



# LOOK ON THE FIELDS

## ITEMS FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

With Daily Scripture Readings

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1<sup>ST</sup>

1 Samuel 4 &amp; 5

### ZAMBIA Pop. 18 Mil. UK 40 Chitokoloki

As we think of the current difficulties, we marvel at God's goodness and care through everything. It has been a joy to have the help for nearly a year of our youngest son Jonathan and he has eased my workload a lot. Alas he is leaving in a few days to resume surgical training in Belfast. With the Coronavirus crisis, we were probably safer here in Zambia than in the United Kingdom! So far, we have only had about 1,000 reported cases and about 30 deaths. When cases started getting reported in the capital Lusaka we braced ourselves for the coming onslaught! Thankfully, it never came! During this time I had a nasty attack of malaria followed by gout and was hardly able to move. It was good that Jonathan was able to shoulder much of the workload. Also, Dr Chibwe, a lovely Zambian brother had been posted here by the government as he was doing a research project and he was able to handle all the major surgery. We would value prayer that he may be allowed to stay as he would be a wonderful blessing to the work here. He is also a good minister of the Word of God and enjoys open air preaching and visitation.

C. 1991 9/7/20

DAVID/LORRAINE McADAM

2<sup>ND</sup>

1 Samuel 6 &amp; 7

### ZAMBIA Pop. 18 Mil. UK 40 Chitokoloki

As always, the medical work is varied and challenging. A young man came to us recently, having been paddled up the river over several hours by his father in a canoe. His legs were completely paralysed and I started him on TB treatment, although there seemed no hope of recovery. He lay in the bed for several weeks with no change. Then one morning, as we did our ward round, he said 'Doctor, I can move my feet!'. He continued to improve and is going home this week. This is what we call a miracle. The plane has also proved useful in saving lives. Lukulu hospital, a 3 hour drive away, had operated on a case with massive bleeding that they were unable to fix so they kept the patient anaesthetised while Dr Chibwe and Jonathan were flown down to help after a 10 minute flight. The patient made a full recovery.

C. 1991 9/7/20

DAVID/LORRAINE McADAM

3<sup>RD</sup>

1 Samuel 8:1 to 9:14

### VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Writing from Mexico

We have been in Tijuana, Mexico since the end of February, where Veronica has received treatment for Leukaemia. The response to the treatment has been very slow. We keep trusting our Almighty God. How we value the interest and intercessions of the Lord's people. Our desire to get back to Delta Amacuro in Venezuela is great, but we wait on the Lord. We trust that when flights are available, Veronica will be physically fit for the journey. We also miss greatly our three young boys, who are staying with Alan and Sandra in Barinas. Pray for the believers in Delta Amacuro, who are all babes in Christ. There is still no assembly in this area, with the closest being 2 hours away. Only 3 sisters have phones, so we send them audio messages which they share with the other believers. David Perez is going there to help out for a few weeks and would value your prayers.

C. 2014 (Ven) 17/7/20

WILLIAM/VERONICA TURKINGTON

### BOTSWANA Pop. 2.4 Mil. UK 8 Gaborone

We have had the privilege of meeting again as an assembly for quite a number of weeks now. What a joy this is, although the new 'normal' takes a bit of getting used to! Clark and Hazel have been visiting the elderly saints who are in villages outside of Gaborone and who are unable to come in for meetings on Lord's Day. Hazel and I have been sewing face masks (It is requested here to wear them) and packing them in a Ziploc with 3 tracts. We have sewn over 1,000 now and 700 of these went to believers working in 3 different hospitals in our area, who personally gave them to nurses and patients. We do pray that God's Word will bring salvation. We really value your prayers for us at this time.

C. 1990 6/7/20

JOY GRIFFITHS

5<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 11 &amp; 12

### IRELAND Pop. 4.8 Mil. UK 16 Greystones

In Bray assembly we try regularly to have sessions on creation in order to address some of the key issues raised by individuals. We had a meeting in Bray about Answering Atheism, followed by a seminar of questions and answers at our home. We also hosted Simply the Story (STS) once again. This oral method of Bible study is very dear to our heart, as we use it most days, whether in daily devotions with ourselves and the travellers, or as we witness to travellers we visit or in street outreach. Although Coronavirus has seriously restricted many opportunities, we hope to use STS at the Ploughing Championships and at Ballinasloe Horse Fair, with mostly gypsies and travellers in attendance! We continue to deliver food parcels daily, along with Christian literature and love! We also reach out to the homeless from our bookshop. Please pray for our contacts and our family.

