacks of supplies and pump flasks through the town centre. The hot drinks, Pot noodles, rolls and clothes are gratefully received along with sleeping bags and blankets when we have them. We are so grateful to all who donate these, and this very often facilitates Gospel conversations. A third group take the trailer to the hostels and work out of this to distribute supplies and literature. Sometimes the atmosphere is strained, with relationships between those in the homeless community often dictated to by drugs and ongoing feuds. Sometimes the task is difficult and yet there are so many opportunities to tell of our Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ. Please pray for these desperate people who face challenges that we will know very little about.

Over the past few weeks Stuart has been liaising with some believers that are interested in fitting out a horse box that would have all the facilities for catering. It would provide a much safer environment for serving hot drinks and food to these often volatile people and allow some of the team to concentrate on the evangelising. This would also be used in the shows work for safe catering too.

Bethan continues in an administrative role and checking that Stuart's diary is not too full!! She is supporting some ladies in the community that have particular difficulties at the moment. Please pray that wisdom will be shown in how to show God's love to these women and how to answer questions that come along.

Thank you for your prayers for us, these are greatly appreciated.

1/10/22

STUART & BETHAN SCAMMELL

3RD

John 6:1-21

ZAMBIA Pop. 18 Mil. UK 40 Chitokoloki

We have just finished a busy orthopaedic marathon - 103 patients seen on Thursday - we finished the clinic at 11pm. Then started surgery at 5.30am yesterday all the way through to 01.30am this morning. We successfully operated on 19 orthopaedic patients, with an emergency ruptured ectopic in the middle of the list. We pray for all these dear folks as they recover physically, that they will also come to know the Lord as Saviour. Your continued prayers for the ongoing work at Chitokoloki are really valued.

C. 2009

3/10/22

JULIE-RACHEL ELWOOD

4TH

John 6:22-40

ALBANIA Pop. 3 Mil. UK 4 Shkoder

We are back into the rhythm of life after summer. Tomas is back at school for his final year of secondary school. Aron is about to start his final year of masters in Tirana. Joel passed his exams

for physiotherapy and now has two years for his masters. Please pray for them, especially Joel who is suffering from excess acid in the stomach which is causing him pain and anxiety. He is on medication, and we pray for improvement.

The kids and youth group have restarted. It is encouraging to see most of the 70 children that attended our holiday bible club back at our weekly meetings. It is great to see so many in the 12-13 years age group there. Pray that we will also be able to restart the group with mums that drop off their kids. In the past 3 years we have been able to meet them during the time their kids are at the children's meeting and have been able to have some conversational gospel talks with them. It would be good to restart this with the mums again soon.

I am about to begin a study on the letter to Galatians. Hopefully it will be something of a good foundation into gospel truth but also the importance of walking in the Spirit not the Law. Pray for me as I prepare the study. I am currently reading a book on part of one sentence in one verse of Galatians - the meaning of "the curse of the Law". I am thoroughly enjoying this study, so hopefully it will be a blessing for the assembly.

Pray also that the assembly will continue to value meeting together to pray. I challenged them yesterday to see the importance of community prayer. In Acts the church were together when the Holy Spirit came, later when they received boldness to proclaim the gospel, when praying for Peter, he was released from prison, when the Holy Spirit set apart missionaries. Personal prayer is important but there is something powerful that happens when the church meets together and calls on God with one heart and one voice.

C. 1997 10/10/22 COLIN & ELIDA STEPHEN

5TH

John 6:41 to 7:1

VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Barrancas

Although life's circumstances have been overwhelming, God has been faithful. How grateful we are for the throne of grace where we can come to the only One who can truly sympathize with our weaknesses. Here we can find mercy and grace for our time of great need.

In July, the Lord brought us a new addition to our home. Camila Valentina arrived at 5 months old. Her parents are drug addicts and support their addiction by stealing products from the fields a couple of towns up the mountain and reselling it in the city. The baby was spotted drinking a bottle of Coca-Cola and breathing in their second-hand smoke from the drugs. We are grateful for the opportunity to provide her with a healthier home environment and give this little one the love and attention she needs.

Another child was brought to our attention who was hospitalized for brain trauma and partial blindness due to abuse at home. Alejandro is 18 months old. No one had offered to care for him as he was removed from his immediate family. We started visiting him at the hospital and taking him diapers and formula and other necessities. A Christian couple from a nearby assembly who have not been able to have children, are praying to adopt him. They only had one bedroom in their small house and one of the authorities' requirements is to have a separate room for the child in order to adopt him. We helped them build an additional bedroom and it is awaiting inspection for approval. We have also been assisting them financially for them to help a newborn that was born to their neighbour's 12-year-old girl.

This week, another six-year-old girl, Monica, came to stay with us. Her mother left the country and left her with her grandmother. But the grandmother is having a very difficult time looking after

her and begged us for help. With this little girl, there are now 13 children under our care. We firmly believe each child has been brought to us by the Defender of orphans. And we don't hesitate to receive them in His name. We appreciate your continued prayers for all these children, for their salvation and preservation in this evil world.

At the beginning of August, the Lord took home our nephew, Joseph (Kenny and Esther's oldest). He had spent much time in our house, and we feel this loss as if it were our own son. He was always present helping us in our family emergencies. He had been battling cancer for three years. He left behind his wife and three children under six years old. This loss has been hard to understand, but we must continue trusting in God's sovereignty.
C. 1995 (Ven) 11/10/22 SANDRA TURKINGTON

6TH

John 7:2-30

VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Barrancas

Our second oldest daughter got married in mid-August. We had a family wedding in Colombia for the relatives and friends from other countries to be able to come, as crossing over to Venezuela is unthinkable for them in present circumstances. It was a much-needed family reunion after eight years of not being able to see each other. It was a time of joy but also of sadness, remembering those of the family who have gone on before us; three widower/widows in the past year and a half. We were able to cry together and comfort each other over our losses. We later had a ceremony here in Venezuela to include the brethren in the country as well.

