

20TH

Exodus 37

ENGLAND Pop. 57 Mil. Birmingham

Nyree is a young man who is very open to the Gospel but has been caught up in a cult-like group for some time. The experience has left him empty and feeling God is far away. We had a good discussion with him and he is now reading his Bible. Pray on. The Thursday after-school children's meeting has stopped in Small Heath due to a lack of progress. Pray for the Gospel in Small Heath and how best to utilise the hall there.

ANDREW/JANELLE MULLAN

21ST

Exodus 38

NEPAL Pop. 29 Mil.

Dhulabari is a large market town on the eastern edge of Nepal, at the base of the Himalaya mountains. A weekly gospel meeting has been held here for many years. It was a great privilege to be with them on 12 January when they broke bread for the first time. Five families form this new assembly and it was good to witness the scriptural order they observed. They will be encouraged by our support in prayer.

CHARLES DAVIDSON (N.I.)

22ND

Exodus 39

BELGIUM Pop. 11.5 Mil. UK 1 Assebroek

A few months ago a woman asked us to pray for her as she needed help in her life. She is now joyful at having been forgiven by the Lord Jesus. Pray for her Christian growth. A Christian friend recently spoke to another woman who was contemplating suicide. She has now started to read the Bible. Please pray for her and her family that they will come to know the Lord as their Saviour.

C. 1999

ANNE DRYBURGH

23RD

Exodus 40

ENGLAND Pop. 57 Mil. Bracknell

We had an encouraging series of eight gospel meetings at Wallingford, with a good number of unsaved attending over the week. This included 15-20 different teenagers on two separate occasions. Please pray for Jon (and his two brothers) who was raised in a JW family. We believe he is searching and trust he will get God's salvation soon.

C. 2014

DANIEL/ELIZABETH RUDGE

24TH

Leviticus 1

SCOTLAND Pop. 5.4 Mil.

The devastation that addiction brings in the lives of individuals and families is heart-breaking. Sadly quite a number of folks we have known have recently passed away – some having overdosed, some through illness and others suicide. One was a lovable rascal who had heard the gospel on a number of occasions. Please pray that this will be a voice to others in difficult circumstances.

MICHAEL/FIONA CORDINER

25TH

Leviticus 2

BOTSWANA Pop. 2.4 Mil. UK 8 Palapye

At a recent gospel meeting in Palapye, it was a joy to see Boipelo, who is studying in Gabarone. Sadly, Boipelo was born with AIDS. She came with her cousin, Tumisang – the first time she has been in the Hall. Vincent was also there and has been attending regularly but is unsaved. We are encouraged by the interest locally as the Lord works in hearts. Onkemetse is a teacher and has asked to come into fellowship. Pray for her and her ongoing spiritual development.

C. 1991

COLIN/ CHRISTINE RAGGETT

26TH

Leviticus 3

N IRELAND Pop. 1.9 Mil.

We have recently had two weeks of gospel meetings with the Drummenagh assembly in Londonderry. They have almost completed their new gospel hall. Before the present one is taken down, they had an exercise to hold these meetings to encourage former Sunday School pupils along with others to return and hear the gospel. Pray for those who came, that God will richly bless them and encourage the assembly as they move into their new premises.

C. 2003

AARON/EUNICE COLGAN

27TH

Leviticus 4:1-26

FRANCE Pop. 67 Mil. UK 40 Meyzieu

In our local assembly in Lyon, systematic Bible teaching has been fruitful and enjoyable – we are now studying in Joshua and Acts. Some of the young Christians are very keen to learn, grow and serve. For the fifth consecutive year we have begun 'marriage enrichment' teaching. It is very sad to see so many Christian marriages flounder in France and it is an area of particular concern. Please pray for us as we continue to labour for the Lord.

C. 1980/84

DAVID/BRIGITTE SUTHERLAND

28TH

Leviticus 4:27 to 5:13

SOUTHERN AFRICA LITERATURE TRUST (SALT)

As demand for gospel literature has grown exponentially in Malawi, we have been improving our ability to store materials regionally in three strategic locations. We feel the need to prioritise the production of children's gospel materials in the future and would value your prayer. At present there are about 500 prison inmates in Malawi doing Bible Correspondence courses in 7 prisons. Pray for this work. Through training seminars conducted by Jim McMaster, we aim to strengthen our relationship with the authorities in Malawi.