C. 1991/2002 (USA) 23/7/20

JIM/KATHY MORIARTY

6<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 13

### MALAWI Pop. 19 Mil. Writing from N Ireland

After a potential land acquisition fell through, we were offered an alternative 1.3 acre site a few days later. Although a lot smaller, it is much more strategically located for the work. We have now concluded the purchase in the last few weeks. The site at Saidi is less than 2km from the main highway and close to our former home. This development comes at an exciting time for the work and gives us confidence to move forward. In the short term we hope to erect a perimeter wall to secure the site and build a hall and accommodation for young people's work, gospel preaching and bible studies. Our ex-landlord has given us a deadline of 31 August to remove a 40ft shipping container which holds essential equipment for the work. We see the purchase of the land as the Lord's providing to meet this immediate need. Thank you for your continued prayers.

C. 2003 13/7/20

STEPHEN/GAIL HARPER  
(S. Africa Literature Trust)7<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 14

### ANGOLA Pop. 32 Mil. UK 4 Writing from Vancouver, Canada

The Lord opened the way for us to leave home in Angola at the end of June through a set of circumstances that clearly showed God's hand guiding in each step of the way. It was a long trip lasting over 5 days and included a 25 hour drive in Angola to get the first of our four flights. The pandemic has definitely not made travel any easier! The local saints from Carleton Gospel Hall had very kindly prepared a home for us to quarantine and live in, investing considerable time and effort to repaint and fix the plumbing and electrical in order to make it comfortable. We are very grateful. I plan to return to part-time secular medical work in Canada while remaining involved as a self-supporting missionary in the work of the Lord in Angola. I would like to return 2 or 3 times each year if possible. Pray for the process of getting my Canadian medical license and finding suitable employment. A life of faith is no less needful in Canada than it was in Angola.

C. 2012 (Can) 17/7/20 SAMUEL/ELIZABETH SIMONE-GINDELE

8<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 15

**BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Tupi Paulista**

The news media does give a miserable picture of Brazil under the current pandemic. However, the feedback from saints in the north, north east and mid east is quite encouraging. For example, the present death rate in Manaus, Amazonas is now back to pre virus levels. Tupi Paulista, where we are, has been blessed by the Lord and many unbelievers are recognising this. There have been no deaths at all associated with the virus. The main problem areas in Brazil are the large cities of San Luis, Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo where social distancing is impossible in such close living conditions, in addition to poor sanitation. There continues to be good opportunities for the Gospel. Last Wednesday two women came to our home for a Bible study. One of them is genuinely seeking salvation. Also, please pray for Igor. He is 26, serving with the Brazilian air force and has brain cancer. He recently underwent surgery in Sao Paulo. His survival possibilities were very low. However, after much prayer, the Lord has granted a sudden improvement, to the surprise of the medical staff. He has a close friend who is a believer and has helped him regarding the Gospel. We consider that the Lord is giving him an opportunity to be saved.

C. 1974 14/7/20

JOHN/CLAUDETE AXFORD

9<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 16

**SCOTLAND Pop. 5.5 Mil. Aberdeenshire**

The Bible principle from the book of proverbs is true – People make their plans but God orders their steps. Consequently, instead of planned involvement with Bible Exhibitions, I have used the time to familiarise myself with the ‘digital world’ and to explore the possibilities for its use in presenting the Good News to children. As an answer to prayer, a teacher who runs the SU group with me at Dyce Academy in Aberdeen gave me permission to run the group via an online meeting – something usually impossible for a non-staff member. Please pray urgently that two teenagers in the group will be preserved and protected during the summer months and that their Christian lives may flourish for the glory of God. Your prayers would also be appreciated as we continue to develop the children’s messages digitally and share the greatest news of eternal hope in Jesus Christ!

15/7/20

GRAEME/FIONA SMITH

10<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 17:1-31

**BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Writing from Wales**

As Dorothy is undergoing treatment for cancer, we have been confined to the farm where we live in Wales since March. We are thankful that we can take a walk without being exposed to the virus. We are also grateful that our main work for the Lord – translation work – can continue or even increase during ‘lockdown’. We have recently finished translating the fourth volume of Alan Summers’ Bible Class Notes into Portuguese for distribution in Angola and have started on volume 5. We are also working on chapter 25 of John Riddle’s ‘What the Bible teaches’ commentary on Isaiah. In Brazil, we understand things are quite bad in some places. In Pirassununga, where we used to live, the believers have now been allowed to start meeting again, but with severe restrictions, which sadly prohibit Breaking Bread. We are only aware of two cases of Covid-19 among believers known to us in Brazil. Some of the Brazilian evangelists are posting gospel messages on social media. We pray that this may produce fruit.