We have been keeping busy trying to get the school in condition to be opened and functioning autonomously (Up until now we have been operating as a home extension of another school). We have had numerous inspections by different government entities, and quite a list of changes to be made so we can open legally. Our old house was functioning as part of the space for the school, but several rooms were deemed too small for classrooms, so we are building additional classrooms on. We also had to add on three more bathrooms and buy more tables and chairs that meet with the regulations of the school district. The existing septic tank also caved in, and we had to make a new one. We have to build a park for the children as well, but they are giving us more time for this requisite. We have felt heaven's approval as these needs have been met in opportune moments in order to get prepared to open for the school year. Lord willing, we will be able to formally initiate classes in two weeks. There are 42 students enrolled. Many of these children cannot even afford "free" public schools because they can't buy their own school supplies and uniforms. We have been able to provide them with both breakfast and dinner while they are here and hope to continue doing so. The school day starts out with the most important, a Bible class for their spiritual needs. Please pray that the Lord will bless this exercise with salvation of these young souls.

Although Allan (Sandra's late husband) is greatly missed, the meetings in the area have kept on with good interest. The assembly is on the 5th week of gospel meetings in the house of an elderly sister. There have been two monthly, all-day, ministry meetings where a meal is served after each meeting. One here in Barrancas and the other in Los Rastrojos, both had over 250 in attendance.

We trust that you will be encouraged to continue praying for the work in this corner of the harvest field.

C. 1995 (Ven) 11/10/22 SANDRA TURKINGTON

ETHIOPIA Pop. 112 Mil. UK 4 Writing from Scotland

There is a young evangelist called Ayansa, who needs much prayer support. He is the brother who does all our translation for BES (postal Bible school) in Orominya. He is a tremendous asset to the work. Sadly, just last year his wife developed breast cancer and early this year we assisted in providing help for the radiotherapy and chemo, but sadly I think they were a bit slow in starting the treatment, and the day I was leaving they told me she had died. This leaves our brother to look after a family of six. With food prices rising steeply it will not be easy for our brother.

I took 3 brethren to the Pan African conference in Rwanda during August. It gives the opportunity to meet with evangelists mainly from central Africa and I was interested to hear of work in countries where we don't have assembly missionaries.

When I returned to Ethiopia for five weeks, they were involved in three camps with 100 young people in two of them, aged about 14-17. The subjects given were interesting, including a consideration of the difference between Israel and the church. A lot of questions were raised (e.g head covering) but a number came afterwards and thanked me for the teaching.

There is still some fighting in the north, with Tigre province causing the problem. They were in power for over 30 years, and I think they would like to rule again. There are so many lies told by their leaders and it is only when you are in Ethiopia you can understand why the USA are supporting the rebels.

Despite these problems, the work of God continues to grow and there is a breakthrough in areas where Islam held sway.

C. 1969 3/10/22

ROBERT REVIE

SCOTLAND Pop. 5.5 Mil. Fife

I failed the DVLA eye test at the opticians on 7 June, and my driving licence was revoked on the 5 August. We continue to rely on family and friends to help us, driving us for groceries and assembly meetings. I was placed on the waiting list for cataract surgery on my right eye, but still have not heard from them.

It was a pleasure to watch a short video clip on Facebook of Rodney Brown, a commended Trinidad and Tobago evangelist, preaching during an open-air outreach meeting in Laventille, Port of Spain earlier this month, as he and a few believers stood with him. With a portable PA system slung over his right shoulder, he was preaching from John 3:17. Laventille, noted for drugs and gangs, steelpan and calypso music, has a viewpoint that looks out over the city towards the western peninsula. On a clear day you can even see the mountains of Venezuela on the horizon. Not an easy place to bear a witness for the Lord Jesus Christ.

I was asked to give a word of ministry in our assembly in Cowdenbeath, and read James 1:1. We considered the statement by the apostle Paul that when he went to Jerusalem to see Peter, he met none of the other apostles, 'save James, the Lord's brother' Galatians 1:19. Tracing through the Gospels and the Acts, we learn somethings of this man's family history and his spiritual activity. Who he was, what he was, his encouragement for the believers who were dispersed and distressed, his greetings, "rejoice" as the Amplified renders the word in James 1:1. What care for his believing Jewish brethren.

We value your continued prayer for us and Trinidad and Tobago.

C. 1967 26/10/22

JOHN & MARGARET WRIGHT

ROMANIA Pop. 19.5 Mil. UK 4 Ploiesti

As everywhere, the post-Covid pandemic effects are being felt, with increased prices in the shops, supply chain problems and the cost of gas and electricity rising.

In February 2022, war broke out in the **Ukraine**, the country next door. This has brought uncertainty and many challenges, as well as a change in focus for some Romanian believers. An enormous amount of energy and effort has been put into helping those fleeing war and those who have remained in their own country. Both practical and spiritual help have been given and prayer is valued that the good seed sown might bear much fruit.

Owing to the kindness and generosity of the Lord's people, our focus has remained on helping those who are taking essential items into the war zones and to those who are looking after refugees who have fled to safer areas in the Ukraine, nearer the northern border with Romania. Many are still living in cramped conditions in different buildings as they have nowhere else to go, sleeping on mattresses and with only a cardboard box to keep their belongings in. Much praise and thanksgiving has ascended to the throne of grace from those who have been helped by God's timely provision in very difficult circumstances.

Regular visits for **Bible teaching** to assemblies in our home County and monthly Saturday studies (10.00 to 14.00) in Galați and Craiova (16.00 to 19.00) continued, as well as Bible studies via Zoom with the Ponsacco Assembly in Italy (3½ hours monthly) and series of ministry meetings in different areas of the country. Please pray for spiritual growth amongst believers.

Spring/Summer 2022

At the end of February construction commenced on **the literature storage facility near Suceava, northern Romania**. We have been so grateful for the Lord's help and that of all those who have been part of moving this project forward quickly in such a wonderful way. Many Romanian believers, who have expertise in different areas, have helped and guided us at different stages of the work and have given liberally of their time.

God willing, the building will be ready to use late November and we are looking forward to using it to its full potential for gospel literature work and ultimately for the salvation of many.

