



Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. 2 Timothy 4:2

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Lord willing, we are planning to take our furlough from April 4th through the middle of May 2021. Be praying with us that the current situation will have improved enough for us to travel.

Northern Ireland is one of the places in Europe that has been least affected by Covid 19. There have been 88,700 confirmed cases with 1,460 deaths. This is out of a population of 1.8 million people. The infection rate is .49% nowhere near 1%. The death rate is .08%. They never tell us how many have recovered. Also, the death rate includes anyone who dies within 28 days of testing positive for Covid 19.

The family in our church, who are on the front line in the Covid 19 pandemic are Kerry a doctor and his wife Margaret a nurse. That have remained Covid free. Chandi, who works in a nursing home is still Covid free. However, there were several cases in the nursing home where she works. Thankfully, the home is now Covid free.

Northern Ireland is in the middle of a six week lockdown. This time churches are allowed to stay open. Social distancing, wearing of face coverings and hand sanitizing procedures are required. We are still using the 1 meter distancing rule. This has made it possible for us to continue having services on Sundays. Several of our folk have chosen not to attend for the next few weeks. So, we will be making mp3 audio files and DVDs available to them. Also, our midweek Bible study will be suspended until after February 6th.

With the social distancing of 2 meters (6½ ft.), we won't be able to get back to door to door visitation for awhile. We have been distributing Gospels of John with a tract about Covid 19 and the need to turn to God and a leaflet about the church. Even this has to stop at least until February 6th.

We had one man call my phone leaving a message. He found the information in his mail box. It was soaking wet. He took a hair dryer and dried it out. Having read the gospel of John and the tract, he gave his life to Christ and asked me to contact him. The problem is that he did not leave a phone number nor an address. I do not know how to get in touch with him. Pray that he calls back and we can establish contact.

The new family, that is attending the church, are a real blessing for. This is an answer to our prayers. For several years we have asked you to pray with us that God would send us a family with children. Now, pray with us that we will see other families with children joining with us.

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. We appreciate you all and need your prayers.

Yours in Christ,

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