C. 1985 7/7/20

TERRY/DOROTHY BLACKMAN

11<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 17:32-58

**ZAMBIA Pop. 18 Mil. UK 40 Loloma**

Generally we have been greatly blessed in comparison to the world Covid-19 situation, as there have been no confirmed corona cases in our area. However, new regulations for church gatherings, together with rules on social distancing, face masks and hand washing are all still in place. Schools are only open for grades 7, 9 and 12 pupils (being the examination classes). Assembly meetings are time restricted but it was special to meet with the saints once again. Following confirmation by the local council, we hope to start our village visitation programme soon. We have been missing this important means of outreach and contact with many people.

C. 1997 16/7/20

TIMOTHY/JOY BEER

12<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 18:1 to 19:7

**ZAMBIA Pop. 18 Mil. UK 40 Loloma**

We plan to relocate the hospital pharmacy during the next couple of months into a more suitable location. The supply of blood is an ongoing challenge, together with the sourcing of medicines. We are very thankful though for the support of MMN, which enables us to place one order 2 or 3 times a year to cover many of the essential items. God willing we will be receiving another doctor in the next two months, the first to come through a sponsorship programme. He is a brother in the Lord and has done very well in his studies, so we value prayer that he will be much used of the Lord. In terms of the elderly people in need of care, we have recently added two more, bringing the current total to 29. One is a keen Christian lady who used to help in distributing gospel literature. We are happy to include them both with the others who the Lord faithfully provides for. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers for us and the work of the Lord throughout this area.

C. 1997 16/7/20

TIMOTHY/JOY BEER

13<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 19:8 to 20:42

**JAPAN Pop. 127 Mil. Koshogaya**

It is now 18 months since the Lord led us back to serve Him in Japan once again, for such a time as this. Our hearts are full of praise for all the ways in which the Lord has preserved us through various struggles, including my cancer diagnosis. We are hopefully coming to the end of this year’s rainy season, which has brought disaster to many parts of the country. About 80 people have died so far, with a further 12 missing. Over one million people were asked to evacuate their homes. The oldest member of the assembly in Koshigaya is aged 90 and was especially thrilled when we were able to meet up again after the Covid-19 State of Emergency. Face to face evangelistic activity is sadly still not possible. The assembly has been putting gospel messages on YouTube and we pray that the Lord will bless this opportunity to reach a wider audience. Please continue to pray for our new little grandson Ellis who has been in ICU in Dokkyo University Hospital for over a month. Although improving, he is not home yet. When Ellis does get home, he will need special care for 8 or 9 months until his surgery. However, the Lord is good, and His Joy has been our strength.

C.1988 15/7/20

NOEL/EILEEN HAMILTON

14<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 21 &amp; 22

**N. Ireland Pop. 1.8 Mil. Tandragee, Co. Armagh**

None of us had foreseen the experiences of 2020. We would never have written the story as it turned out to be. It has been precious to know that God has been standing watching in the shadows as the months of isolation have passed. How often we need to be reminded that God has a long-term plan in view while our dim eyes fix so readily on the stormy present. We are glad for any liberties that have opened up for testimony in the gospel. Open-air meetings have been a good step forward. I shared with brother David Strachan for three weeks of meetings in a car park at Newtownabbey recently and the steady local interest was most encouraging. There is little doubt that, one way or another, the gospel has reached some in this unusual time who may otherwise not have heard. The seed is good and we wait in confidence for fruit.

C. 2019 11/7/20

RAYMOND/LOUSIA KIRKPATRICK

15<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 23 &amp; 24

**PERU Pop. 32.5 Mil. UK 2 Lima**

The situation in Peru remains difficult. After a period of very strict regulations, this is the first week in which we are permitted to leave the house for non-essential things. No children or adults over 60 are allowed to leave the house at present. A curfew at night remains but the government have been forced to relax some of the rules, as many face the danger of starvation without permission to work. There is still a large number of infections and a worry about a second wave. Thankfully the food situation has improved. During the time spent at home I have been able to concentrate further on the literature work which has proved so vital here. I am also looking at producing large Bible texts for display in the city. Please pray for us and for a genuine work of God to be done in Peru.