Opening of a new gospel hall – During the last ten years a fair amount of time has been invested in the local assembly in Pietrișu, on the Romanian/Bulgarian border, and other assemblies in the area. It was therefore a real joy to be invited to speak at the official opening of the new gospel hall in Pietrișu. It was a very happy occasion and the new hall was packed with nearly 200 people.

Baptisms in the County of Gorj – Another highlight during the summer was preaching in Șitoaia where we have had series of gospel tent meetings in the past. The very small assembly of believers was most encouraged when seven believers were baptised by immersion.

C. 1992 25/10/22

PAUL & SUE WILLIAMS

ROMANIA Pop. 19.5 Mil. UK 4 Ploiesti

The gospel tent ministry entered its 15th summer season. Gospel tents were pitched in 84 places in 15 Counties throughout Romania and in 4 villages and the town of Orhei in the Republic of Moldova, with over 16,000 children attending meetings and over 10,000 people (saved and unsaved) attending gospel tent meetings. Good numbers of people have been saved.

The first series of tent meetings this year was in N.E. Romania, in

the County of Bacău. It was the exercise of one of the elder's in the assembly in Oneşti for unsaved people to have the opportunity to listen to the preaching of the gospel in the village where he was born and brought up. His father was wonderfully saved at the age of 90!

One of the highlights of the tent work this summer was when the elders in the local assembly in Hanu Conachi were burdened to have tent meetings in the Eastern County of Galaţi in Hanu Conachi and Griviţa. It was a real joy to labour in the gospel with this assembly in Hanu Conachi with nearly 100 people attending the meetings. They were 'live' on the internet with over 1,300 people listening to the gospel message. A lady who was listening online in the city of Bacău, 90 miles away, under Divine conviction, wonderfully professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Winter 2022

God willing, we are awaiting a delivery of 130,000 2023 calendars. They will be transported to key areas ready for believers and gospel workers to distribute, together with an A5 gospel text and a tract. Distribution will also take place during special gospel outreaches in December.

Until late Spring systematic Bible teaching will continue in different areas of the country.

Gospel literature printing projects

A significant quantity of the literature printed is used in the Northern region of Romania, an area that we have been visiting for many years. Having a base for the work in this region is a strategic development and will help in the consolidation of the literature work and the expansion of gospel outreach.

With the wonderful provision of the literature storage facility near Suceava, we will be able to spend proportionally more time in the region of Moldavia. Working alongside local elders and assemblies we are seeking to develop different aspects of the Lord's work with a younger generation of believers living in a constantly changing society.

Literature translation work – Sue is involved in checking the translation of the **Precious Seed books on the Old Testament** and **Everyday Evangelism (sharing the gospel in conversation)** by Paul McCauley and David Williamson. Some translators have been delayed in their work due to helping in the Ukrainian relief work.

Goods sent out for the tent work and for people living in isolated communities are much appreciated and an encouragement to those who receive them.

We are grateful for God's sustaining grace and guidance.

C. 1992 25/10/22 PAUL & SUE WILLIAMS

11TH

John 9:18-38

CHILE Pop. 19.1 Mil. Los Angeles, Bio Bio

We send you our warm greetings in Christ from the south of Chile. As we are enjoying the first days of Spring here in these southern latitudes you will be entering your Fall weather. How comforting and true to read the words of Genesis 8:22 "While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter and day and night shall not cease." Our God is Faithful to His promises!

We were recently able to visit our family in Toronto, Canada, after 3 years of not being able to travel due to the Pandemic. It was a happy time visiting with our daughter and son and the 5 grandkids. The summer days were lovely. We had a few trips around Ontario with them; also a week's trip to Washington, D.C., where we visited some of the museums, including The Bible Museum, which was very interesting! The two months went by so fast, and we were soon on the plane back to Chile.

Since arriving back to the work here, we have been helping the two small assemblies in this area with our 6 regular weekly meetings, which are returning to more 'normal' conditions now. As of 1st October, the health authorities have lifted the required use of masks and other restrictions that were imposed on everyone here. We are so thankful for this as it will allow better opportunities to reach out with the gospel. We are planning special gospel meetings in the near future and looking to the Lord for blessing.

Last week we attended two funerals of two older believers who over the past 45 years were faithful men who supported and contributed in their respective assemblies. Quiet men but you could always count on them to be present, and by their example, giving stability and encouragement to the Lord's people. We need more brethren like this! It was sad to see them go, but one was 95 and the other 82. Their work had ended, and the Lord called them Home to their reward. Where are the men to take their place? C. 1978 (Can) 4/10/22 DENNIS & GLORIA HANNA

12TH

John 9:39 to 10:18

LEBANON Pop. 60 Mil. Tyre

The situation in Lebanon has not changed much over the summer. The value of the local currency has continued to fall against the Dollar – the Lebanese Pound has lost more than 90% of its value and more than three quarters of the population are in poverty. Prices have continued to increase, and most salaries have not yet changed. Most private schools have begun to require partial payment in USD but it is yet to be seen how parents will manage to do this. Until now, the number of students enrolled has been maintained at a similar level. Families are willing to make many sacrifices to maintain their children's access to education. However, in general an increasing number of children are no longer attending school and there are still concerns that the school year will face challenges as teachers demand more pay or increased transportation.

LEST (Lebanese Evangelical School, Tyre) – The school year has begun for staff, and students will start returning over the coming weeks. The number of believers in school is a matter for prayer so please do remember this issue.

The number of students requiring academic support in school has significantly increased – this is partly following the online period due to Covid-19 and also as parents in the community learn about our department.

I hope that we will be able to resume staff devotions this year since we already were able to have assemblies last year. I also hope to be able to restart Little Stars for parent and toddlers, but this will be once everything else has been running for a few weeks at least. There have already more opportunities for visits now that Covid-19 restrictions have been removed.

