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"You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you." (Isaiah 26:3)

## June 2021 Prayer/Newsletter

Dear praying friends,

Our warmest love and greetings to you in the wonderful name of Jesus!

### Travelling Ministry:

Over 14 months have passed since the start of Covid and I remain in the very early stages of trying to rebuild the itinerate ministry. This is a situation I never envisaged happening; what has taken 43 years to establish, has suddenly been decimated by a virus, almost overnight! It's a substantial blow, but in it all, we thank God He has made us more conscious than ever of His unchanging faithfulness and goodness.

During this entire period of Covid, God is working amazing miracles! Early on we took a decision not to apply to the Government for the 'Furlough Scheme,' but to trust Him entirely. He has honoured this, and through wonderful friends of the ministry, the Lord continues to meet our needs. We give heartfelt thanks to those who have stood by us, giving prayerful and practical support which has been such a tremendous encouragement.

### Other Meetings:

Since we last wrote Gail and I have been kept busy speaking at a combination of Zoom meetings, a small amount of 'live meetings', Open-Air meetings, and also taking a series of teaching on evangelism at the church we attend. As a result of these seminars it's been a delight to see a good number of our church join us in the outreach in Leicester. Our Pastor is enthusiastic for the gospel being shared, and he's been a great encouragement! On Easter Sunday we had a powerful outdoor meeting in front of the church building, with many people drawn to stop and listen. Throughout the event, literature was given out, and at the end, helium filled balloons were released with gospel tracts attached to them. It was an incredible sight to see the Word of God spread, far and wide, in this unusual way. We know only eternity will reveal the results of that day, but we are confident that what the Lord inspired, He will bless and prosper.

### Home Visitation:

Part of our ministry during Covid has been to visit people and minister to them in their homes. This has been very worthwhile and we thank God for such opportunities:

**Eileen** from Leeds found our website, and phoned to ask if we'd make contact with her 40 year old brother **Tom**, who was going through a very difficult time. Following a few phone calls, we went to visit him at his home. He warmly welcomed us in, and we spent 2 hours talking and praying with him. He shared about growing up with religion, his addiction to drugs, suicidal thoughts and despair. As we ministered to Tom, the power of the Spirit came with salvation and deliverance into his life. His enthusiasm was such, he wanted to be baptised right away, so the bath was filled and we baptised him there and then! He came up out of the waters a changed man, praising God, and on fire for Jesus! Since then, he's been going out with his cousin to preach in Nottingham, and has joined us on two occasions at the Clocktower in Leicester, witnessing one-to-one, and boldly giving his testimony over the microphone.

Another home visit was to a young lady, **Savannah**; we delivered a food parcel to her. The dear girl is a pregnant teenager, estranged from her Muslim family, due to her pregnancy. Living in temporary accommodation in a rundown area, and having no contact with her neighbours, she just goes into her flat, shuts the door and is alone. We talked with her about the Christian faith, and she was happy for us both to pray with her. Further contact has been kept up by Gail, through texts, and she greatly appreciates this.

### Children's Homes:

We thank God that even with the financial challenges of Covid, we're still able to support each of the Children's Homes every month, in Honduras, Nepal, India, Myanmar, and Thailand. The Lord is wonderfully blessing these works. Staff and children are well and safe from the virus, though India and Nepal are being hit badly, as it has spread again very quickly, having devastating effects. Also, Myanmar is experiencing great difficulties and in need of God's grace, due to the military coup that has occurred there. Please would you continue to pray for the protection of the children and staff in every area, that in all the uncertainties they face, their faith will be unshakable.

### Local Open-Air Outreach:

Apart from when it wasn't permitted by the Government, we've continued to share the Gospel in Leicester City for 2 days each month. On several occasions we've stood preaching in torrential rain, but we praise God for an abundance of fruit, regardless of the weather! Our Team has increased in number most weeks, and all of them take the opportunity to boldly, and effectively preach with us.

**A young lady** picked up one of the John's Gospel from on top of the Amplifier. She was asked if she had a Bible at home - her reply was 'yes', then she started crying. Taking her to one side, the team member discovered the woman was a Christian with great anxieties and fear. To comfort her, she put her hand on the lady's arm. Her eyes closed and she started rocking. Knowing it wouldn't be possible to hold her up, or get behind her, the worker held her arms with both hands, while also gaining the attention of another team member who ran over to catch her.

Now on the ground, the woman started manifesting, so by the power of the Spirit, deliverance was brought to her. When they went to the nearby seats this manifesting continued, and further deliverance came. Her legs and hands started to shake violently so another team member joined; established her relationship with God for their own understanding, then prayed and there was peace. However, strong manifestations began again. This time the demons were firmly commanded to stop their antics and just come out! The young lady was given further help for 2 hours; talking, listening and receiving counsel, so that when she walked away, she did so saying she had immense peace. Regular contact went on for some weeks, followed by text's from time to time.