C. 2017 9/7/20

CHRIS/MICHELLE BERESFORD

16<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 25

**ZIMBABWE Pop. 15 Mil. UK 7 Bulawayo**

Covid-19 infection rates have not been very high in Zimbabwe, although recently there has been a rapid increase. There have been 4 deaths here in Bulawayo. The borders are closed for travel, except for commercial truckers. Some of the staple foods can be difficult to find. Inflation has been running strongly. At the beginning of the year, one US dollar was worth about 20 local Zimbabwe dollars – now it is worth about 100 local dollars. Wages have not kept pace with prices, which has been a cause for some discontent. I have had some difficulty in getting food aid to the needy assembly believers in the Harare area. Although I was given police clearance to travel to Harare, the army took over roadblocks and many other obstacles made it impossible to go. However, by phoning friends in Harare and asking them to help turned out very well in the end. I have been asked to take a mid-week bible study in the assembly on prophetic events. The crisis seems to have awakened an interest in prophecy. Our prayer is, as so often, ‘Amen! Come, Lord Jesus’.

C. 1976 13/7/20

DERYCK JONES

17<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 26 &amp; 27

**VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Los Altos**

In Venezuela it has been over three months since we met in the hall and we miss gathering to His name but we understand He is Lord of the Harvest and His providence is always for our wellbeing. We have been using WhatsApp to try and share ministry with the assembly and inform of specific prayer points. However, the internet is not very good here and only 38 out of 110 in fellowship have access to it. It has still been helpful to keep in touch though. Last month we decided to walk 3 hours to Zurita and visit some of the brethren there. There has been no fuel in the country for 3 months and, like many others, our vehicles were kept for emergency use only. After arriving (and getting our breath back!) we left the kids playing with local friends and visited some of the homes of believers. They have little materially but are happy and express continually God’s faithfulness to them. It is amazing how our visit to encourage ended up with us feeling uplifted and encouraged ourselves!

C. 2018 (Ven) 7/7/20

PEDRO/LOIS MALAVE

18<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 28 &amp; 29

**SCOTLAND Pop. 5.5 Mil. Forres, Moray**

We have been living through strange times, but as in every other circumstance of life we testify to the faithfulness of God. Last week I had the responsibility of conducting the funeral service of a lady from the town. She had her first contact with the hall in Forres around 70 years ago through coming to the Sunday School (Two of her Sunday School teachers are still with us in Fellowship!). For a number of years she came regularly to the gospel meeting. Although her learning capacity was restricted, she had a simple appreciation of spiritual things. She loved the hymn singing and one of her carers recounted how in latter days the reading of the psalms had given her much peace. There were 25 allowed to attend her funeral, most of whom would be unbelievers. Pray for their blessing. As restrictions ease, we have been able to make personal visits to some of the older saints and seek to encourage them through the scriptures.

7/7/20

AINSLIE/SHEILA PATERSON

19<sup>TH</sup>

1 Samuel 30 &amp; 31

**SOUTH AFRICA Pop. 58 Mil. UK 7 Cape Town**

Greetings from a very chilly Cape Town where winter has descended with a vengeance. I have had two surgeries for basal cell carcinoma on my nose and leg in the last month. It was a bit scary having to go into hospital during Covid-19, but the Lord gave great peace. Although personal outreach is restricted, I am able to stay in contact with the prisons and the Rehab centres virtually and by phone. I also had contact last week with one of the women who was in Rehab last year. She is in her 40’s and has been a heroine addict for more than 10 years. She was expressing her anger at God for ‘not helping her kick the habit’. I was able to pray with her on the phone and her attitude softened. Pray that the literature she was given in Rehab will be read by her and be a blessing to her.

C. 1997 9/7/20

RUTH VAN STORMBROEK

20<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 1

**BOLIVIA Pop. 11.5 Mil. UK 2 Cochabamba**

Thank you all so much for your prayers and support at this time. We are being badly hit at the moment by the Coronavirus. This week is a complete lockdown but, saying that, we have a lot of rebellious people who don’t want to obey and are fighting with the police. The poverty is great but the government is helping all they can with goods and money. The assembly too is trying to help the believers who are in need. Our young people are cooking meals for the people living on the street from Venezuela – many with babies and young children. The hospitals are full and now most of the people are being treated in their own homes. There is no room in the cemetery either! We would also value your prayers for David and Miriam Trott. David is from the USA and Miriam from Argentina. They have fellowshipped with us for 6 years, previously being missionaries in Angola for 10 years. They leave tomorrow for the USA as their two boys are going to study there.