Prayer Points

- Thank God for being able to have school till now. Pray for teachers and families struggling in these days of economic crisis for Lebanon. The school currently employs around 150 members of staff. Pray that the school will be able to continue as it has for 153 years.
- Pray for our students and teachers as they attend assemblies. Pray that we will be able to resume staff prayers in the coming weeks.
- Pray for the few believers that we do have in school to be strong and bring Hope to people around us. Pray that God would provide more workers to share the opportunities.
- Pray for peace and justice in a place marked by corruption and distress.

Thank you for your continued prayer and support.

1/10/22

ANDREA SMITH

VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Tucupita

Mr Jack Hunter's commentary on 1 Corinthians 3:7 is very heart searching. "*Planting and watering are tremendous conceptions of service, and must not be minimized, but all is in vain unless God intervenes, and by His power produces life and growth.... In this sense, the servant is of little importance, for all blessing, all results, all increase come from God.*" By God's grace we are permitted to be labourers together with God, but how necessary it is to be reminded continually of our insignificance and our total dependence of Him. If He gives us the joy of seeing increase in whatever sphere of labour in which we have a part, all the Glory must be only for Him.

The Lord has preserved the small group of believers here in the city of Tucupita. We just finished a series of Bible Readings on Acts 2:41,42 with other scriptures, seeking to upbuild their faith, with very basic things from the word of God. At present we are having prayer meetings, seeking the Lord's guidance to start a series of Gospel meetings here in the Hall or in another area of the city.

I am very thankful for the Lord's answer in sending David Perez with his wife Leidys, from the assembly in los Colorados, San Carlos to help us. He had often come for periods of time and has always given valuable help in a spiritual way but also in the practical. At present he is finishing many details which still needed to be done in the gospel hall. He and his wife have felt guided by the Lord to stay with us here for the present, helping in the work of the Lord.

Last week we were able to visit a few indigenous communities along the river, speaking a little word in the gospel to old and young in most of them. Still, there are hundreds of these small communities, where we have never got to and the people are in darkness. Although access by river is still dangerous, we pray that the Lord may open doors and the pure gospel may reach these people.

On the first of August we were travelling to San Carlos for the conference when we got the sad news that my nephew Joseph (son of Kenneth and Esther), was called home. Please remember in your prayers his widow, Maria, his 3 children Daniel, Martha and David, and his parents and the rest of the family.

C. 2014 (Ven) 7/10/22 WILLIAM TURKINGTON

FRANCE Pop. 67 Mil. UK 40 Bellerive-Sur-Allier

On October 14th, we had our annual day conference (Rencontre du Massif central) in Clermont-Ferrand for the small assemblies scattered across our area. Nine local churches were represented, and five other groups sent news (several were prevented from travelling by fuel shortages caused by strikes at refineries across the country).

Our theme was "How should we react to the new law on separatism?", with the subtitle "Witnessing to the Gospel and living it out in a changing society." In the context of recent legislation aimed at tightening control of 'religious' organisations in France, some government ministers have come out with announcements which are worrying for Christians. The minister of the Interior (our Home Secretary) said: "We can no longer envisage discussion with people who refuse to sign a statement stipulating that the laws of the Republic have precedence over the law of God." Believers have been feeling under pressure to "hide their light under a bushel", to refrain from talking about

their faith at work or even in any public environment. Our speaker did a good job of separating the truth from the bluster, reaffirming that the State is neutral (and this is a good thing), but its citizens are not. Freedom of conscience and expression are guaranteed, and we were encouraged to take full advantage of this to share our faith, simply and without fear.

We were very blessed to be able to get together with all our children and grandchildren (one family at a time!) during the summer. We started off with a few days at the end of July in the Jura Mountains with Ivan and his two boys. Then in early August we spent a week in the Pyrenees with Damien and his family. They were housesitting in a tiny village. Finally, Olivia and her family spent a few days in Vichy. Our eighth grandchild, Rebecca Lenore, was born on September 15th to Gillian and Damien. We spent a busy week "grandparenting" in Tarbes (school runs, homework, etc.). It was a joy and a privilege to be there at the time of the birth and to hold our tiny new granddaughter in our arms.

C. 1976 25/10/22 BOB & LENORE SOUZA

BELGIUM Pop. 11.5 Mil. UK 1 Assebroek

It is encouraging to see the Lord at work in individual women's lives. Since I last wrote, I have been meeting with women who have asked for help regarding having been victims of abuse and suffering under addictions and anxiety. It is moving to see the Lord bring them life and hope.

At the end of September, I had the privilege of being able to present a workshop at an IBCM conference about understanding abuse. Last weekend I was in Germany sharing with about 100 women about understanding abuse and some suggestions about how to help. In November, similar workshops will be given in Edinburgh and Glasgow. The most unusual experience was being interviewed on Moody Radio in America about understanding abuse and how to help. Technology is wonderful that we can communicate in such ways these days. Your prayers would be appreciated for these workshops so that we can grow in our love and care for suffering people.

Debilitated and Diminished has now been republished as *The Emotionally Abusive Husband: Its Effects & How to Overcome Them in Christ*. It is the second book in the overcoming emotional abuse series. The third book, *The Emotionally Abusive Mindset: Its Effects & How to Overcome Them in Christ* is due to be published in November. It looks at how abuse is expressed across a spectrum of relationships, while offering suggestions about how to help.

Please pray for the Lord's work in the hearts of the women I meet with and those who read the materials. Your prayers are much appreciated.

C. 1999 21/10/22 ANNE DRYBURGH

ZAMBIA Pop. 18 Mil. UK 40 Chitokoloki

Things have been steady since arriving back in Zambia mid-August. We drove up to Chitokoloki the day after arriving in the country, and junior and senior boys' camp began right away. We were thankful to have help during camp from a team that came up from Lusaka, including Mark Grattan, who took part of the speaking sessions at senior camp.

The plane is currently in Lusaka receiving an avionics upgrade. A team from the United States is here for three weeks and hope to finish what would normally be at least a two-month project.

These upgrades will be a big improvement to the aircraft and very much appreciated.

