I MUST WORK WHILE IT IS DAY

AT HOME AND ABROAD

THE NIGHT COMETH WHEN NO MAN CAN WORK



Gospel tent ministry

During the year we have been conscious that "The Lord is my helper" (Hebrews 13:6) and daily we look up and say "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord which made heaven and earth" (Psalm 121:1). With the Lord's help changes have been made and challenges have been met after the Covid pandemic.

Taking the gospel into local communities using tents has entered the 16th year and has been particularly busy and challenging as the outreach work has been extended and expanded in the north of Romania. There have been new developments after months planning for tent outreach in rural and urban areas in N. & N.E. Romania.

Bridge building into local communities takes time but it has been very encouraging to see large numbers of children enthusiastically engaged in the activities in the tent. Bible verses and choruses learnt have remained with them and were repeated to parents at home and at the special gospel meeting on the final day. As the school holidays are long parents expressed their appreciation for the time and effort put in to bring so much joy to their children, some living in more isolated communities. Whole assemblies have worked together in their local communities and people are getting to know the believers better.



As well as building bridges into local communities it has also been a rewarding and encouraging time for the enthusiastic groups of young people who have dedicated their time to the tent outreach. Working together with others has given them confidence as they have found a sphere of usefulness and made new friendships.

Transporting, raising and taking down the tents can be challenging, especially if the traffic is held up on the busy roads and/ or there is heavy rainfall that accompanies the summer thunderstorms. Times of meetings had to be adjusted due to the extreme heat in July and August.

Although this summer has been extremely hot it has not discouraged people from coming to the tents in very good numbers. Tents have been used in 13 Counties (90 villages and towns) throughout Romania, in the town of Orhei in the Republic of

Moldova and in three villages in the Ukraine. 17,500 children and over 9,000 young people and adults (believers and unbelievers) have attended these tent meetings with people being saved by God's grace. In some places good numbers of people listen on roadways or in their homes or gardens as the messages are relayed through the loudspeaker system! In 16 places between 100 and 250 children attended meetings. As we look back over the last 15 years we have much to thank the Lord of the Harvest for: the wonderful provision of 14 tents of different sizes [13 in Romania and one tent in use in the Republic of Moldoval; large quantities of gospel literature distributed; dedicated tent workers; people saved, baptised and in local assembly fellowship. Truly, "to God be the glory great things He has done" and continues to do to His praise and for His eternal glory.

Literature STORAGE FACILITY - The construction of the literature storage facility near Suceava, northern Romania, was completed by the end of 2022 and has been a good help in the work. As with any new building there have been adjustments to make as the building dries out and the ground settles. Having kept up the momentum on the building and having moved a large part of the literature there, it was a major disappointment to find a pipe had burst under the foundation and completely flooded the floor space in February 2023. Thankfully most of the stored items were on shelving and weren't affected, but there was a loss of some gospel literature. There was a heavy snowfall in April but an extremely hot summer has greatly helped with the drying and airing of the building. God willing, we would like to see all the repair work completed before the winter. It is most beneficial having literature stored in a strategic location with easy access, as was experienced during this summer's gospel tent work.

ENGLISH TEACHING – Sue continues teaching English in our home and enjoys visits from former students and young people when they have time.

Literature work PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION of literature takes place throughout the year. We continue to provide very large quantities of gospel tracts and booklets, A5 and A6 gospel texts (with a gospel message on the back) for Romanian evangelists and believers in local assemblies throughout Romania and beyond. We are currently working on three new gospel tracts and also preparing suitable gospel literature for distribution in towns and villages throughout the country in December with the 2024 calendars (130,000) and for Easter 2024. It is so encouraging to see these calendars in homes and public places, truly "the entrance of Thy words giveth light" (Psalm 119:130).

Bibles, New Testaments and Bible commentaries are supplied to people who request them.

Sue continues the huge task of checking the translation of the Precious Seed books on the Old Testament. The Book of Psalms and the Major Prophets are awaiting translation.