C. 1977 5/7/20

MARIO/HELEN PONCE

21<sup>ST</sup>

2 Samuel 2

**PANAMA Pop. 4.2 Mil. UK 4**

Annie Johnson Flint’s lovely hymn ‘He giveth more grace when the burdens grow greater’ has become a real source of encouragement as well as teaching for us. Often it has come into our minds in the present troubles. We are over 115 days in lockdown, only allowed out 3 hours a week. The majority have not worked for almost 4 months. With little assistance from the government we are finding that there are many needs and the Lord is filling our hands with a work. We spend much of our days purchasing, packing and distributing food and needed items to many families and homes. The Lord miraculously provided us with a special letter of permission from the Police to be able to be out beyond our limited hour to distribute. We include gospel literature in every box and try to have a little word in the gospel at each house.

C. 2006 7/7/20

BYRNE/LOIS FORESHEW

22<sup>ND</sup>

2 Samuel 3

**PANAMA Pop. 4.2 Mil. UK 4**

We have been using Zoom, Instagram and WhatsApp to reach believers with encouragement and the unsaved with the gospel. There are no indications in sight that things will be able to reopen in the near future. Our numbers of positive cases and deaths are rising rapidly. Our health system is collapsing under the weight of the pandemic, with very few ICU beds available in the whole country and a huge lack of medical equipment and resources. At least 3 believers in fellowship have had the virus and many of their family members. Our province is one of the ‘hotspots’ for the virus. Our daughter Alysia turns 7 on December 5<sup>th</sup> and she wondered is she could have her birthday party via Zoom – hopefully things improve before then! On a positive note, a young lady was baptised on March 8<sup>th</sup> – on the last day the assembly was together. Her husband and two children are not saved. May the Lord preserve her and save her family as well.

C. 2006 7/7/20

BYRNE/LOIS FORESHEW

23<sup>RD</sup>

2 Samuel 4 &amp; 5

**BOTSWANA Pop. 2.4 Mil. UK 8 Gaborone**

Botswana is easing out of lockdown and the assembly is now allowed to meet twice a week with no more than 50 attendees. However, we are so thankful to the Lord for His goodness and mercy to us. Children are not allowed to gather with us, so a virtual Sunday School has helped some of them to keep in touch. Open-air gospel work has resumed by using a loud speaker and remaining within the vehicle. We have four locations around one of the gospel halls where we used to visit weekly. A teenage girl, the eldest of four daughters of a couple in fellowship here, was saved recently. She has been long prayed for. Our beloved brother, Jim Legge, was recently called home after a coronavirus infection. For over 50 years he poured out his life here in Africa. He will be greatly missed.

C. 1982 6/7/20

CLARK/HAZEL LOGAN

24<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 6

**WALES Pop. 3.1 Mil. Pembrokeshire**

We have been visiting older people who live alone during lockdown, saved and unsaved. Although unable to meet in their houses, the good weather has allowed us to meet them in their gardens. The work on the Swansea docks has also continued and although the seamen have not been allowed to get off their ships, we can still help by running errands for them. We also leave Bibles and tracts with them. We have also been able to commence our open air meeting in the centre of Swansea. A good number come and sit for a short time and the Lord gives us much joy in this work. Please also pray for assembly testimony here in Wales, as four assemblies have closed in the past four months and many others are very small with aged saints.

8/7/20

DAVID/LILY MORGAN

25<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 7

**VENEZUELA Pop. 28.5 Mil. UK 7 Palo Negro**

We are keeping well as a family and the children have finished school for another year. Richard is now going to High School, German into Primary 7 and Aisney will be starting Primary 1, Lord willing. We look to the Lord to bring them up in His fear. We would ask you to make their salvation a matter of earnest prayer. Yesterday was the 16<sup>th</sup> Lord's Day that we were not able to break bread. We long to get back but it may be a while yet. About half of the cases and deaths reported have happened during the last 2 weeks. Only pharmacies and food shops are allowed to open from today. We have been busy preparing books for publishing and trust that these will be a blessing to believers here and further afield. WhatsApp is being used to send encouragement to believers and gospel messages to the community at large. Pray that God will bless this work.