C. 2003

STEPHEN/GAIL HARPER

29TH

Leviticus 5:14 to 6:7

BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Santa Maria

Due to my wife's present illness, I am only able to visit Brazil for a few months at a time, planning to be here until Easter. Pray for her ongoing treatment in N Ireland. I have been encouraged, though, by many new faces coming to the hall in Santa Maria. We have just started a series of gospel meetings there. Dona Vera has been coming since last September. Last week her brother in law was killed on his bicycle. We feel God is speaking to her loudly. Please pray for this dear lady.

C. 1988

JOHN/CHRISTINE McCANN

30TH

Leviticus 6:8 to 7:10

ANGOLA Pop. 32 Mil. UK 4 Biula

After much prayer, we have decided to relocate as a family to Vancouver in order to meet the long-term needs of our three younger children. Our older two children Zachary and Ethan are already studying there. I plan to make two or three trips to Biula, Angola each year to maintain contact with the believers here. This will be a significant change for us and those we seek to help in Angola. Pray for grace and help during this transition. Remember the many needs in Angola.

C. 2012 (Can)

SAM/ELIZABETH SIMONE-GINDELE

31ST

Leviticus 7:11-38

IRELAND Pop. 4.8 Mil. UK 16 Dublin

We are having some wonderful times teaching the Word of God in schools locally. These 'Bible Explorer' lessons continue, with over 10 classes per week. Having taught these lessons in English for 22 years, we have now been asked to teach the lessons in an 'All-Irish' school for 5 weeks. We have waited many years for this opportunity to arise. Please pray that God's Word will be a blessing to many.

C. 1974

COLIN/ROSEMARY SHELDON

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March 2020



LOOK ON THE FIELDS

ITEMS FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

With Daily Scripture Readings

1ST

Exodus 20

ALBANIA Pop. 3 Mil. UK 4 Tirana

Now that the earthquake emergency phase is over, the most challenged population affected is the farming community. There are many that cannot return to their homes as they are in danger of collapsing. At the same time, the farmers cannot live elsewhere away from their animals. We are in the process of acquiring a few mobile cabins to assist those families – some of which are believers – cope in the sub-zero temperatures.

C. 2008

ENRIS/SYLVA NASE

2ND

Exodus 21

SPAIN Pop. 46.5 Mil. UK 8 Soria

Many attended our Christmas events and heard the gospel presented clearly. Many good conversations were had afterwards and as a result some have been coming along each week since. We are encouraged by this and pray for their blessing. We also visited a number of residential homes for senior citizens. They eagerly await their new daily reading good seed calendar. We believe many have come to simple saving faith in the Lord Jesus through the daily reading of God's Word. Thank you for your prayers.

C. 1983

JESUS/HELEN ORITZ

3RD

Exodus 22:1 to 23:9

VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Los Altos

Venezuela continues to be burdened with many problems but the people are, generally speaking, very receptive to the Gospel. Cumana is the oldest city in the country and yet the work there has only opened up in the last few years. We have also visited the small new assemblies of Zurita and San Pedrito. It is encouraging to see new believers continuing and wanting to learn. Pray for a rural work started a year ago in Naricual. Over 70 kids attend the children's meeting there each week.

C. 2018 (Ven)

PEDRO/LOIS MALAVE

4TH

Exodus 23:10-33

VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Los Altos

At the end of last year we were able to provide prizes for about 700 children from 11 different Sunday Schools from goods received in boxes from believers and assemblies in the UK and Ireland. This could not have been done without your help and those involved are very grateful. We have also been able to give packages to several hundred believers from neighbouring assemblies and outreach work in the North-east of Venezuela. The Lord has provided in wonderful ways and the work truly belongs to Him.