**Lyal** told several team members he was a homeless Christian and was prayed for by them. As they left, one of the workers felt to stay. Talking in the torrential rain, it was discovered he was vulnerable to suicide, when he showed dreadful scars on both arms. Lyal said he'd made another attempt to take his life a week ago. So, encouraged to go under the shelter of a doorway with the team member, his story unfolded, and authority was taken over various tormenting spirits. Unfortunately his friend arrived so he needed to leave, but was extremely thankful. Join us in prayer please, that he shall not die but live & declare the works of the Lord, and God will bring him back for more counsel and prayer.

19 year old **Jessica** asked to join us in evangelism. She witnesses with her own church, but was very keen to share more. As she was waiting for her Mum, she took some tracts to distribute, and was a delight to watch as she confidently made contact with as many as she could. Gail is keeping in touch with her and we look forward to seeing her again.

**Harry** aged 18, heard God's answer to depression and suicide mentioned by the preacher. He talked with one of our new team members, who spoke to him at length. Another worker was called over to join in prayer. The opportunity was taken to testify and share Jesus with Harry. He spoke of going to a previous girlfriend's JW meeting, so the difference with believers in Christ was explained. He was reluctant at the time to commit, but he said he would talk to God that evening. This was followed by prayer for his mother Lorraine, who he's a Carer for. He was given a John's Gospel booklet, two of our phone numbers, and encouraged to look at '*The Father's Love Letter*' on YouTube.

### Gail's Report:

After breaking my foot on 1<sup>st</sup> March, I was prescribed 100 Co-codomol 30/50. Following the instructions, for a few days, I took 8 in 24 hours. After that, I took only when necessary. Surprisingly, suicidal thoughts and depression came upon me, though I was convinced there was no reason to feel this way. 6 or 7 weeks later, I'd had enough; crying to God that '*it was for freedom that Christ set me free*'. I discovered online there's a connection between the pills and what I was going through, so I stopped them immediately. The condition was later confirmed by two GP's as being a side-effect of the Co-codomol. After 10 days, they'd left my system; I was back to normal. While I was struggling, God told me to give testimony at church. He also wanted it to go to other churches, and on YouTube. I said a firm "*no*", but He prompted me again so I started making notes for church. After that, God didn't stop prompting, reluctantly, in obedience, I recorded a message. Positive feedback has been sent on email, text and there's two encouraging comments on YouTube. If you're interested, it's called '*God's Help in Times of Depression – Gail Hadley*'.

Over 2 years, occasionally I'd invite **Marie** to join me at one of our services. Having been hurt by her church, she hadn't attended for many years. A month ago God told her to call me, and she came along. At the end of the meeting, she was keen to have prayer. The presence and love of God was tangible. One of the Leaders shared powerful insight; I knew what he said was from God, and walked away crying with joy, thanking the Lord. Back at home she slept for hours. The following week she received more Spirit-filled prayer through myself and others. Hallelujah!

**Neil**, who has bipolar, came to church for 2 years, then 18 months ago he married. His wife joined us in 2 services then refused to come; so he stopped. Recently the tormenting voices he hears became so intense, he needed to go into a respite home. Once more, I shared the freedom he could have in Christ, but again he said he wasn't interested. I spoke with his wife, who was furious at my gentle suggestion there was more to Christ than the Catholic teaching she grew up with. We continue to pray that all the seeds sown in faith over the years will eventually bear fruit.

At church, **a lady** shared health issues, causing her great anxiety. When she came for prayer the power of God was immense, bringing healing, and she gave thanks to the Lord. However, I felt there was something else, so pressed her. She agreed some pain remained in her stomach. Authority was taken again, and she was completely set free!

### Family News:

Our daughter-in-law **Vicky** is deteriorating with incurable Behcets disease, and still waiting for an appointment with the Consultant. **Danny's** urine infections continue; over 3 months with no solution. **Robbie's** had throat infections for over a year, and can't get an answer as to why the '*urgent*' Specialist appointment has not yet come. It's almost a year since **Naomi** lost her partner. Last month, on Facebook, she left a comment that it was '*only her two little ones that gave her any reason for living*'. We visit her regularly, have the children round, and keep her in prayer for salvation and healing.

Just days after the Co-codomol had left her system, and Gail was back to herself - on 25<sup>th</sup> May she heard the shocking news her cousin had been murdered. Two days later, discovering who'd killed her, the already deep pain increased. She remained in unbearable heartache for a few days. God reached her as the anchor of her soul, healing her broken heart, and binding up her wounds. Great pain remains - but with a profound stillness of peace that transcends all understanding.

As heart-breaking as all these things are, we rejoice that '*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble.*' - Without Him, it would all be too overwhelming, but with Him, we are kept in perfect peace.

Thank you once again for all your love and care. We are very grateful for your continued prayers.

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