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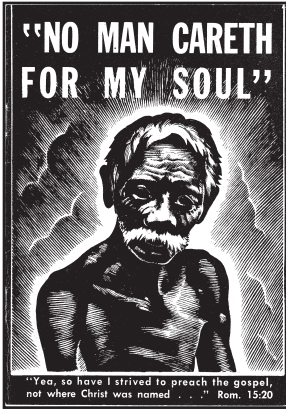
# Harvest

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# NO MAN CARETH FOR MY SOUL

Ben Anderson, International Director

Things to Come Mission is 65 years old! What a journey it has been, starting when Herbert and Jessie Palmer—former missionaries to Africa—incorporated TCM in Colorado in 1955. Early in 1956 a small band of Milwaukee Bible College students were challenged by the five Auca martyrs in Ecuador. They joined forces with the Palmers and the first missionaries, Vernon and Darlene Anderson with their two daughters, boarded a ship bound for the Philippines in 1957.

The grace gospel spread rapidly, with TCM Grace Gospel Churches of Christ incorporated in 1958 and International Grace Bible Institute accepting students in 1959. By then, 12 churches had been planted and soon dozens of church planters and evangelists were traveling by boat and jeepney throughout the Philippines proclaiming salvation by grace through faith and not by laws and traditions. Today the Philippine ministry has 550 grace churches, six resident Bible schools, over a thousand ministers and dozens of missionaries.

A fascinating booklet on the TCM website captures the great faith and purpose of the early TCM missionaries: *No Man Careth for My Soul* (<https://tcmusa.org/publications/anderson/NoManCarethForMySoul.pdf>). Written by Vernon Anderson just before boarding the ship in 1957, he recounts an event from China missionary, Hudson Taylor, about some villagers who let a man drown without attempting to save him. Vernon continues:

But are they any more calloused than a Christian, who looks out to the regions beyond, sees millions dying in despair without hope in this world or in the world to come, and yet turns his back? He resumes earning a living for himself—little concerned for those millions. They still do not hear the name of Jesus Christ for the first time. Perhaps if he would read Revelation 20 again ... read again of the torments of those who never believe. If he would reexamine himself to see if he actually believes in Hell as God describes it ... he might be convinced that Hell is REAL.

I had hoped that this year 2020 would be: The Year of Perfect Vision. Instead it seems to be The Year the World Stood Still. Dozens of major ministries have been postponed until 2021, church services have been suspended and missionaries cannot get to their fields.

A verse that keeps me on track through tough times is 2 Cor. 4:18, *"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."* By faith we must keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, and not the physical objects and events around us. Jesus warned, *"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away."* Apostle Peter explains, *"The elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare."* The Revelation 20 passage referenced by Vernon Anderson states, *"The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them."*

The souls of the men and women of our world are invisible yet eternal, being created in the image of God. God loves the world, and our message to each soul is, *"Be reconciled to God."* Only by entering into a relationship with the only true God by grace through faith can the lost souls of our world have eternal joy, hope and peace. After 65 years, our task remains the same! ☺

# BUILDING A MISSIONALLY-ENGAGED CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW

Timothy Board, Development Director

*See then that you walk circumspectly,  
not as fools but as wise,  
redeeming the time,  
because the days are evil.  
Therefore do not be unwise,  
but understand what the will of the Lord is.  
Ephesians 5:15-17 NKJV*



Being intentional in building a missionally-engaged Christian worldview rooted in Holy Scripture is the stewardship responsibility of the Church among all nations worldwide. The pressing urgency driving this pursuit is the blazing center of God's glory vested in the Person and finished work of Christ before whom contemporary culture is in utter rebellion. This depravity of a Romans 1 world is demonstrated by the rejection of moral restraint in the name of "social justice" and getting on "the right side of history." Despite additional challenges presented by COVID and a raucous presidential election, God calls His people to boldly lead onward in ministry for such a time as this.

**1. Intentionally Walking in Worldview Wisdom** – The biblical Christian worldview is founded upon the sufficiency of Scripture which is comprehensive in its scope, as there is no direction in which a person may figuratively travel where God's Word has not spoken (Ps.19:7-11; 2 Tim.3:16-17). Wisdom begins with reverence for Almighty God before whom strongholds against the exclusiveness of Christ are demolished (Pr.1:7; 2 Cor.10:3-5). Unless we are deliberate in building a worldview rooted in Scripture, our lives will unwittingly be deceived by falsehood such as postmodernism (no absolute truth), secular humanism (man is ultimate authority), moralistic therapeutic deism (God is a cosmic genie), and other baseline cultural narratives that are contrary to Christ and the Word of God (Col.2:8-10).