C. 2018 (Ven)

PEDRO/LOIS MALAVE

5TH

Exodus 24

FRANCE Pop. 67 Mil. UK 40 Nantes

In 2020 we have a renewed burden to pray for blessing in the Gospel in Nantes. Several people come along regularly on a Sunday but are not yet saved. We are praying for a breakthrough with these individuals, several of whom have a believing spouse. A number of young teenagers who have come up through Sunday School also attend. They are not opposed but are drifting along. Pray that their lives will be transformed by the Lord Jesus.

C. 1985/88

GERRY/DOROTHY SEED

6TH

Exodus 25

BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Sacramento, Minas Gerais

Aunt Chrissie came to Brazil in 1960 as a midwife but helped out in the orphanage in Sacramento for many years. She then started a Creche in town and that was her life, looking after children. She is an elderly lady now and for the last six months has been in and out of hospital with lung and heart problems. She has difficulty writing but is very grateful for the prayers and practical support of the Lord's people. She is well looked after by some 'girls' that were brought up in the orphanage, who stay with her to give her company. Please continue to pray for her.

C. 1960 CHRISSIE McSORLEY (written by niece Margaret Crawford)

7TH

Exodus 26:1-30

IRELAND Pop. 4.8 Mil. UK 16 Cootehill

Please pray for the recent door-to-door visitation work locally in Drum, with many good conversations. We plan, God willing, to re-visit these homes in the future and try to build further contacts. We recently had 60 young believers for a Bible Study in the Book of Hebrews. It was so encouraging to see the commitment in these young lives. Gareth and Margaret are planning the annual Postal Bible School Prizegivings, with around 40 venues to attend over the next two months, and about 4,000 prizes to present. Pray for this great opportunity to present God's Word.

C. 1992

NOEL/LIZA McMEEKIN

8TH

Exodus 26:31 to 27:19

BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Descalvado

For some time we have been visiting and studying the Bible with Eduardo and girlfriend Maria. We recently had a gospel meeting in Eduardo's garden. They invited friends and relatives. About 25 sat under a tree as we preached the gospel. Pray for blessing. At the end of February we will be moving to Arame, a very needy area with many towns and villages with little or no Christian witness. Pray for the Lord's continued guidance.

C. 1998 (Brazil)

MARCO/JANICE GEBARA

9TH

Exodus 27:20 to 28:14

ARGENTINA Pop. 45 Mil. UK 6 Parana

In 2019 we witnessed the Lord's hand in blessing in our Province of Entre Rios, which is about the size of Scotland (Pop. 1.4 million). More were baptised and added to the eight local assemblies during the last year than in the previous nine years. In Parana, in addition to the three new assemblies established, 2019 saw two new Gospel outreaches commenced. Distances between towns and assemblies is great. Your continued prayers will be appreciated.

C. 1974

JIM BURNETT

10TH

Exodus 28:15-43

SOUTH AFRICA Pop. 58 Mil. UK 7 George

Please pray for the assembly at Pacaltsdorp, especially the outreach among the children and the work with the mums and toddlers. We are thankful for those who have been baptised and added to the assembly in the last year. We are encouraged at the opportunity to distribute Afrikaans Bible lessons, with the Word of God going into many homes in George, as well as the wider Cape area. Robin has not been as strong recently with a deterioration in his voice and posture. Your continued prayers are appreciated.

C. 2000 (SA)

ROBIN/MARY ROSSOUW

11TH

Exodus 29:1-37

ANGOLA Pop. 32 Mil. UK 4 Camundambala

As we travel back to Angola, we would value your prayers for two young men in the assembly who are a massive encouragement to us. Filipe and Bigel have a real heart for the study of the Scriptures and in helping to teach others. We are thankful to the Lord for what He is doing in their lives. They are both recently married. We pray that God will preserve and use them and their families for His glory.

C. 1993

BRIAN/DEBBIE HOWDEN

12TH

Exodus 29:38 to 30:10

ANGOLA Pop. 32 Mil. UK 4 Camundambala

Chiseque Pedro dropped out of bible class about 4 years ago. He has recently started to attend and is aware of the ground he has lost. As he seeks to prioritise his life again, pray for this young man.