The Thursday school programme continues to go well. We are pleased to see a good turnout of kids, support from the teachers and also faithful help from some of the local Christians, who take part in speaking, teaching memory verses, leading singing and running quizzes. Please pray for these kids, who know almost nothing about the Word of God. One of them commented, after listening to the story of Cain and Abel, that she couldn't understand why God didn't accept Cain's offering since he just brought what he had. It was a good opportunity to explain the difference between bringing an offering as a means of appeasing God for sin and an offering of thanksgiving. We were able to talk about the importance of blood being shed, and point forward to the death of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Your continuing prayerful interest in the work of the Lord in Zambia is appreciated.

C. 2013 (Can)/2017(NI) 11/10/22

CHRIS & ALISON BRUNDAGE

17TH

John 12:20-50

ALBANIA Pop. 3 Mil. UK 4 Gjirokaster

The Hiding Place is a house in which a loving, caring atmosphere helps shelter young girls and their babies. It was established by the late Marijan Nijhof in 1998 and continues to look after needy Albanian children. We are thankful to God for everything He has been doing here at the Hiding Place! We are thankful for His care, protection and love!

During the summer, some of the children went home and stayed with their parents for a few weeks and afterwards we had a lot of summer activities with them. The oldest went to the Crossroads Torchbearers children camp where they had great fun and learned more about Christ's love for them.

In August we had a youth group from Holland visit us. Angela, who lived with us years ago organised this with her Dutch friends. She told them about her experience at the Hiding Place and they decided to come as a group. They organised a daily camp with the children for a week and also went swimming with them. The children enjoyed their company so much and became good friends.

We are very pleased at the progress the children are making. Please pray for Jetmir, Ambra, Ola, Adela, Bela, and Eidon (our youngest child – who can now walk and is babbling! He is active, curious and smiles all the time!). Also remember Dani, Miri and Samuel (our oldest boy) who are teens, love football and with whom we can have good spiritual conversations. Also pray for siblings Emanuela (aged 8) and Samoel (aged 6) who came to us in July with an emergency protection order; the Court then decided to leave them in our custody. They come from a domestic violence situation.

After 20 years working with us, Vali has recently retired. We trust that God will bless her. Anjola is her replacement and a new employee. She is a nurse and has a daughter. We pray that she may enjoy this new working environment and be a great blessing to others.

Prayer Points:

- May God's word be settled in the children's hearts
- May God give us tranquillity, peace and wisdom to do this work for His honour and glory.

18TH

John 13:1-30

UKRAINE Pop. 44 Mil. UK 4 Lutsk

Lutsk is still well fortified with military blockades and checkpoints on every main road. Curfew is still in place and streets are so dark without lights at night. More battalions of Russian troops have moved nearer our border with Belarus, approximately 60 miles from us. They are still carrying out exercises on the border! Sirens are sounding so often and even during the meetings last week. We don't know what Russia is planning now but we are so thankful that our God is still in full control.

We are still rejoicing over the salvation of 2 ladies - Oksana & Lena. Oksana started to attend meetings just after the war started. She had lost her job and we helped her out materially. She told us 7 weeks ago that she had got saved during the meetings! This is such a great encouragement at this time. Lena is from the East and has been attending the meetings for a few months. She got saved 6 weeks ago, which is so encouraging.

Please pray for dear Lyuda. Her husband, Slavic, passed away on Tuesday and was buried on Wednesday. Timothy spoke in the home and Anatoly at the graveside. Timothy and some other elders had visited Slavic 3 weeks ago and talked to him about the Saviour and salvation. He said he was trying to do something to earn favour with God and said he hadn't trusted Christ as his own Saviour.

Anatoly and Tim visited Slavic again last Friday. Ira and Vita stayed downstairs with Lyuda. Slavic couldn't speak and had no energy. He hadn't eaten in 4 days and his life on this earth was slowly ebbing away. Tim talked to him and asked him to squeeze his hand if he could hear him. Slavic squeezed Tim's hand. Tim quoted some Gospel verses to him and talked to him about trusting the Lord for salvation. Before we left Tim asked Slavic to squeeze his hand just to let us know if he had trusted the Lord Jesus as his Saviour. We don't know where he got the energy from, but he raised both hands and squeezed Tim's hand! What an amazing moment to know that Slavic was ready to die and is now with his Saviour. Please keep praying for Lyuda at this very difficult time. God certainly answers prayer!

We are using our new little Gospel card printed on both sides to distribute with our aid. It's all about HOPE. We printed 20,000. It is very relevant for the situation people are facing in Ukraine. It's a good size for giving to people and also for people to have in pockets etc. We have over 250,000 Ukrainian Gospel tracts as well available. What a privilege it is to share the Best News with so many people in these sad and tragic circumstances. We pray that many will be saved at this time.

We are buying another 2,000 Ukrainian New Testaments. We bought some recently and they are being well received. Please pray that these will be a blessing to those who receive them.

C. 1993 3/10/22 TIMOTHY & RHODA SLOAN

19TH

John 13:31 to 14:14

UKRAINE Pop. 44 Mil. UK 4 Lutsk

We have a great hymn singing session and Gospel meeting every Thursday evening. These times are so special. Then we all enjoy a hot meal together. Everyone takes away a nice food bag. On Thursday evening past we had 240 in attendance, with over 200 unsaved in. We are running out of space to seat everyone! It's a great opportunity to talk about the Saviour to these dear refugees.

There are approximately 72,000 refugees in Lutsk now and more on the way! We are now trying to organise more meetings in the hall. We hope to start a mums & tots group next week as there

are so many mothers with small children in Lutsk. The believers would also like to recommence the weekly Prayer meeting and Bible study as this has been changed into a Gospel meeting due to the huge numbers of unsaved attending. We will continue the Gospel meeting every Thursday evening and have our Bible study and Prayer meeting on Monday evenings.

Work is progressing well at the orphanage. Some materials are difficult to source now due to the war but we are doing everything possible to see the orphanage ready to be opened.

We made up 250 food/toiletry bags recently for needy families near the front line. A couple of Polish believers drove them across. Please pray for their safety. In each bag we added a New Testament, some Gospel tracts and the little Hope card.