**2. Intentionally Walking in Redemptive Stewardship** – Scripture teaches that Christ is the meaning and purpose of life before whom every knee will bow and every tongue will confess that He is worthy of all praise as King of kings and Lord of lords (Jn.1:1-14; Phil.2:5-11). Redemptive stewardship affirms that our time, treasure, and talent must be invested in eternity for there is coming a day of reckoning when our lives will flash before our eyes and we will give an account before God Himself at the Judgment Seat of Christ (1 Cor.3:10-15; 2 Cor.5:9-11). A wise man once asked the haunting question, *Is what you're living for worth Christ dying for?* Indeed, *Only one life will soon be past, only what's done 'in Christ' will last.*

**3. Intentionally Walking in Missional Engagement** – Changing the world one heart and life at a time through cultural engagement begins with the salt and light moral back pressure of the Christian worldview in general but the transforming power of the gospel of God's grace in particular (2 Cor.4:3-6; Titus 2:11-14). Every man, woman, boy, and girl among all nations worldwide is a precious soul for whom the royal blood of Christ was shed but multitudes have never heard of the Living God and never will unless a new generation surrenders to God's call and is deliberate in building a missionally-engaged Christian worldview (Rom.10:14-15; 16:25-27; 1 Tim.2:3-4). ☺



# HARNESSING TECHNOLOGY

Dean & Sheba Padayhag, South Africa

The National Institute for Communicable Diseases confirmed positive cases of COVID in South Africa on March 5. People started panic-buying vital supplies. March 26th, the president declared a nation-wide, hard lockdown. One clear injunction was the prohibition of social gatherings, including churches. At that point, questions of keeping ministries alive and afloat became every ministry worker's concern. The fear of losing members and closing down churches was evident.

Grace Outreach Ministries of South Africa (GOMSA) churches and leaders felt the same concerns. What if the lockdown will last long? What if our leaders and church members get infected? What shall we do? While we were concerned, we remained firm and refused to be paralyzed by fear. We knew the only way was to find a new methodology to keep in touch with both workers and congregants.

We subscribed to unlimited *Zoom* to host church services, prayer meetings, and Bible studies. Despite the prohibition to gather in person, the church continued to fellowship online. Well before the lockdown, we were already using *Facebook Live* to stream our Sunday messages from the various GOMSA churches where we were worshiping. That continued, except without a physical audience, and the preaching was done right in our house.

Since we could not go out, we thought we would do more ministries online. Our family tradition of Bible reading before eating lunch that we called *SoulFood1st*, became a production concept for a daily short

**Soul Food 1st**

- Bite-sized Spiritual Meals
- Bible Study Online
- Regular Weekday Serving

**GRACE Teaching Videos**

<https://www.facebook.com/GraceTeachingVideos/>

<https://www.youtube.com/c/GraceTVMMinistry>

**facebook LIVE STREAM**  
12PM | South Africa time

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with  
**Pastor DEAN PADAYHAG**  
TCM Missionary  
serving in South Africa

Bible study video. The Grace Teaching Videos (Grace TV) ministry that we initially launched in 2015, was a DVD-producing project. But our crazy daily ministry schedules at that time temporarily paused the program. Then the lockdown began, and henceforth, Grace TV came to life again... not in DVD form, but on a *Facebook* page and *YouTube* channel.

We started with basic equipment, using our cellphone camera and regular WIFI connection, and re-oriented our living room to provide a decent background.

Then we remembered the HD video camera that was donated to us in 2014. We also dug out of storage some studio lights, tripod stands, and a boom mic that we were blessed with some years ago. We decided to use what we



saved on gas expenses to invest in a 5G internet connection. The Lord also led us to a person who provided us a so-called *monster machine*—a very powerful laptop—at the price of a regular one. After some research, we learned we needed a certain video capture device in order to live-stream using the HD video camera through the laptop. Later, a viewer bought a large ring light for us as a gift. It complimented the first ring light we previously bought. The ring lights are more energy efficient than the old studio lights. We are very serious about giving **God** the best possible quality service with this online ministry, so we continually try to make improvements, develop creative elements, and upgrade technologically if necessary.