The book Everyday Evangelism (sharing the gospel in conversation) by Paul McCauley and David Williamson is currently being printed with an initial print run of 625 copies.

Consecutive Bible teaching – Bible teaching is long-term and our desire is that many believers will be strengthened and edified spiritually through the careful and systematic teaching of the Word of God. As the work of the gospel continues and the challenges to Christian living seem to increase daily, we not only thank God for those who are saved,

but rejoice when we see believers "walking in the truth" and growing in their appreciation of spiritual truth and their love for the Lord Jesus Christ. Your prayers are greatly appreciated for this most important work of Bible teaching. Some highlights during the year:

The monthly Saturday Bible studies (16.00 to 19.00) in Craiova, S.W. Romania, continued alongside visits to assemblies in the area on Lord's day. There was very good interest in the teaching of the Word.

This year Paul has made two 6 day visits for systematic studies on the Old Testament in two Romanian speaking assemblies in Italy (5 nights with the large assembly in Villalba, Rome, and the weekend with the Spoleto assembly). It was a most encouraging time. Another visit is planned for the autumn.

Spending a significant amount of time in the North has brought invites to speak in 20 assemblies in the city and County of Suceava. It has been encouraging to see large numbers of keen young people in the meetings. Thank you for your **prayerful** and practical interest in the Lord's work in Romania.



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Talca, CHILE

Anne Reid



It was sixty years ago that I arrived in Chile. Things have changed a lot since then, but the Lord is the same, and He is forever faithful. It is such a privilege to be able, to some degree, to serve Him.

When I arrived, the assembly testimony was only in the central part of the country. Still, assemblies are from the northern city of Arica to the southernmost city of Punta Arenas. There are many places between those two points where there still is a need to reach out to the lost, but we thank the Lord for what He has done and is still doing. In quite a few of these places, some were saved. Here in Talca, we are working in other areas and serving the Lord there.

I have had the joy of reaching out to the children and girls in the Talca area, and over the years, the Lord has opened doors in different parts of the city and surrounding areas. More recently, due to long school hours and smaller families, as well as other attractions, there are not as many opportunities to have classes, but I am thankful for those we can have. We do not get the large crowds of years ago, but each child is important.

Near to where I live, there is a Home for younger girls, who for various reasons have had to be interned. Last year, there were two girls there. Some did not have classes. but now about a dozen and I have been going each Wednesday afternoon. Sometimes, things are going on, but some at least come along. It is such a challenge to reach out to them and tell them of the Savior. Some have little or no knowledge of the Bible and that the Lord Jesus loves them and wants to save them. They love to sing, "Jesus loves me." We pray for their salvation. Your prayers ring them to know Him as Savior. I used to go to some Homes for adolescent girls, but they have been closed. There is another one where I have had some classes and the possibility for more, but the girls are very difficult and often rebel against almost everything. Your prayers are of much value and appreciated.

On Friday afternoons, we have a class in San Clemente. A sister who lives there has me with the class. The children used to arrive on their own, but now, due to violence and other problems, we have to go for them and take them home. Numbers had gone down, so we started doing a craft after the Bible class, and it has attracted the children to attend.

Recently, I visited the city of Antofagasta. Lutzie, the widow of John Shaw, lives there. Despite her advanced age, she lives alone, and although he no longer goes out on her own, when she does go out, she is always giving out literature and talking to those with whom she comes in contact about the Saviour. It was good to see her again after several years. Also, I spent some time with a young sister saved here in Talca and helped me with classes here. She married a brother from Antofagasta, and they are very faithful in helping in the small assembly there. They have two little girls. In one conversation, I mentioned that since the Lord

saved me, I have started my day with the Lord. The next morning, the six-year-old woke her mother, saying, "The sun is up! We must start the day with the Lord!" So they read the Bible and prayed together and continued to do so. Also, while I was there, I was able to meet in person some of those who had joined the Zoom classes we had during the pandemic.

