



Lent Letter 2022

24th February 2022

Dear Friends

Greetings for a truly blessed time of Lent, as we prepare for Easter celebration. As you consider what you can give up, please consider who you can give to...



The cloud of Covid has been challenging and, for many, difficult and painful. But there are also silver linings. Through Lockdown I have met a whole new family. Zohaib was my first online friend. A 20 year old student from Pakistan, and a keen Christian, Zohaib courageously serves Jesus despite living in an oppressive Islamic regime. Zohaib was then joined by Meerab, Farzana, Saoud and Daniel, also from Pakistan, Pastor Kevin from Kenya, Nathaniel from the Philippines, Pastor Juma from Uganda and Lewis from South Africa, our 'Mother Hen Family' (MHF) was born. 'Mother' as I was already 'Momma' to the group, 'Hen' a childhood nickname, and because I love Jesus' reference to a mother hen lovingly protecting her chicks. (Luke 13:34.)

Our objective is to grow in faith and love for others, sharing encouragement via two online groups. 'We love because He first loved us' 1 John 4:19. It impresses me that, despite their own needs, the MH family reach out to serve others, living out the good news of Jesus and His amazing love.

Saoud, who visits remote Christian villagers to lead worship, asked me for teaching support. So, through Pakistan supporter Samuel Masheikh, we supplied Urdu Bibles and I also began to write illustrated Bible notes, with activities, which we use to teach live through WhatsApp. The Teaching Notes are also used by Pastor Kevin in his orphanage; Pastor Juma in his churches and refuge for abused girls; Nathaniel teaching poor village children; and Lewis in his Sunday School – God has blessed us!

Spiritual support for the family is our foundation, but the need for financial assistance has also grown. To realise this, Chris and I are working to form a charity: Mother Hen Foundation. This will provide funds direct to family members and their ministries – bank to bank, avoiding large charity overheads. We are committed to using the funds for the education, health and nutritional needs of the very poorest.

Thanks to our trustees, and supporters. Please give to Mother Hen Foundation for ongoing work via our temporary Bank Account with thanks. c/o HM Morris Chair of Trustees

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