Preaching and teaching live on camera sounds very easy and no sweat at all. But as a stuttering person with no mass media training and speaking imperfect English, the thought of not lasting long was unavoidable. The only driving force we have is the fact that God's Word will not return void, and things done for the Lord will not be in vain. Little did we know that God would use our simple initiative to sustain our ministries in South Africa to be a blessing worldwide. As we hear testimonies of how people are using our videos for family and personal devotions, Bible studies, and sharing with others, we know it's worth continuing. *SoulFood1st* has a daily live-stream and replay audience of 300 to 500, while the Sunday preaching reaches 1000 or more. No doubt, we are reaching out to more people from the comfort of our living and dining room. (continued next page)

It has been a month now since we physically reopened our churches and Bible schools. Though many 2020 calendared programs were missed, we are grateful we've been able to keep the ministries alive despite seven months of lockdown. Praise the Lord, we are gaining momentum again.

We are continuing to use social media and online platforms to stream our daily *SoulFood1st*, Sunday messages, and recently, Bible School classes on Saturdays. We have several ministry trips lined up in the coming weeks, but since our studio equipment is pack-and-go, we can stream from anywhere in South Africa where there is a strong internet signal.

We would appreciate your support by following our Grace TV page on *Facebook* (<https://www.facebook.com/GraceTeachingVideos/>) and subscribing to our *YouTube* channel (<https://www.youtube.com/c/GraceTVMinistry>). Please share these links with as many as you can. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you for helping us spread the Word to the world. 🌍

## Now WHAT?

**Joe Campos, North Brazil**

My son, Nathan, and I landed back in Recife, Brazil on March 18th of this year, after cutting short our U.S. home assignment trip due to the outbreak of COVID. I clearly remember looking out the car window as Michelle drove us home and thinking to myself, "Now what?" There were so many plans and ideas we were getting ready to implement before the whole world was literally changed!





After spending a few days searching the Lord for answers, we began to face the fact that we needed to dive into technology like never before. Without hesitation, we informed our people that our services, small groups, Bible studies, and classes were going to continue online. We didn't know exactly what we were going to do, but we had a few ideas, and we trusted the Lord was going to guide us as we stepped into unknown territory.



We have always been open to technology and have tried to keep up with the newest ways to convey the unchanging message of grace through new means and tools. On top of that, the Lord blessed us with our son, Nathan, who is keen on technology, is very creative, and has an incredible ability to keep learning and walking us through many technological challenges. We are so thankful to the Lord that

we have been able to keep growing during such a challenging time.

In the beginning, we streamed our worship services through our *Facebook* page because we had been live-streaming our services for a couple years, bought equipment and were quite familiar with it. Nathan, with his creative skills, had set us up and trained one of our Bible students to operate the equipment. We had worked hard to get people to "like" our page and already had 1300+ followers.

It took about three weeks for us to transition from streaming our services on *Facebook* to *YouTube*. We had a church channel for a few years but had never bothered to use it much. With the pandemic we were forced to think about the most effective way to reach as many people as possible over the long term, and *YouTube* was definitely the platform to use. That meant we had to promote our channel, buy new equipment, set up the technology and train other



people to record us live. It took some effort, but it was well worth it. We went from reaching 60-70 to reaching over 100 people on any given Sunday.

The same thing happened with our small groups. Before the pandemic, we had 3 small groups meeting in the church building. After we decided to take the small groups to *Google Meet*, we doubled the number of small groups. Going online made it easier for more people to participate in our small groups. Many people live far from church and before they would have to drive or take a bus or two to get to church in heavy traffic. Being able to join a small group from their living room enabled many more to participate.



However, nothing was more exciting than when we started streaming our Bible training program through *Zoom*. We always talked about having our training program online, but felt we never had the technology, students, or structure to do it. But again, Nathan was able to help us set it up, and we decided to give it a shot. Praise God, we have had great results so far! We currently have 40 students enrolled from 4 different regions of the country! We now have the opportunity to train men and women for ministry in places we only dreamed of in the past.

We are gradually coming back to a new normal. We have had worship services in our buildings for at least 3 months now, but we continue to live-stream them through *YouTube*. Our channel continues to grow with new subscribers, and we also plan to stream the services through *Facebook*. We will probably resume meeting in person with our small groups soon, but keep them available online so those who can't make it can join in virtually. Our ministry training will continue 100% online for now and we are currently building a website to make it easier for people to find us on the web. The question still remains: "What Now?" The answer to that, my friend, only God truly knows. Let us keep fighting the good fight of faith (1 Tim. 6:12) and accepting the challenges God lays before us. One thing is certain, "Our labor in the Lord is not in vain" (1 Cor. 15:58). ☺



# TCM C.A.R.E.S.

## Coronavirus Action, Relief, Encouragement & Support

TCM initiated a project in May to assist national pastors and Bible teachers on 10 of our most needy fields, whose income is diminished due to COVID lockdowns. We are in awe at how God has moved hearts to give generously to this project! Rejoice in the feedback from four recipient fields.