Please pray for Viktoria. We mentioned her before when we were able to deliver the wheelchair plus other aid to her. She is disabled and lives in an apartment block in Kharkiv. We sent more aid over to her as she desperately needs it, but she tells us that it's very bad with them now and they are being targeted so often with missiles. We hadn't heard from her for a while but just got in contact recently again. Russia bombed Kharkiv in the past weeks and Viktoria and her family lost electricity and water supplies. We sent over boxes of food and aid to her on Monday. She has relatives in Izium and they are in desperate need too. We also sent 3 boxes of Gospel literature to Kharkiv. A believer there contacted us asking for literature. Please pray for the believers in these very dangerous areas at this time.

We close with sincere thanks to you all for praying and for keeping in touch.

C. 1993 3/10/22 TIMOTHY & RHODA SLOAN

20TH

John 14:15-31

BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Pirassununga

This Saturday we hope to baptize a young girl (19 years old) here in Pirassununga, saved some years ago. Her parents have been in the assembly for some years now and are overjoyed at this step of obedience.

The literature work continues to progress well and takes up a significant amount of our time. The books and magazines travel much farther than we could ever manage, so we value your prayers for this aspect of the work.

As restrictions due to Covid have eased a lot, we can resume travelling further afield again. There are many isolated assemblies here in central Brazil, hundreds of miles from other believers, which we try to visit when possible. Last month I was away for a week visiting an assembly about 550 miles from here, and next week I plan spending five nights with the believers in Arame, 8 hours' drive from here. We value your prayers for the seed sown.

C. 1998 4/10/22 WILLIAM & ELEN WATTERSON

21ST

John 15:1-16

ANGOLA Pop. 32 Mil. UK 4 Camundambala

We were so grateful to the Lord for His overruling in the safe delivery of two 40 ft containers with materials for building the new hall here at Camundambala. The roads are atrocious even before the rainy season has really started and it's a hard journey for the lorry drivers. They arrived, one on 15 September which

was the container with all the roofing sheets etc in, which had to be unloaded. It was quite a task unloading 8m long insulated roofing sheets from the height of a container on a lorry.

The second container arrived early the next morning. This container we have purchased so it came on a lorry with lifting gear and was efficiently lifted from the lorry on to the concrete cubes which Horano had made the week before for the container to be put down on to on the level. It worked a treat!

The foundations for the erecting of the steel frame are in place but there will be no more work done on the hall now until April/May of next year when, Lord willing, two guys from Brass Tacks will come out to oversee the erecting of the steel structure. It is quite a feat and in advance we would value your prayers that no-one will be injured in the process while dealing with very large steel beams with very limited lifting equipment.

School recommenced about the first week in September. We have a huge shortage of teachers, not just in our school, but throughout the entire country. We have made representations to the provincial director, and we have been promised more teachers, but here we are well into October, and no-one has as yet turned up. It is exceedingly frustrating and once again it's the children that suffer. The education system here is completely broken, it's hard to explain how bad it is.

Along with the Bible study groups that run continuously, Brian has just started a new group of 12 lads between 14 and 18. Some are saved but most of them not. It is quite a challenge as many can't even find the Bible references and their ability to read is of a very low standard indeed. This week he spent most of the lesson playing 'draw Swords' just to try and get them to have some idea of finding their way around the Bible.

C. 1993 7/10/22 BRIAN & DEBBIE HOWDEN

22ND

John 15:17 to 16:15

ANGOLA Pop. 32 Mil. UK 4 Camundambala

During the dry season we were able to build two new houses, one for a believer and one for an unbeliever who is a widower still with young children at home. He is absolutely thrilled to have a house that doesn't leak and with concrete floor and rendered walls. He never dreamt he would have a house like it. It is very basic but significantly better than his previous mud hut! We have also built a very small one room, one bedroom home for a widow who, when her husband died, his family took everything, including her house and she had to go into town and live with family. She wants to come back to the village so as there wasn't time to get more mud bricks made before the rains, we built her a home with what we had left from the other houses and once she's back here she will also receive monthly food from us as other widows, widowers and needy folk in the village receive each month. It's a drop in the ocean of need, but we have to try and identify those who are poorest, not just poor. It's not an easy task.

Work continues on the house we are building for Horano, who has a lot of responsibility here with us and all of the responsibility when we're not here. We feel it would be good to have him living on site as there is no one else living close permanently. He is invaluable to us, and we are grateful to the Lord for His provision of such a capable and trustworthy person. He maintains all the vehicles and generators and does major repair work on both when they break down.

We were so pleased to see Sam Simonyi-Gindele a couple of times during his visit here this time. He arrived mid-September with one of the elders from his assembly in Vancouver. It was lovely to see them and Kyle, the brother who came with him, was most perceptive and insightful of what he saw and the questions he asked, which was most encouraging to us. Not everyone sees through the 'mist' of what missionary work here involves, but he did and was a great encouragement to us. They leave on Monday to return to Canada.

We are very much looking forward to a visit in October from Victor Michael and Michael Buckeridge, Trustees of the Angolan Literature Fund.

C. 1993 7/10/22 BRIAN & DEBBIE HOWDEN

23RD

John 16:16-33

INDIA Pop. 1,370 Mil. UK 3 Chennai

We are writing to thank you for your continued prayers for us and to acknowledge that our God is a prayer answering God. We are so glad to inform you that yesterday evening we received an email from the Ministry of Home Affairs in New Delhi, informing us that our FCRA (Foreign Contribution Regulation Act 2010) Certificate has been renewed for a further five years.

The validity of the existing Certificate expired on 30th September 2022 and we have been diligently praying for the past 12 months that it would be renewed. We had gone through different inspections and checking by the Ministry of Home Affairs, and we thank the Lord and each one of you for standing with us and remembering us in prayer during these challenging times. We also praise God that in His appropriate time He answered our prayers and renewed the Certificate so that His work will continue further. We give all the Glory and Honour to God and praise Him for His faithfulness and for His grace to the ministry of CMCT in India. He has again proved that He is mindful and in control of the work of CMCT. It was a joyful moment to all of us as we heard this good news. So we once again thank you for your continued prayers for us and for the work of the Lord here in Chennai, and thank the Lord for granting us this Certificate.

