

## Dear Friends,

It is good to finally be sitting down to write this email. In a way it seemed like a daunting task - so much has happened! I'll try and keep this email short with bullet points, but if you'd like to hear more, please ask. We'd be happy to share more.

**Please lift up the following** in whichever way the Spirit leads:

**The Beloved Country (not where we are currently, but where we want to be long term)**

- **Persecution:**
  1. The workers ***forced to leave*** the country, unable to return.
  2. Two foreign workers ***still in prison*** for spreading the good news.
  3. The ***local brothers (& at least one sister!)*** in prison for following Jesus.
  4. Local believers living in fear of being arrested next! ***Many on the run or in hiding.*** The little house fellowships whose "shepherds" are in prison.
- Please also lift up the east of the country where ***great floods*** from have left ***over 2,000 dead and 5,000 missing right now!***

### Our Team

***-one of our Team Leaders recently had her colon removed*** to treat a recurrence of cancer. Praise God, they have found ***no more traces of cancer*** and she won't need chemo! **Please lift her up as she recovers.**

- ***R, part of the couple leading our 2nd team, had a stroke in her eye*** this past July. Please pray for her up as she adapts to the partial vision loss. Praise that as doctors have done many scans to investigate the cause, they have found no cancers or other concerning potential causes!
- **Pray for divine appointments** as we seek to **meet and share with people** from the Beloved Country, every day, but specifically **every other Wednesday.**

### Our Family

- ***Anna started homeschooling,*** which is a huge change for her and the family!
- ***John is using his tech skills to support translation projects of the Word in the dialect next door.*** He is helping them to be ***accessible online in secure ways to seekers without them risking being caught*** or tricked by authorities looking to capture them.
- Please lift up local friendships. ***We have friends in the midst of some serious crises and family problems.*** We need so much wisdom to as we walk with them -- ***to respond in a culturally appropriate way, pointing them to Jesus as we do it.***

- H has a fairly ***new local believer*** friend he is walking with who is facing a ***tough moral life decision right now that will affect his family and himself for the rest of his life.*** We need God moving in him and doing the teaching and guiding -- we are outsiders and while we have strong feelings about what is right for this brother, can't speak into things we have no life experience with and be heard well. ***We ask that the Spirit uses the Word to guide this dear brother*** into what is best for him and his family's futures.