### LAOS

We are very happy to inform you that the TCM C.A.R.E.S. project helped our people here a lot. With the first month's donation we distributed a small sack of rice, a tray of eggs and chicken meat to 6 families in Vientiane and a box of noodles and groceries to 10 families in Laxao. We praise God for His provision through TCM C.A.R.E.S. Indeed, this is really overwhelming! We are so blessed that our people here are being helped by His generous brethren there in this time of pandemic. We extend our heartfelt thanksgiving to all who shared in this amazing project. ☺



# CAMBODIA

**2020** is one of the most challenging years in terms of how to “equip God’s people to do His work and build up the church, the body of Christ” (Ephesians 4:12). Restrictions were implemented worldwide by local governments in relation to social and religious gatherings due to the COVID global pandemic.

Here in Cambodia, we followed the government’s mandate and held off church activities for almost 3 months. We praise the Lord that none of our church leaders or members have tested positive for COVID, but some felt the impact in their jobs and livelihoods. Our Cambodia Grace Gospel Church (CGGC) national leaders communicated constantly and encouraged one another to unite in prayer for the supply of needs. The TCM C.A.R.E.S. project provided timely funds, enabling us to buy grocery items that we gave to those in our churches whose income was affected. God’s timing is always best in supplying our needs!



In June, the government allowed social and religious gatherings to resume with health precautionary measures and limited numbers of people. Along with our usual services, new ministries were started: English and Bible Class at CGGC Chom Chao and Music Class for both CGGC Chom Chao and City Central congregations. Since offerings from our churches were reduced after a few months of not holding any Sunday services, the TCM C.A.R.E.S. project really helped in funding these new ministries.



We were able to purchase 2 stand fans, 1 big white board, monthly supplies for the English & Bible Class, and 2 new guitars for our Music Class!

The TCM C.A.R.E.S. project was indeed a **big blessing** to our local church Leaders and members. It’s our prayer that these new ministries the Lord has enabled will help “equip God’s people to do His work and build up the church, the Body of Christ” (Ephesians 4:12). ☺



# PHILIPPINES

The Philippines was locked down due to COVID on March 15. Since then, people's lives have never been the same. Restrictions on travels and mass gatherings affected almost every facet of people's activities including regular services to worship God and other church fellowships. Thus, it affected the financial support of almost all church workers since many church members themselves suffered setbacks from their income sources.

Amid these difficulties, we rejoice and glorify God that we have not received any report that our church workers suffer from starvation. The present crisis deprived us of a lot of things, but God continues to sustain us to survive through the generosity and sacrificial giving of members of the Body of Christ. Paul's instruction to Timothy, "And having food and raiment let us be therewith content," was never more worth contemplating than now while we are under this COVID crisis.

In May the TCM-Philippines Board decided to send out financial help to our pastors, Bible women and Bible school teachers from whatever amount we had available. TCM-USA, through the TCM C.A.R.E.S. project, sent us \$2,600 which we added to the amount given by other generous individuals and groups who gave financially for this purpose. A total of 770 pastors, Bible women and Bible school teachers were the beneficiaries of this help sent out the last week of May. Many of them expressed sincere gratefulness for receiving the aid.

TCM C.A.R.E.S really cares for Filipinos! We continue to receive help, for which we are truly grateful to God and to our dear generous brethren in the US. We understand that you, too, are affected by the pandemic, yet your liberality overflows. We glorify God for your love to Him expressed in your care for fellow members in the Body. As of October we additionally received a total of \$9,000 from TCM C.A.R.E.S. which will be sent out this month to help our ministry workers who are now enduring an eight-month crisis. It will be the second time of providing them some financial help.

Though Pastor Roy Bermoy (pictured) pastors the church in Cagayan de Oro City, he supplements his family income during the pandemic by selling milk, yoghurt and fish house-to-house. Other pastors are driving public transport motorcabs, selling vegetables or farming.



