

LORD'S WORK TRUST

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Tanzania

Dar-es-Salam

We had a long, two-hour meeting with the Labour Commissioner this afternoon. It wasn't an easy one! He emphasised the "5-year Work Permit limit for foreigners" became applicable to missionaries 6 years ago.

After we answered questions and explained our work for the Lord, he wouldn't commit either way but gave some small positive signals. The decision will be published on Tuesday!

We also got the impression that if granted, it may well be the last. He did not have our file as it was with Deputy Minister, whom we did not see, had taken it earlier after an encounter, we believe arranged by the Lord, with someone from the CMML Dodoma Office. We leave it in the Lord's hands!

The sequel

'This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.' Psalm 118:23

On our way home from hospital visitation this afternoon, we received a call from Freddie, our contact, to say that the Deputy Minister of Labour had just called to say that Stephen's Appeal had been successful and his Work Permit had been granted: the Ministry of Labour website confirmed this.

The details have not been released, but hopefully when the Permit is collected tomorrow we will know more. The Work Permit then has to be sent from Dodoma to Dar-es-Salaam, probably by bus, where it will be included in Stephen's Residence Permit application. This process should take no longer than 10 working days, and once paid for will release Stephen from all restrictions to serve the Lord at both Kids' Clubs. This is a wonderful outcome and clearly the Lord's doing. Please join us in praising the Lord

We wish to thank all who made this appeal a matter of prayer. We can now re-focus our minds on what the Lord has for us to do for Him in Dar-es-Salaam. There is so much to be done and we are thrilled that our time here in Tanzania has been extended.

"Now to Him Who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to God our Saviour, Who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen." Jude 1:24, 25

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Steve and Gill Davies

Zambia

Loloma

The two teachers at the Nursery School continue to teach 60 children. It is lovely to see these sweet, little Zambian children growing and maturing as they are faithfully taught both academically and spiritually.

Between mid-May and late October is our dry season when Tim is very busy with a number of conferences and gospel outreaches in both the village assemblies and in Loloma. As most of the cooking, eating and sleeping needs to be done outdoors, this is the ideal time for the conferences. Please pray for the many who will hear the Word taught and preached. Tim hopes to fit in another couple of bush conferences and gospel outreaches before the rainy season starts.

Mid-February, due to an accident, David, our 17-year-old son, broke both bones in his lower leg. He spent five months in a cast and then had metal rods inserted into his leg. We are thankful for the medical help he received from Congolese and Italian doctors, and from Dr David MacAdam. His leg has healed well and he is now walking normally but, as yet, forbidden to run or play football. We continue to value prayer for our children, both of whom are home-schooled and have educational choices to make soon for their futures. Also please pray for their friends' salvation and spiritual growth.

Tim continues to spend much time at the mission hospital helping with administration and maintenance but most importantly in preaching the gospel and visiting patients. Those who are suffering are often much more open to the things of the Lord.

Next week we plan to get away for 10 days camping at a game park, and then on to Lusaka for dental and eye check-ups and to purchase fresh supplies. Since it is over a year since we have been away from Loloma, we are looking forward to the break. Even though it is a very hot time of year, it will be good to have time canoeing, bird watching and relaxing. We trust that we will not have an invasion of army ants in our tents, as was the case on a previous visit. Still, we would rather have army ants than snakes visiting.

Thank you again for your very practical kindness, but most of all, for your prayers on our behalf, and for the work of the Lord at Loloma.

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Tim and Joy Beer

India

Gangtok and New Delhi

Gangtok - The last night of any series of meetings is always an emotional occasion when those who have been attending are caused to “count the cost” of trusting Christ. Satan seldom tells them not to get saved, but encourages them to “wait a little longer”. There are so many at this crucial stage in Gangtok, Please pray that deciding grace will be granted to them.

New Delhi - Over a weekend I had the privilege of returning to Connaught Place Assembly located in a shopping centre in New Delhi. Following the gospel meeting we were all greatly encouraged when a young mother trusted the Lord Jesus for Salvation. Her husband was saved 3 years ago and she had been attending regularly ever since. Please pray for their growth in the things of God.

Lastly please remember in prayer gospel meetings that have started in our own assembly in **Cardy, Co. Down** conducted by Stephen Grant. While it is a very different audience from that in India, it is the same God, who is not willing that any should perish.

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Charles Davidson (N Ireland)

Republic of Ireland

Kilmeedy

Thank you for remembering in prayer the recent gospel outreach at the National Ploughing Championships in Co Carlow.

We were blessed with lovely weather, which helped bring out 297,000 people to the three-day event. We distributed around 20,600 John 3:16 bags in addition to a large amount of literature, pens, and pencils as well as material suitable for children. Each day, around 20 believers from all over Ireland helped to man the stand: it was a real joy and privilege to labour with them.

Many good conversations took place during the week. Please pray for “C” a man who, along with his girlfriend “M”, talked at length with two of our helpers. We believe that “C” may have trusted the Lord Jesus before leaving the stand. His girlfriend returned to us to ask more questions about how she could be sure of going to Heaven. A lot of young people and teenagers also stopped to view the stand.

We have started to receive reply cards in from those requesting more literature. Please pray that they and others will come to know the Lord Jesus as they read the Scriptures and related booklets.

We are so thankful for this opportunity to publicly distribute the Word of God and to display Scripture texts to such a large crowd of people. We are also so thankful for the many believers who have laboured with us in different ways to make this outreach possible. Please pray that souls will be saved as a result.

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Andrew and Gillian Shanks

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