Last year we moved 14,000 Portuguese Bibles beside the constant requirement for Chokwe Bibles. We never seem to have enough Bibles to meet the demand, but it is a good problem to have!

Due to changes at Medical Missionary News, we are looking for guidance on how we store and send containers in the future.

C. 1993

BRIAN/DEBBIE HOWDEN

13TH

Exodus 30:11-38

SOUTH AFRICA Pop. 58 Mil. UK 7 Cape Town

Mabano used to be in fellowship at Bellville but due to an alcohol problem drifted away. We were delighted when he recently contacted us and we have since met on a few occasions. He has also attended a few meetings again. There appears to be a growing interest in spiritual things and we trust he will come back to the Lord. Please pray for him. Please also pray for the outreach at Strand and the work in Trevor Manuel Primary School.

C. 2001

RODNEY/JOY BROWN

14TH

Exodus 31

UKRAINE Pop. 44 Mil. UK 4 Lutsk

The assembly in Lutsk has entered its 18th year. The Lord has been good to us and the assembly has developed numerically and spiritually. The assembly is active in its testimony in the local community. Last year we printed 80,000 gospel tracts, which is a big task with translation, proofreading, design and printing. Pray for the spread of the gospel in Ukraine. Also remember the Child Care work, where children attend the Hall daily in two sessions. In 2020, they are learning to recite the whole of Galatians from memory! God has promised to bless His Word.

C. 1993

TIMOTHY/RHODA SLOAN

15TH

Exodus 32

BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Novo Hamburgo

I have been having a series of gospel meetings in Estancia Velha, which is just beside Novo Hamburgo where we live. There is a small hall there but no assembly. The numbers are fairly good some nights. Two local young brethren share with me and their help is very much appreciated. They and their wives were all brought up by mothers who were saved many years ago. We look to the Lord for His blessing and value your continued prayers.

C. 1967

TOM/DOROTHY MATTHEWS

16TH

Exodus 33:1 to 34:3

INDIA Pop. 1,370 Mil. UK 3 Narsapur

The Lord has been good to us all during the 97 years since the Bethesda Hospital started. We continue to trust Him for ongoing needs and challenges. The motto of Bethesda is 'Great is His Faithfulness'. We presently have 105 children in the campus, including 59 children who attend the school in the campus. All are from leprosy and HIV backgrounds. Please pray for their medical, educational and spiritual needs.

BETHESDA (LEPROSY) HOSPITAL

17TH

Exodus 34:4-35

ENGLAND Pop. 57 Mil. Liverpool

The open-air outreach work continues each Tuesday, first in Liverpool city centre and then later in Huyton town centre. We see some people each week but most only cross our path once. Two weeks ago we were encouraged to see a man called Colin professing faith in the Lord. He has shown a keen interest since. School outreach continues on a weekly basis. We have recently been asked to go to a local Roman Catholic primary school due to the influence of a sister locally. Pray that this door will remain open.

C. 2006

STEPHEN/CAROL BAKER

18TH

Exodus 35

PAKISTAN Pop. 197 Mil. (Written from Liverpool)

The gospel continues to flourish in the Punjab region, with souls saved regularly. Remember Sohail and his family and the Sahiwal assembly. We do weekly Skype video Bible teaching sessions with Sohail and others in order to try and encourage them. Noreen, a 24 year old lady, was in prison for prostitution. She got saved through outreach work in the prison and is now released and delighted in her salvation and deliverance from sin and debt. The Lord is a great Saviour.

C. 2006

STEPHEN/CAROL BAKER

19TH

Exodus 36

VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 4 Cancun Qta. Roo

In January we had the encouragement of seeing an assembly planted here in Cancun. It has been longed and prayed for. We have appreciated the help of many others, including Shad Kember and Charles Davidson (N Ireland) recently – Acts 15:35. The assembly started with 27 in fellowship. Pray earnestly for the work here that God will continue to bless and save souls.

C. 2019 (Ven)

TIMOTHY/AMY TURKINGTON