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The above logo is, in Arabic, "Jesus is the Light of the World."

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Shoulder, Corona, Prayer

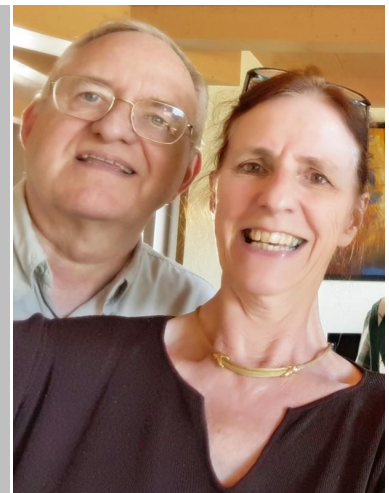
Here we are in France, giving you a much needed update as you pray for Evey and myself, Don. We have had 90 deaths in France from the COVID19 virus, or commonly called the Corona Virus. All schools are closed, churches are closed, no gatherings of people over 50 gathering allowed, all shops are shuttered, and just gas stations, drug stores and supermarkets are still open—probably the culturally mandatory bakery for the morning baguette as well. We can't congregate with Muslims or other people groups.

The French cheek-to-cheek kiss is out, no hugs and just wash your hands is the way to go and to stay indoors. Flights out of and into France are under lockdown, giving priority to Americans who fly to the USA. Evey saw one lady buying 30 one kg bags of flour in a supermarket, depleting the supply. One hapless woman asked the lady if she could have one of the bags of flour, and a strong and gruff NO was the answer. No schools, no universities, preachers are preaching on line as they stand in their empty church buildings. We are fine, living somewhat remotely from the big cities to our version of "in the sticks".

Thank you, each supporter, who has made my travels as a spiritual father possible by your financial generosity. Each month is a miracle to see support from our dearly committed donor friends, without which we could not minister for one single month. Really.

God's unfailing love,

Don and Evey





Meanwhile, Don the chauffeur, is the only one in the house who can drive, as Evey's shoulder is nicely healing up as she carts her side pillow along, strapped to her arm and neck. She is such a point of light and conversation and just so in love with people. She is so trusted by various cultures amazingly.

But again, outreach and meetings are curtailed. My plans for a conference in Malaga, Spain is probably not on, being March 30th, two days after my birthday. But be reassured that this is not because of my birthday;)

I have plans to fly to Morocco to strengthen a team there—airspace closed. Evey will probably fly to Tunisia to work some weeks with a battered women's group—airspace closed. Don has invites to work with Muslim evangelism in Belgium--border closed. Nobody wants to take a cruise or make vacation plans to countries with mediocre health care. But Internet, Zoom, paying bills, reaching out to people so beloved like yourselves continues on.

I leave you with a new insight that really stirred up this thick headed warrior. Someone said that if you don't pray, it is a sign that you don't really trust God in your life. That hit me hard just today. Not just because of the Virus, but daily prayer. Prayer is trust. Not praying is living life like a Muslim who believes everything that happens, good or evil, right or wrong choices, are just the will of God—nice way of painting God out of your life. He either commands your future or He doesn't. He either creates life where there was no hope, or we call it all Sovereign and the "will of God" when He wishes to create better. My little word is directed mostly at myself.

Love you - don't be hemmed in by fear. Fear is not of God, but reasonable caution is the right way to play out our part in this pandemic.

Love to you all.

"Jamaat" is Arabic for Disciple Making Communities

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