

Hot off The Press

News from Peter and Kay Goodchild at
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Hi from me here in South Africa, and from Kay in England. Forgive us going on about it but it's the 1st time we've been separated for so long for nearly 48 years of married life. But my kitchen survival skills are proving good and the grandma duties back home are well practised. Our latest grand daughter was welcomed into the world 18th Nov. and Christmas holidays will

be a happy reunion. As spring tends towards summer here, the temperatures are rising. It's 29 degrees in the shade; the thought of Christmas holidays and singing carols seems surreal. Think I will never get used to that.

These last 4 weeks I've been busy speaking at different locations, including visiting a prison with the EP course to share the Good News of Jesus with the inmates, several of whom have become His disciples since their incarceration. It's always encouraging to meet people who have had their lives dramatically changed by God's power. One 'brother', who seems to lead the band of believers behind bars, is excited as he anticipates his release in less than a month's time. He is eager to find a proper church, not one with fake teachings where the 'pastor' takes all the money, but where people want "the truth of God's Bible for living and really love each other as God wants it." I was speaking only last week on Romans 1:16-17 where Paul says: "I'm not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work saving everyone who believes. It tells us how God makes us right in His sight... all by faith." These 'captive' audiences just believe it. Sometimes it takes hitting rock bottom to start being real about life.



The journey to church can be 'interesting' especially after heavy rains and the occasional road-block that you must watch out for.

Amidst many quirky and fake churches, it's good to be finding a genuine hunger for Truth, especially among church leaders. I've visited 3 churches where the appetite for truth is palpable, and appreciation is full on.

In recent weeks, I've spent time weekly with a good brother who holds an equal passion for the Truth of God's Word and a strong desire to teach people. He pastors a church 65 miles away and oversees younger leaders. He first encountered EP as a teenager living in Zimbabwe and is becoming a closer friend to our mission. I was able to introduce him to the board recently, and he and I are praying together about his possible future with Emmanuel Press. I see his strong desire to bring the truth of God's written Word to leaders, churches, schools, youth groups, prisons and more.

Last Sunday I was in The Kruger Park again, meeting with the believers there. It's always a treat, especially if you get good wildlife sightings, but I am usually more focused on reaching the venue, sharing with the believers then heading for the gates.

I'm now counting the days to be reunited with my best friend and I'm very grateful to a dear friend who's willing to meet my 5.30am LHR arrival on a train-strike day. Kay and I are home together for almost three weeks before we embark on a 3-month chapter that holds lots of decisions, changes and, hopefully, appointments. There are practical challenges surrounding our thoughts and plans, so I am asking that you pray we have faith for God's perfect will as we step into 2023.

THANK YOU so much for your loving support, your gifts as God's provision for us and your prayer on our behalf to help us succeed for the cause of Jesus Christ. As Paul says: In Him we live and move and exist... and again from Romans (11:36) For everything comes from HIM and exists by HIS power and is intended for HIS glory. (that includes you and me.).

With our love, as we step carefully and confidently from 2022 into the new year.

Peter & Kay



With pastor Daniel and his wife after preaching at their church the other Sunday.