We don't know yet when this pandemic will be solved. We pray it will be soon. Nevertheless, let us all continue to be grateful to God for His grace that sustains us, and pray this crisis will not be a hindrance, but rather a greater opportunity, to spread God's message of grace. ☸



## KENYA

COVID was reported here in March. We heard from news and social media that it started in China, then spread to other countries very fast, claiming the lives of many people, especially the aged. Many countries went through typical restrictions and lockdown to prevent the virus from spreading.

In Kenya we experienced the same after two travelers from London were diagnosed with the virus. The president announced the danger of the virus, and immediately the usual restrictions were put into place: flights cancelled, sanitizing, social distance of 1.5 meters, public transportation reduced to half, public schools, colleges, universities, churches and markets closed down, wearing of masks in public and people working from home. A total lockdown was applied to Nairobi and Mombasa, the most affected cities.

Grace Bible Church (GBC)–Kenya has 54 pastors and Bible teachers located in different villages, towns and cities. The lockdown affected those who had small businesses and those working for others, as well as church contributions to help pastors with monthly support and to run church projects. All families were at home and had bills and rent to pay. Some also had medical expenses.

The government did not give any assistance to our pastors nor to churches. Many promises were made, that every Kenyan will receive help at this time of COVID, which never happened. It was only from our TCM family and supporters that our pastors were able to receive monthly assistance.

TCM, through International Director Ben Anderson, joined their hands together to donate \$1500 every month from TCM C.A.R.E.S. GBC–Kenya key leaders met and decided to distribute the donation



equally to all 54 pastors and Bible teachers. These donations came at just the right time! As the new General Director of GBC–Kenya, I (Pastor Samuel Mwangi) was concerned about the pastors' monthly support since churches were closed down and we could not get monthly contributions from them. The TCM C.A.R.E.S. donation helped

save the situation for our pastors and Bible teachers. As the Bible says, "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." (Rom. 12:12) and "God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." (1 Cor. 1:9) The Lord has been faithful because He has been providing for our necessities. Amen! On behalf of GBC–Kenya, I want to express our thanks and appreciation to all TCM donors who donated to assist us in this difficult time. May the Lord bless you all. ☺

# OVERCOMERS IN CHRIST

Bob Xavier

TCM Affiliate Ministry in Bradenton, FL

*Who I am in Christ matters more than what I think or what others tell me about myself.*



Many problems assault families: everything from financial difficulties, broken relationships, communication breakdown, alcohol and drug addiction, rage, gambling, pornography and many other life-dominating problems. No one is exempt. We all need encouragement and support.

The key to helping others and ourselves to live triumphantly, regardless of our life-dominating circumstances, is to have the Lord Jesus Christ be at the center of all that we think and do! The Holy Spirit wonderfully empowers individuals and families through understanding their Grace-centered identity in the Lord Christ Jesus.

**Overcomers in Christ** is a ministry that encourages group sharing in a safe environment while empowering people, through the Holy Spirit and God's Word, to overcome a variety of hurts and life-controlling problems. **Overcomer** groups meet regularly to share the comfort, hope and freedom that they find in the Lord. The group dynamics facilitate personal accountability, along with high emphasis on confidentiality. The fellowship provides a safe place for everyone to share feelings that draw people together like a magnet! Participants discover the true joy of practical Christ-centered living.

We welcome everyone who joins to consider inviting a friend to experience God's love, unconditional acceptance, grace, renewed hope and truth in a safe, confidential environment. We also welcome anyone who may desire to learn how to establish and to facilitate an Overcomers group. The ministry provides many recovery resources that are grace-centered and easy to use. ☺

*He has made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. (2 Corinthians 5:21)*

## PROJECT: KENYA GRACE BIBLE INSTITUTE PHASE 2



Training pastors and leaders is an integral part of TCM's Troas strategy for mission. A residential Bible school is already in operation in Thika, Kenya. In order to accommodate more students, 2 more classrooms and office spaces are needed. Initially, one of the classrooms will serve as a dorm so we can move students out of the makeshift iron sheet rooms they are living in currently.

Phase 2 will complete the remaining part of the ground floor comprising 2 classrooms, a 3-room office suite and a stairwell. Work will involve concreting the

ground floor slab, reinforcing columns and walls, first floor concreting and all finishers (doors, windows, plastering, flooring, plumbing, electrical installations and painting). We pray the Lord will graciously supply for this project as He did in the Phase 1. He is faithful!