With fewer classes now, I can do more visitation. Some older believers are not well and appreciate a visit or a phone call to encourage them. I am so thankful to the Lord that He continues to give me help and strength to be still able to serve Him in some way when so many others my age and younger are laid aside.

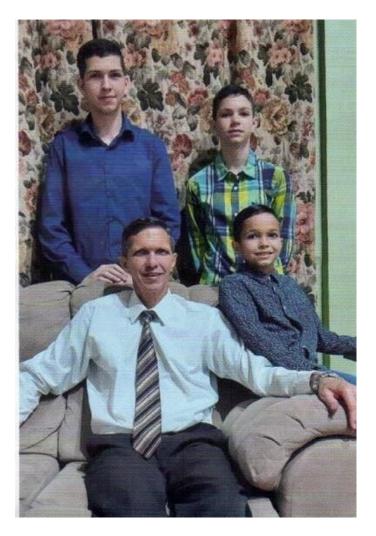
There are only a few of us from outside Chile serving the Lord here, but we are thankful for the Chilean believers who have been commended for the work here. There is a need to reach out to the lost. May the Lord raise workers for His glory.

Tucupita, VENEZUELA

William Turkington



We continue with the Lord's help to spread the word of God in several places here in Tucupita and some villages not far from the city. In each place there are many children and they receive a short message and are taught a verse every week. Then following that we have a gospel meeting. Most of these meetings are held in the open air. On Sunday evenings the Lord's people make a big effort to bring unsaved to the hall, and it's encouraging to see the hall usually quite filled and many attending for the first time.



Please **Pray** that the Lord may give increase to his word which has been sown in many souls.

We were able to make another visit to some communities which are only accessible by river, and were very encouraged again by the receptivity of the people and their desire to listen to God's word. Many expressed that they would like us to return soon as they want to hear the words of God's book. . Most of the inhabitants of these communities are natives of the Warao tribe. They are very poor and many are limited in their understanding of Spanish. Only a minority can read, and their children are scarcely receiving any education. With the help of the 2 way chart we try to explain the gospel to them in simplest terms. Even though we find many who have made a profession with

the Pentecostal movement, very few know the true Gospel. Our many engagements with the children's work here in the city and the difficulty to get fuel for the boat have limited these visits, but we are exercised about making a bigger effort to preach in these places and would really value your **Prayers** for this purpose.

I must say that I am deeply grateful to the Lord for His provision of a helpmeet for me after being 2 and a half years on my own since the home call of my late wife Veronica in January 2021. On the 25th of August



2023, William was united in marriage with Joelina Ramos, a sister in fellowship in the assembly of Tucupita.

Your prayers on our behalf and on behalf of our children are greatly valued as we seek to continue labouring for Our Master in this region.

Zambia





Gordon & Ruth Hanna

The picture of Ruth and I was taken just over a year ago on our 50th wedding anniversary as we were on our way travelling back to Zambia.

The world today has changed so much in the last few decades since we arrived in Zambia in 1985 and it has become a hostile environment for many who uphold Christian values. The very essence and principals of the Gospel are being eroded and discarded and this attitude influences even the lives of Believers. How important to take a stand for Biblical principals and by sharing God's Good News, we can see that He is still at work in the lives of those who truly seek Him. The country of Zambia remains an open door for the Gospel and presently there exists a government that appreciates Christian values and so we take the opportunities afforded not knowing when this may change.



The present couple weeks is one of the few breaks in the year when there are no visitors from overseas, at Chitokoloki. That will change next week when a medical student arrives and others soon after. It seems that so many who are willing to come are a blessing and encouragement to us and we trust that we can also be to them. We con-



stantly **Pray** that some younger ones who visit, may hear God's call and return to serve Him, possibly not at Chitokoloki but even at another place where there is a real need and that they will be at peace wherever God wants them to be.

