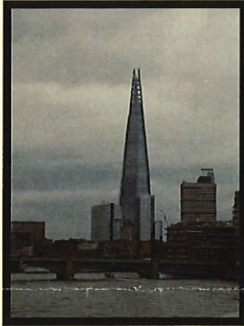


“Will You not revive us again, That Your people may rejoice in You?” Psalm 85:6 NKJV

Friends: May the Lord Jesus Christ bless you and yours in this month of June 2023! God has stirred us to seek Him for revival, reformation and times of refreshing from the Lord for His church worldwide after my ministry and visits overseas! Here is a brief summary of the ministry time:



England, Wales, Rwanda Ministry

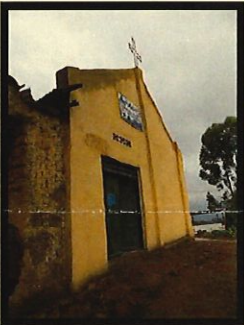
Last month and early this month, by the Lord’s grace, He opened a wider door for evangelism in London than I had anticipated; I was there enroute to South Wales and then on to Rwanda in E. Africa. While visiting historic churches and sites in London, there were many opportunities to share the good news with friendly people. A very wide door opened to bring the gospel to an Indian man named Deb and a woman named Safa, amongst others--please pray for their conversions. At left in the top photos is London.



In Wales I was treated like ‘a king’ by old and new friends, and thoroughly enjoyed the warm and hospitable visits. The ministry at Baglan Community Church was blessed; how the church has grown since Kappy and I were there in 2007! Pictured are friends: Lorna Jeffery and David and Linda Reese and Pastor Neil and Hannah Talamy. We had an especially sweet time together on the Lord’s Day! Pray for the dear saints I was blessed to meet in South Wales. Pray for God’s reviving influences for the churches and for conversions to the Lord there.



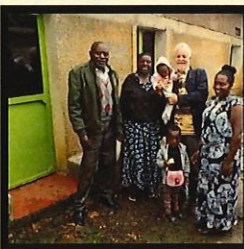
In Rwanda I was blessed to visit old friends and co-workers Pastor Augustin Urwishumukundo and Pastor Vianney Iyakaremye (Augustin is seen with his family and Vianney is on the bike); I enjoyed our visits to churches that we worked together in planting. Pictured is Cyabingo Church which I visited amongst others. The men have worked hard with area pastors since 2012 when we trained and taught there and have planted 78 churches with 4200 attending these and 2758 bap-



tisms. In 2018 it’s thought that perhaps as many as 8000 of the then 15,000 churches in Rwanda were closed by the government because the meeting places did not meet the new government infrastructure standards. Some of the churches our team had helped plant failed then. The poor people didn’t have the resources to build according to the challenging codes. Government Covid 19 restrictions (long, frequent lockdowns) also caused church closures. We resolved together to try to restore the churches which failed, as God allows, so the men received a motorcycle from our ministry for the frequent mountain trips that church planting there requires. Pray we can restore these churches; the pastors have been trained by Vianney and Augustin. While I was there pastors/leaders, who had completed a several years long pastoral development course of study, graduated (see the photo). I was encouraged that this pastor’s school which we had encouraged the men to start in 2012 has graduated 84 students since



then. I enjoyed warm visits, very encouraging times, with the Christians and churches I visited in Rwanda. One minister said Rwanda is not experiencing revival but things are going along very well for the churches. Pray for revival for the churches there, please. There were heavy rains which resulted in hundreds of deaths in the area while I was there. Please pray for the spiritual and physical growth of the churches and for God’s grace for the workers. Pray for His mercies for the many families affected by the rains.



“Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down! That the mountains might shake at Your presence—”

Isaiah 64:1 NKJV



KAPPY'S CORNER—Circles

I was going through some old things when I came across a small piece of paper with a circle drawn on it. In the middle of the circle was a dot. In my mother's handwriting under the drawing are my words: "I draw eye." Thanks to my mother's careful saving, I still have that and many other things I drew or painted during my childhood.

I think circles were one of the first things I saw as a child. The things that come to mind are: my mother's eyes, circles in the water, sand dollars, and my grandmother's pan lids that I banged and clanged and dented!

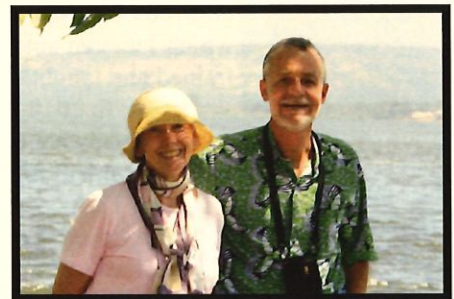
As I grew a little older, I would see the tide go out every day in our little bay, and watch with fascination as the water always returned. There was something curious about the tides—they changed. Sometimes the tide would hardly go out at all. At other times, the water would shrink so much that there was nothing but a river left in the middle of the bay. I didn't know yet that the Lord created the moon to control the tides.

Jim and I have been enjoying the book of Ecclesiastes in our devotions together. In chapter 3, Solomon writes: "To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven." We are now approaching the beginning of the summer season. After summer will come fall, then winter, then spring, and summer will come again. As long as this present creation remains, the circle of life continues.

Life's many changes point me to my unchanging Maker, the One who controls all of creation—the One who controls the changes. In God's perfect design, the change He brings into our lives is for our good, and ultimately for His glory. In His perfect design everything comes full circle. One day all of the prophecies will be fulfilled. The old world will come to an end and something new and eternally perfect and good will begin. Those of us who love Jesus will be forever in the presence of the Eternal God. What a day that will be!

May our Lord bless you in His kindness; with love and thanks,

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