**TOTAL NEEDED: \$20,500    DESIGNATE DONATIONS: KENYA KGBI PROJECT**

## LEONARD & HELEN ROSTEK LEGACY

Leonard Rostek passed away January 11, 2020 at age 96. His wife, Helen, predeceased him in 2002. Len left quite a legacy with both his children being Grace believers; all 7 of his grandchildren are believers, of which 4 are Grace believers. Len served 40 years in the US Navy, achieving the highest enlisted rank of Master Chief Petty Officer. Len also worked as a railroad fireman and engineer from 1941-1983, between years in the Navy. He visited 197 countries, including mission work trips where he assisted in building or maintaining local churches. The donation given in memory of Leonard & Helen Rostek completed TCM's church land purchase projects in Sao Bento, Brazil and Nakuru, Kenya.

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## PROJECT: GTCM

TCM organizes an intensive two-month missionary training program. Thirty-nine individuals have completed Grace Theological Center for Mission (GTCM) since 2015. Thirteen graduates are already on the field with eight more in preparation. The next GTCM session, June 6-August 1, 2021, will see trainees from the USA, Indonesia and the Philippines converge at Grace Gospel Church in Floridablanca in the northern Philippines to prepare themselves for a life of missionary service. Although the students pay their own basic costs for food and accommodation, other expenses to be covered by TCM include airfare and accommodation of teachers, venue preparation, equipment, utilities and training materials. Our target is to raise \$100 for each of the 15 trainees.

**TOTAL: \$1500    DESIGNATE GIFTS: GTCM**

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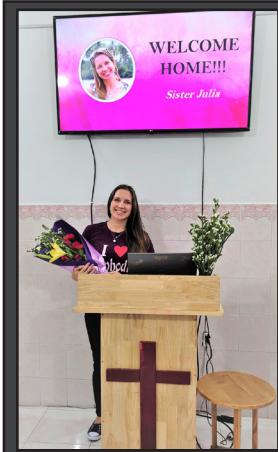
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**Julia Liles** is back in Cambodia after 10 months in England. She writes: I arrived September 17th. All passengers were tested for COVID at the airport, then shuffled into a bus and driven to a hotel where we stayed until we got a negative result. After just 2 nights I was able to go to my home and continue to quarantine until a second negative test on Day 1. It's not easy for an extrovert to be isolated for 14 days! I was so thankful for the many prayers, calls and 'distance visits' with food and iced coffee deliveries! I still need to adjust a little to life here, but I love it! As I walk along the streets and interact with Khmer, I smile and feel blessed to be here and have opportunities to share Christ.

I have restarted ministry activities in training and supporting some of our ladies who are learning to teach. I'm so thankful for a chance to share the gospel with a young woman whilst we were watching a local football game! She has challenges in life and this was the first time she heard that God gives life through His Son Jesus Christ; He values and loves that life and gives us purpose. She was so touched by this truth and expressed interest in joining our worship at church. I look forward to meeting her again. Even by attending a football match, we can be a light and a blessing to others, giving them a message that their hearts may have been longing to hear for decades! Never underestimate God's timing and plans for all these things.

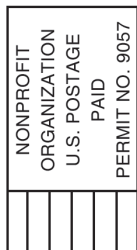
It was tough to adjust to not living with Mum after such a special extended time together back home; however, we are thankful for video calls. I miss not having calls or sweet letters from my lovely dad (now with the Lord), and not getting to share my excitement in ministry with him or my joy over Scriptures I've read. But, I have hope in a heavenly Father who is always there to listen, comfort and guide. I am more than grateful to serve the Lord in this capacity and that my family is supportive of my role as a missionary. It is a life of sacrifice, but the joy and purpose-filled satisfaction in giving others eternal hope is immeasurable! ☺

**Darlene Anderson** was honored by the TCM leadership for 62 years of ministry! As TCM's first missionaries, she and Vernon pioneered the work in Philippines, Indonesia and Kenya, as well as serving shorter terms in Brazil, Cameroon, India, Europe, South Africa and Tanzania. Although "retiring" from the TCM office at age



91, Darlene remains a staunch prayer warrior and does what she can for TCM from home.

**Joel & Leah Sanders** have been diverted to serve in Kenya while waiting for their target field, Malaysia, to open its borders. The Lord performed several miracles to get them there: a lab that produced COVID results in 12 hours, negative tests for all 5 of them, 3-month visas on arrival in Kenya, and a rental house one block from Robby & Tegwen Heath! Their schedule is already full with church ministries and teaching at the Bible school.



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