A large addition is being added to the main hospital at Chitokoloki and this will increase the capacity by approximately 40% and as usual when you embark on a project like this, it becomes more complicated and challenging that expected or planned. The logistics and sourcing of supplies is an ongoing major challenge and even some stone and quarry dust had to be brought in from Solwezi, a 500 kilometres distance. Many of the needed supplies were imported from other countries and so planning well in advance is necessary. We **Pray** and trust that all who come for medical help will also be blessed by hearing the Gospel and for those who are Christians to be encouraged to live their lives for the Lord.

We are thankful to the Lord for some good Christian Zambian staff in hospital including Dr. Felix Chibwe, a surgeon and also a very good Bible teacher and dependable brother. We greatly appreciate him and his family coming to Chitokoloki and being such a great help.

We are still in Canada, and after a very long wait for a date for hip replacement surgery for Ruth in Ontario, we travelled to Calgary for it and are delighted to report that she has now had her surgery, day 2 after, and is recovering well. From the date this plan to travel was formatted until the surgery was done, was less than 2 weeks. She had been waiting in Ontario since April and we were told a month ago that there was no chance for anything there until next year. We are still in Calgary, having arrived last Saturday and we will fly back to Toronto on Friday, Lord willing. The Christian orthopaedic surgeon who did the surgery was just great and he told us when we were with him the day before the surgery "do you think it is by coincidence that my assistant and the anesthesiologist, are also both Christians?"

We are **praying** for a good result that will allow us to return to Zambia some time later this year.

Hermosillo, MEXICO

Timothy & Stephanie Woodford





Timothy & Stephanie Woodford and Family

Greetings from Hermosillo, "City of the sun". For 15 years this has been our base of operations, and the only home our children have known. Our oldest daughter is now living and studying in Canada, and we have two more who are very quickly nearing this stage. Almost all of our children have professed salvation, but not all. We would value your **prayers** not only for the genuine salvation of each one, but that the focus of their lives would be out of consecration to Christ.

The assembly here has seen its ups and its downs, but God has been faithful. We have been saddened by the casualty rate, especially among our young people over the years. The temptations and distractions they face are as strong as they ever have been, and the enemy is relentless. However, the sovereign Lord has not left us on our own, and He surely has yet to write the last chapter for each of our lives, by His patient grace. There are other saints who have demonstrated God's faithfulness and

preservation, and whose

lives of growth and dependence on Him give us reason to fall on our knees and thank God that what He has done, no one else could have. We are grateful to the Lord to see more overseers being raised up with a humble attitude of service and heartfelt care for the flock. We pray they will be preserved and strengthened by the Lord for this weighty task.

I stay active in writing a monthly article for Men-

sajero Mexicano, a digital magazine for Mexican and other Spanish-speaking believers around the world, in addition to occasional gospel tracts for Publicaciones Pescadores, a publishing ministry supplying gospel and Christian teaching literature at very accessible prices.

For a number of years, our colleague, Eleonor Mosquera, has held an outdoor children's class on Saturday mornings, involving younger sisters who assist in the various needs of holding such an outreach. Stephanie and our older daughters are helping in this effort, in a desperately needy area of the city. Some of the believers are now taking turns on Sundays, in order to pick them up and bring them to our regular Sunday school. Several brothers here are in-

volved in preaching the gospel in drug rehab centers, where there is much need, and an open ear. We are **praying** the seed sown will result in eternal blessing for many.

In many ways, we live in a very "Evangelical" environment here. Unfortunately, it is largely characterized by an emphasis on "another gospel", as Paul calls such perversion of truth. There is much emphasis on tithing, church attendance, and "persevering", in order to be right, and stay right, with God. The constant threat of losing one's salvation is often enough to give so-called pastors the necessary clout to keep members attending, giving, and fearing. There is very little systematic teaching of the Scriptures in their context, and more time spent on emotionalism and entertainment. We are encouraged by a few who are attending our meetings currently, who have gotten turned off by a sensationalized gospel, and are hungry for the truth.

We are getting ready for a teaching weekend on finances in the life of the believer. Philip Moore, who works in this sector, has agreed to come and give Biblical teaching on this important topic. So many here live in bondage to high interest loans and crippling debt, and relevant teaching from the Scriptures has the power to instruct and preserve believers from falling into this trap.

