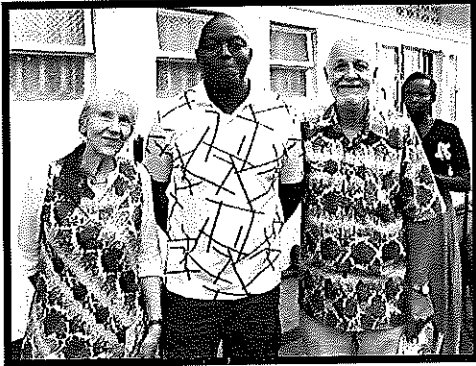




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**“A man's heart plans his way, But the Lord directs his steps.”
Proverbs 16:9 NKJV**

Greetings in His grace and love today! So everyone who receives our Prayer Letters will have ample opportunity to access this information, this month we repeat some of what we wrote last month about our current changes and plans: We believe that it's time for us to be home and now based in the USA. **We have no plans to retire from missions, nor from ministry, at this time but we want you to know about the upcoming changes in our lives and ministries.** Jim will be 66 in August 2020 and we hope and plan that he will continue in ministry with expected international travel to teach and preach, especially in pastoral training and church planting in Africa and to other places perhaps 4 or 5 times a year, as God allows. Other future ministry possibilities that we foresee include:

- ◆ We would continue ministry in conjunction with the NGO (nongovernmental organization) we founded in 2015 and directed in Uganda until 2020. Mission East Africa (Uganda) has been handed over to Ugandan ministers who plan to continue it (post Covid-19).
- ◆ We plan to continue our components focusing on evangelism and discipleship in the context of: Pastoral Development, Church Planting, Street Kid Outreach, Children's Ministry, HIV+ Outreach, Prison Ministry, and Itinerant Preaching/Teaching (including Radio Sermons), Bible and Literature Distribution as God leads.
- ◆ There is present ministry continuing in Uganda in street kid work, scripture distribution and in Jim's radio sermons with Africa Bible University in Kampala which their station, Africa Bible College Radio, airs on Sunday mornings (Covid-19 has greatly affected the ministry in churches in Uganda which are temporarily closed like those here in the USA).
- ◆ We are currently sending funds to trusted African friends during this pandemic for food relief for pastors, their families and needy others. We would like to continue this as long as needed and possible.
- ◆ We foresee further Bible distribution meetings, including Bible distributions coupled with pastoral development meetings.
- ◆ Jim also plans to take ministers from the USA or from African countries with him as he travels to African and other countries for teaching meetings as possible.
- ◆ Jim may possibly lead short-term teams.
- ◆ We plan a continued ministry focus on Muslim countries and unreached peoples in Africa and other areas of the world.
- ◆ Jim would continue itinerant ministry and we would like to speak in the churches in America to encourage missions.
- ◆ Jim is considering a possible church planting and pastoral ministry in the USA (perhaps in the context of an African-American area or in an area with unreached Native Americans).
- ◆ We will continue a ministry focus on prayer.

Not retiring but re-firing, in God's plan!

Our mission, CTEN (Commission To Every Nation), is in agreement with us about these plans and agrees with us that as we transition back to the USA we are also rebasing for continued ministry in the form the Lord shapes it to be. We have been told and hope that in the Lord's plan this may well mean an expansion of our present ministry.

We appreciate your heart to help us for these many years and we ask that you prayerfully consider continuing with us in this new phase of our work, as the Lord wills. What a great adventure it has been with you in the Lord's service. We want to serve the Lord faithfully and trust that He will guide you in your prayer and decisions. If we reach a point in which we do not continue in our present ministries we will quickly inform you. **Please continue to pray for us and to give to our work as our Lord leads you. Please continue to send your gifts for us to CTEN. Thank you and may God bless you friend!**

**In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us
and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

KAPPY'S CORNER—Loving Your Neighbor

At the beginning of our coronavirus isolation I asked the Lord, "How do I love my neighbor?" My thought was that I couldn't do much hands-on helping, which is my nature to do, since I was confined with few resources at hand. I was expecting some practical suggestions. Jim and I live in a temporary place—a very nice, clean, comfortable, temporary place with God-provided necessities—but without our things. At the moment, some of our things are on the other side of the world and some of our things are on the other side of this country.

Along with necessities, what we have in this temporary place is a television. In all the years of our marriage, Jim and I have never owned a television. But the Lord has arranged it many times that we are in a place with access to one when a major event happens—including 9.11. I was walking for exercise in a mall early that morning and stopped in front of a closed television store where I, along with several other people, saw the whole thing through the window on multiple screens. That was an example of destruction and murder for a cause or ideology. That was nearly nineteen years ago. Today we can turn on the television and see destruction and murder again, but this is nothing new. It began in the Garden of Eden when Adam and Eve fell.

This morning Jim marveled that God has put up with us sinful human beings all this time. I've wondered the same thing. We humans are so corrupt, why hasn't He—the Perfect, Holy, Righteous Creator—just annihilated us? He could. God could sovereignly use this coronavirus pandemic to wipe out the whole human race, but He hasn't. Human efforts are one way God is keeping this pandemic under control, but ultimately it is God and God alone who is restraining the spread and deaths. Why is God restraining this virus? The answer is love—perfect, complete, merciful, and in many cases unrequited, love.

When I asked the Lord "how do I love my neighbor", what I got was direction to keep studying the Bible from cover to cover. How do I begin to express the love that fills God's Book? Every page reflects His compassion, His mercy, His correction, His patience, His refining, His faithfulness...the love He has for His creation. And He has given us His love so we can love Him and each other through Jesus Christ His Son. How do I love my neighbor? How do I love those who hate me for the color of my skin or for the love I have for Jesus? With the help of the Holy Spirit I love my neighbor as God loves me; I love my neighbor as myself. We pray for those who hate us—we pray for those who murder and destroy—that they will know the love of God and come to love Him.

And there's so much more to learn about God's love, we'll be learning for the rest of our days and beyond.

Sincere love and thanks to you in our
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