C. 1964 (New Zealand) 16/9/22 COLLEEN REDIT

24TH

John 17

ENGLAND Pop. 56 Mil. Skelmanthorpe, West Yorkshire

The assembly held a special week of gospel activity in late September led by Iain Jamieson & Josh Kaye. These brethren preached the gospel powerfully each evening and were also involved in door-to-door work, supported by local saints who had also distributed several thousands of invitations before the meetings. Gospel literature was given out to passers-by on the main street of the village in the afternoons and the Hall was open every morning for people to drop in for coffee and conversation. Many outsiders attended the meetings, several of whom were complete strangers, and others who were relatives and work colleagues of assembly members. The support of believers from other assemblies and Christians who attend other places was also much appreciated. The assembly was greatly encouraged by the week and looks to the Lord for evidence of blessing in salvation

and for wisdom in being a continuing help to those who attended who are young in the faith.

30/10/22 SAVILLE ROAD HALL, SKELMANTHORPE

25TH

John 18:1-27

TANZANIA Pop. 58 Mil. UK 6 Dar-es-Salam

The children returned for their final term of the year at the end of August, slipped back into routine and are again enjoying all that God has provided for them through the WWT Centre. They are preparing for the Christmas assembly by learning Micah 5:2, Isaiah 9:6 and Luke 2:1-7 together with choruses about the Christmas story. We employed Mama Norine for 6 days to draw round stencils and then cut out all the figures etc for the Bethlehem backdrop. Lesley Wells joins us later this month and will supervise the children painting these to create another impressive display. We are hoping most of the parents will join us and hear through the children 'the greatest story ever told'!

This past week we registered new children to start in Jan 2023. 18 parents were sitting outside the WWT gates from 5am Monday and prepared to sleep through the night to ensure a place for their child on Tuesday morning. To help them, as some were nursing mothers, numbered tickets were given out at 8pm Monday and they were told to go home, grab some sleep and be back by 3am Tuesday when Gill and Specioza would start registering them in the dark! The efforts of these parents show how much they value WWT. Our prayer is that they might value and believe the message which we present.

Following successful chemotherapy, Gladness, our WWT cook, had a partial mastectomy 3 weeks ago and is recovering well. We ask that you continue to pray for this lovely believer. She looks bright and healthy and thanks the Lord for all He has done for her. Mama Alfani (mentioned in previous updates) is working in her place and glad to be earning to support her family.

The government school holidays were adjusted this year so that the national census could take place. This meant that we had more children (about 600) at the Friday Kids' Club. Our grandchildren Hannah and Charlie were staying with us at the time. With the extra personnel we were able to hear the children individually sing the books of the Bible for a prize and over 300 succeeded, both those from nominal Christian and Muslim backgrounds. We got through hundreds of 3-biscuit packs as they left, most of which were consumed before they reached home!

At the Thursday Kids' Clubs, we are dealing with children on a much smaller scale (about 60), but it means we can get to know them better personally and do some quiz activities which wouldn't be possible to attempt on Fridays. Both Kids' Clubs are now learning Psalm 8 to recite before Christmas for a prize.

C. 2002 6/10/22 STEPHEN & GILL DAVIES

26TH

John 18:28 to 19:16

TANZANIA Pop. 58 Mil. UK 6 Dar-es-Salam

Unfortunately, Baba Norine's recovery from a broken leg hasn't gone to plan. His wife took him to the local army hospital to have his plaster cast removed, only for an x-ray to show that the bones had been set wrong by the national hospital and hadn't fused at all. An operation was needed to fix stainless/titanium

steel plates. But both the army and national hospital didn't have the size needed. Foolishly they paid for an operation in advance, with funds we provided for them, on the promise that the parts would become available at the national hospital later this month. We are praying this will be so, and that this time they will do a proper job. Until then, his leg is being held together by the flesh and muscles surrounding his calf bone. Please pray that the love of God shown practically will bear fruit spiritually in their lives. His wife and family attend the assembly regularly, but we have yet to see him at the meetings as he can't leave the house.

About 6 weeks ago we met Mama Devotha, a mother of 4 children who come to Friday Kids' Club. Her partner of 14 years left her, moved to a different part of the country to live with another woman, leaving her unsupported. She used to have a small business but had to use any profit to feed her children and pay her rent. She sold household items to extend the day of eviction but eventually was thrown out. A local councillor lent her a room which she usually rented out and was helping the family with a little food when able. It wasn't an easy situation. She explained her plight to Gill asking for help. She began attending on a Sunday and was clearly desperate. After a week or two, we agreed that, if she continued to attend the gospel meeting, we would settle her rent arrears, rent the room she was in for 6-months, and help her to restart her little business. She and her family have attended all the Sunday meetings since. We are praying for a spiritual breakthrough in their lives.

Baba and Mama Prince have, to date, been rather vague regarding their salvation even though they are requesting baptism. This is not untypical, as baptism is often considered the key to joining a church and possibly receiving additional benefits. Also, with various family ailments and situations, the assembly elders have not had many opportunities to sit with them and for them to share their testimony. We are being patient as we look for signs of spiritual life and reality in them both.

Thank you for praying for and supporting the Lord's work in Tanzania.

C. 2002 6/10/22 STEPHEN & GILL DAVIES

27TH

John 19:17-42

INDIA Pop. 1,370 Mil. UK 3 Narsapur

Please rejoice that the two day worker's conference during 24th and 25th of October was a great blessing. The main theme of this conference was "Great is His faithfulness". Brother Heward Raj shared precious thoughts from the Old Testament, brother Chiranjeevi brought thoughts from the life history of Paul, brother Zephaniah shared foundations and doctrines of the gospel and brother Satyanarayana shared from Lamentation 3.23 highlighting God's mercies are new every morning. About 150 attended, including staff, hospital children and many from nearby villages, and were immensely blessed. The conference was part of our centenary celebrations.