We are most grateful for the **prayerful** interest of the Lord's people in the spread of the gospel around the globe, and trust you will be encouraged to shine brightly in the sphere in which He has placed you, for His glory. "For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. For, "Yet a little while, and the coming One will come and will not delay", Hebrews 10:36-37.

60-year mission to China now back to:

Adelaide, South Australia

John & Karen Short



Thank you with a very special appreciation for your patient care, interest, and prayer as we transitioned from the 60-year mission to China back to Adelaide, South Australia.



John & Karen Short

As with yourselves, the Commission, Matthew 28:18-20 continues, but now it is from here the very place in 1964 we left for China.

Upon this return, we have had wonderful support, firstly in the country town of Finniss to R & R there. And then to a Plympton unit (in Adelaide) so graciously and generously provided by very special missionary-minded believers.

We now anticipate moving in November into a 2-bedroom house about 40 minutes north of the Adelaide City center. Our coworker in Beijing, brother Daniel Liu, obtained a visa to travel in September and visit us in Sydney, Australia. It brought us great joy and thankfulness to have a direct report on how believers are facing current headwinds there. We were able to pray and plan D.V. China projects for 2024.

This month's literature productivity was in Shandong, Qingdao, where we completed 100,000 Gospel messages currently being sent to 12 provinces. PTL and with full appreciation for your care and support.

The Unley assembly of believers from where I went forth in 1964 has faithfully supported us through these many years and has now graciously received us to fellowship and their hearts. For this, we thank GOD and therefore press on in faith and trust for the days ahead.

In the will of the Lord, our next assignment and project in the new year, GOD willing, is to visit AMT in Brisbane to meet and get to know new personnel there. Also, we hope to visit Karen's family in Bundaberg, Queensland.

We continue most days with literature distribution from our Norwood Adelaide suburb store and also the Saturday market day Gospel Witness in Chinatown.

Again, thank you, thank you – THANK YOU for making space for us in your heart and **prayers** – you are in ours also!

Palo Negro, VENEZUELA



Samuel & Sharon Ussher

Cagua is a city of 130,000 people, only half an hour's drive from our home, but there is still no assembly. We've had an exercise to reach out with the gospel for the last number of years. Seven couples and a few single sisters live there and are in fellowship in several assemblies in neighbouring towns. For most of this year, we have had a weekly Bible Reading, gathering the saints together in the home of one of the sisters, considering the first epistle to the Corinthians. We're praying that the Lord will open a door to preach the gospel and see souls saved. There has been a Sunday School in the home of a sister for a number of years, and we trust that this work will also develop.



Samuel & Sharon Ussher and family

Last Saturday, the believers from the assembly in Coromoto went to a large city called La Villa, about half an hour's drive away. They gave out tracts and gospel texts, looking for a door to be opened for the preaching of the gospel. It is a city where my father preached a lot in the 70s and 80s, but it proved difficult to see any permanent result. We ask you to **pray** that the Lord will open a door and grant blessing there.

Calabozo is a large city in the neighbouring state of Guárico where much labour has been done over the years. My father preached there guite a lot, and later we went every Saturday for two years for openair meetings, but no permanent results were seen. But this year, a number of brethren were led by the Lord to try it again. Our brother Jorge Gomez, a commended worker, has seen fruit from the preaching of the gospel, and it has been an encouragement to know that fruit has been gathered in the areas where the gospel was preached years ago. This encourages us to continue sowing the Good Seed, knowing that it will bring forth fruit in the Lord's time. The brethren were encouraged to purchase a site to build a Gospel Hall. A group of brethren from different assemblies gathered there on Friday to pour the foundations, so we ask you to pray that the Lord will raise up a testimony to His Name there.

We've also been busy building a new Hall for the Palo Negro assembly, as the old building had become unsafe.

