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"I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase" 1 Cor 3:6

Dear saints,

May—June 2025

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. May and June have been busy months here, with no slowing down in sight for a while. We have had one of the best spring seasons on record here; more blue sky than we have seen in a long time; it is refreshing, and gets people out of their houses, and increases opportunities for outreach.

We received some great news just days ago. Alison's visa application was finally approved - praise the Lord! She now has "indefinite leave to remain" status. This covers the next 5 years for her, at which time she can get citizenship. This has been a great answer to prayer, and burden lifted for us. Thank you to all of you who prayed on our behalf. Many of you asked often about the situation, and I know you were praying for us. This whole situation was a great reminder of God working through the details of our lives when we don't even know it. As I had mentioned some months ago; this visa application was based on me "proving" that I had not been gone from the UK for more than 5 years at a stretch. I had to submit documents of all kinds for the last 40 years! Sometimes we wonder; why am I holding unto this stuff - In this case, I am glad I did.

It's hard to believe we have been here over a year, and encouraging to see all the Lord has done. We have targeted many summertime events for outreach, with many more to go throughout the season. The Lord burdened my heart to write specific tracts for these shows/parades etc. This approach is very well received, with few rejections and few throw downs. I had a pastor friend give me a book some years ago called "Let's Go Fishing with the Doctor" (very helpful for the soul winner) This book encourages you to find the subject of interest of the person you are witnessing to, talk about that subject, then transition the conversation to eternal and spiritual things. I have used this approach while tract writing. We have "The Classic" (for car shows) "The Giant" (Giant festival) "Footsteps" (Footsteps festival & elderly) "The Final Swing" (Golf tournaments) "The Last Parade" (Ulster Protestants/Loyalist parades). Along with this, we have had several opportunities to set up a tent at certain shows/parades with the Lighthouse. We give away free Bibles and gospel literature, and also free posters with salvation scriptures. These posters may have a classic car, tractor or landscape with a verse about salvation. This generates good opportunities to witness, and many hundreds have gone out. Please pray for continued fruit from this ministry.

In May I was out on the streets at an agricultural show holding scripture signs for the incoming stop and go traffic. Many thousands came face to face with their need of the Saviour, and the gospel—with no where to run. With the traffic moving so slow, you could see the Lord convicting these souls (many tried winding up their window hoping it would turn off the conviction!) While there, I had a first in street ministry; a lady named Donna was waiting for a bus nearby. After about 10 minutes of waiting, she came and asked if she could help until her bus came. I found out she was saved; What a blessing! that made my day, and encouraged her to do more for the Lord.

Please pray for the Lord to bless the outreach at these upcoming events; British Open golf tournament, band parades, various car/ tractor shows. I also have an opportunity to teach at a local public school weekly, starting in September.

Thank you again for your continued prayer and financial support. We praise the Lord for the recent open doors He has given us.

With every blessing in our Lord Jesus Christ,

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