On 23rd October 14 brothers and sisters, including some of our hostel children, witnessed publicly by being baptised. The baptisms took place in the canal that passes beside Bethesda. As we crossed the busy road to go down to the canal, many vehicles and passengers stopped to witness the baptisms. Praise God with us. Also, kindly pray with us that these brothers and sisters will be preserved and stand steadfast in their faith. Of those baptised,

six are HIV positive who are George Muller Home children. It is such a joy to see their physical and spiritual progress.

All these 100 years the Sovereign Lord has been proving faithful and will continue to be faithful in the days ahead. Although there continues to be many needs at Bethesda (including home based program, patient care, maintenance etc.) we know that 'Great is the Lord's Faithfulness' to Bethesda.

29/10/22

BETHESDA (LEPROSY) HOSPITAL

28TH

John 20

ROMANIA Pop. 19.5 Mil. UK 4 Cluj

The last few months have been very busy. Tim was asked to make a timber staircase for a brother in the next village and this had to be done between duties at Casa Luca. We have also retiled and repaired the entrance porch to our house and added a new radiator to make it warmer for the winter months. In August we drove to Annecy in France for the Christian Worker's Conference, where we were blessed with wonderful fellowship and ministry from God's Word.

In July we celebrated locally the marriage of a young Gypsy couple who are believers. Luca & Emma have been friends for several years and we pray God's blessing on them and for their future together.

With the situation in Ukraine, we are forwarding gifts to brethren who are continuing to buy bulk food items to feed the 450 displaced people in Bocsoi and a small orphanage nearby. We have also passed on gifts to help buy much needed medical equipment for a hospital in Ukraine which is treating the wounded soldiers sent from the fighting in the East of the country. Please continue to pray for a peaceful solution to the conflict.

Throughout the summer, Casa Luca has had a good rate of occupancy and we have had many opportunities to tell them about our Lord Jesus. Some of them have come along with us to the mid-week meetings in the local assembly and shown some interest. One or two of them remain indifferent to the Gospel, but each is willing to receive a Bible and a flowerpot inscribed with John 3:16 when they leave.

In September, Marianne, a Danish friend of ours from the early days in Romania, came and stayed with us for a week. As she knows the Romanian language well, she spent many hours getting alongside the clients, sympathizing and sharing with them. 'As cold water to a weary soul, so is good news from a far country!' Proverbs 25:25.

C. 2002 4/10/22

TIM & JENNY GOODING

29TH

John 21

PHILIPPINES Pop. 107 Mil. Manila

In our last newsletter we asked you to pray for several things and the Lord has graciously answered those prayer requests. The first was the conference we held on the Island of Boracay. It was well attended and much good came out of it. A large number of folks attended from local churches on Boracay, and many travelled in from the surrounding region. Many of our friends also took the opportunity to come down from Manila for the weekend and attended as well.

During the conference we were able, with God's help, to provide

some encouragement to the local believers, many of whom are desperately poor and facing great hardship. We were also able to address many issues their leaders are currently dealing with through sound teaching and the Q&A sessions. However, the most uplifting thing to come out of the conference was a renewed vision to reach the many Islands surrounding the area, some of which are completely unreached and have no gospel witness.

Within a couple of months, we put together an outreach team for a trip to the Caluya Island Chain, which is several hours by a bamboo boat to the west of Boracay Island. There is no infrastructure on many of these Islands, no power, no hospital, no hotels, or large shops. The people make a living by farming seaweed, fishing and buying daily necessities from tiny stores added to the front of people's houses.

There are two Islands in this chain that remain completely unreached due to the heavy seas and frequent typhoons throughout most of the year and several others with a local Filipino missionary presence. We decided to help a Filipino missionary couple on the Island of Sibay first. They had already paid a heavy price personally to plant a church on that Island, burying their only son shortly after they arrived there. Since that time, the Lord has added to their number, and we ran a Holiday Bible Club for the children for several days. We did this in two locations and the program was very well attended.

Our team was fourteen in total including myself and my fellow-helper Domini, four local believers, a group of interested young Christians and several Filipino missionaries that work in the surrounding Islands. They came in by boat to visit us for some much-needed encouragement. It is hard work, and the single Filipino missionaries are making do with extraordinarily little. In addition to the children's ministry, we distributed many tracts among the adults and were warmly received everywhere we went.

C. 2000 20/10/22 JONATHAN & JINGLE BRADFORD

30TH

1 John 1

PHILIPPINES Pop. 107 Mil. Manila

There are no ports on these Islands, I swam to shore when we made landfall, and electricity comes from a generator for a few hours a week, so there is no ice or cold water to drink. The heat is relentless, and seaweed tastes funny, but we had a great time and after a few days we were back on the boat headed for the unreached Island of Sibolo. There we met with some of the local officials and obtained permission to purchase a small plot of land and build a mission station, which Lord willing will grow in the years ahead.

I wish I had space to tell you more about the trip! Needless to say, the work goes on and we already have two young believers who have expressed a desire to work there upon their graduation. I hope to make another trip back next year and we are in regular contact with the Filipino missionaries, helping them as we are able.

We also asked you to pray about our work with an assembly in Manila and their need for a place to meet. The Lord answered by reuniting us with a couple we disciplined over 20 years ago. They were able to secure a place for us in the complex where they live at a much lower price than the assembly was paying previously. They still need a permanent place, but this is a great answer to prayer in the meantime.

Finally, we asked you to join us in prayer concerning the frequent infections I have been having and since that time there has been no reoccurrence at all. The new medication is working well, and I will have a follow-up appointment with the specialist in the UK to discuss long term use upon our return.

That brings us to our final piece of news. We will be returning to the UK on furlough in November. It has come at a good time really, while we are both in good health and encouraged by all the Lord is doing. We are looking forward to a quiet Christmas with my family in Gloucester.

Jingle continues to run several groups for the ladies each week and they have been doing very well except for one young lady called Mara. Please pray for her. She had been placed under church discipline for her sin and is currently unrepentant.

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