We have appreciated the prayers of the Lord's people for ourselves and the Lord's work here, and we ask you to continue doing so that the Lord will guide us, preserve us, save our family, and help us in daily life. Pray for the believers here as many pass through difficult circumstances, but we look to the Lord who has promised to be faithful and who has proved to be so down through the years.

Loloma mission, Zambia Visit to Namibia,



Steven & Stephannie Anderson



Steven & Stephannie Anderson and family

We are approaching the end of the first week of a series of gospel and children's meetings here in Swakopmund. In Swakopmund, there are many different tribes and languages that you might encounter, such as Oshikwanyama, Otjiherero, Nama, and Oshindonga, to name a few. We have been able to print a verse on a backdrop of a picture of Namibia; we have done this in a variety of these languages with an explanation in english on the back.

These tracts are well received and find a spot on the wall of people's houses. We are currently working on getting the English explanation translated into other languages for

those who would have a better understanding of other languages.



The shanty town, where most live, is packed with people in small houses crammed together. People are friendly and willing to converse about spiritual matters, but through the years, it is apparent that many have been lied to and deceived. Most would hold to a belief of salvation through

move you from the congregation for not giving to the church. Being removed from the church is equated with a loss of salvation. This does hinder the gospel effort, for many are not willing to come to the meetings for fear that someone might tell their pastor. People put faith in their particular religious system or denomination, and although they may be willing to speak about the gospel one on one, they might not feel free to attend what might be seen as a "church service" outside of their religion.

We have seen a small number of people come and keep coming to the meetings daily. It reminds me of 1 Samuel 22, where "every one that was in distress, and every one that was in debt, and every one that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him:" v2a. Some that are coming have been removed from a gathering of some kind for failure to tithe. Every day, we have



good works, baptism, attending the church, tithing, following the teachings of men in places of prominence.

Grace and mercy are foreign concepts. Many live in fear of the pastor who will re-

had several children and a few adults attend the meetings. The gospel has been faithfully presented by a small group of brethren that have joined us from various locations. Our initial plan for this area was to have a two-week series of gospel meetings. On the first day, as we started setting up for a gospel meeting, we noticed that children began to gather. It was then agreed that a children's meeting would happen before the gospel meeting. It is most encouraging to see them day after day and learn Sunday school songs and bible verses. Please pray for the ongoing gospel and children's work.

Visit to SOUTH AFRICA 2023



David & Helen McKillen

We have just returned home from a truly blessed experience in Africa. In many aspects so familiar, yet so unique. 100s of believers whom we renewed fellowship with.



1,000s of kilometres by air and road. Some very remote areas. Francistown, the Okavango, Cape Town, and the Overberg.



Some very small assembly "lamp-stands", but much more precious to God than even to any of us.

Our thanks to so many who reached out in warm fellowship - in Halls and homes - they look for us to return, and in the goodness of God, we trust we will do





50th year — for the Gospel tent at the Pacific National Exhibition in Vancouver, BC

Phil Broadhead

This was the 50th year for the Gospel tent at the Pacific National Exhibition in Vancouver, BC, which runs the last two weeks of August through the Labour Day weekend.

Despite the current PNE policy not to allow further religious groups to be represented, the Lord has kept the door open for this assembly outreach during the 15-day fair. The booth won the award one year for the best entry at the PNE. Good relations have been established over the years with PNE management, which is a tribute to brethren who started this work, some now at home in heaven.

This good work is supported by the area assemblies, and many believers volunteer their time in different shifts to allow the booth to be open 12 hours a day. Many good conversations are held, and believers who drop by express appreciation for the gospel presence at the fair and for the good literature and texts that are available. Souls have been saved over the years through this work, one of them a brother shown in one of these pictures who has been a stalwart supporter for many years.

This year, the theme was the story of Jonah. For the children, there was a large whale display that they could walk into where the story was displayed on the inside. A gospel tract was written to complement the theme.

Please pray for this work. We must not take it for granted that this door of opportunity will remain open. Restrictions on our liberties can be expected in these last days before the Lord returns.





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