C. 1999 6/7/20

SAMUEL/SHARON USSHER

26<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 8 &amp; 9

**ANGOLA Pop. 32 Mil. UK 4 Camundambala**

Without the assurances we have as believers as to the future, these would be disturbing times indeed. The needs here on every hand are pretty overwhelming and with no government help at all, many people are finding life very tough. It is sometimes hard to know who and how to best help when bombarded with such need everywhere. The need to show compassion and discernment is constant. We have also been able to commence a couple of smaller Bible study groups, at the same time as Filipe and Bijel have restarted their groups too. Once there is further relaxation in the restrictions, we can start the other studies. During this time of emergency, we have, through the goodness of the Lord's people, been able to help a good number of smaller assemblies and individuals with food and clothing. This has been much appreciated, since the cost of goods locally has spiralled recently. The Emmaus work is suffering badly due to lockdown. Hopefully this improves soon. Please continue to pray for us and Angola.

C. 1993 27/6/20

BRIAN/DEBBIE HOWDEN

27<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 10 &amp; 11

**MIDDLE EAST – EMMAUS UPDATE**

We have managed to translate John Lennox's very recent book 'Where is God in a Corona Virus world?' into Arabic and have made it available for download on social media and the website. Distribution of Bibles to local book and gift stores stopped overnight from mid-February. The income from these sales supports a large part of our operational costs. Please pray for this matter. Egypt has a population of almost 100 million and is very densely populated in the cities. The number of Covid-19 cases is rising fast and most people are ignoring the restrictions, so it continues to spread. Loss of income in an already struggling population is having a severe impact on families. Pray for our director Hany and all the believers in Egypt that they may be kept safe. On a personal note, please pray for my sister and her son (aged 15) in Glasgow, Scotland. She lost her husband to the virus in April. It has been a huge shock to her and all the family. He loved the Lord, which is a great comfort for them.

28/6/20

GEORGE/ROS KHALIL

28<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 12

**BRAZIL Pop. 214 Mil. UK 20 Descalvado**

The situation here in Brazil is not good. Hundreds are dying daily, mostly in the big towns. Here is Descalvado, there have been 2 deaths and less than 100 people sick, most being treated in their own homes. I try to keep in touch with the sisters from the assembly by phone and send them short messages which have been sent to me. I keep in touch daily with the family and Bill comes here every week to keep an eye on me! I am so thankful that the translation work and revision of the commentaries also keeps me well occupied. As my dad used to say, we keep going as far as we can see, and see how far we can go. Yours prayerful interest is much appreciated.

C. 1960 6/7/20

JANETA WATTERSON

29<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 13

**INDIA Pop. 1,370 Mil. UK 3 Narsapur**

Narsapur has many cases of Covid-19. However, the Staff faithfully attend to the duties of the hospital. Due to the lockdown situation, we carry on only essential skeleton work. Around 15 leprosy and AIDS patients are coming to the hospital as out patients. We do not refuse any patient who is coming in need of admission. A few days ago a woman AIDS patient came in the middle of the night in a very serious condition. We took her, gave her treatment and showed her the love of the Lord Jesus Christ as best we could. After a few hours she sadly died. The relatives refused to take her body and hence she was buried in Bethesda cemetery. At present there are 31 children in George Muller Home (all with HIV/AIDS). Thank you for your prayer and support.

2/7/20

BETHESDA (LEPROSY) HOSPITAL

30<sup>TH</sup>

2 Samuel 14

**FRANCE Pop. 67 Mil. UK 40 Writing from Aix-en-Provence**

We have come to stay with our daughter Catrina and her husband Tim in Aix-en-Provence. We are thankful to God for the opportunity to have a short break from our normal routine. It is a new area to us, with a very different climate and many interesting places to visit. Things will be quieter in Nantes during the summer, with midweek Zoom meetings on hold for now. The Sunday meetings continue to be sent out via YouTube but can also be attended by those who choose to come along – however, not many are doing so. It is a matter for prayer that the believers will in due course come back to real meetings.

C. 1985/88 11/7/20

GERRY/DOROTHY SEED

31<sup>ST</sup>

2 Samuel 15

**ETHIOPIA Pop. 112 Mil. UK 4 Writing from Scotland**

I am just recovering from a fall on my bike when I broke 5 ribs. The recovery has been very slow, with the pain during the first few weeks almost unbearable. The healing process continues but I feel that I am only beginning to make some progress. I am in daily contact with the brethren in Ethiopia and although, thankfully, the number of official cases of Covid-19 is relatively very low, the situation in the countryside could be worse. At the moment there is no internet in Ethiopia following the death of a well-known singer in Addis, who was friendly with the Prime Minister. Nobody seems to know who is responsible. The believers need our prayers. Thankfully none of them have been affected by the virus so far.

C. 1969 6/7/20

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